

TURQUOISE DREAM

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FADE IN:

EXT. TURQUOISE BEACH - EVENING

The sky is tinted in swirling shades of orange.

The clouds drift apart slowly to unveil the secluded surroundings.

NOCTURNE (26) finds herself in the midst of a turquoise seashore. Awestruck by the serene beauty of it all, she wanders through the beach alone without a soul in sight.

Something half buried in the sand seems to shimmer and reflect an almost blinding light over Nocturne's eyes. She shields them with her right hand and closes in to take a look at the object.

Upon close inspection, she realizes it's a golden case that holds a film reel. As soon as she opens it, the reel casts a glowing light upwards which creates a giant veil of projection. She drops the case and backs up in disbelief of the visions transpiring before her eyes.

Nocturne unearths fragments of past lives spent with her eternal soulmate, **SOLEIL (33)**. She witnesses their incarnations through the eras.

MONTAGE

REVEAL: **QUEEN & GARDIENNE** in Mughal Era {1700s}.

REVEAL: **CAPTAIN & SAILOR** in Voyage Era {1800s}.

REVEAL: **FLAPPER & DAPPER** in Jazz Era {1900s}.

REVEAL: **SOL & NOC** in Space Era {3000s}.

As the projection plays out to the end, the glow still remains opening a paradise portal through which a shimmering figure emerges out of the threshold. Before she knows it, Nocturne realizes that it is her eternal soulmate approaching.

Each step Soleil takes forward, she embodies all of her incarnations that metamorphose and shimmer through one by one until the modern Soleil of 2000s in the flesh comes to the fore.

Nocturne freezes in place in utter shock. She is forced to turn her gaze at her own self as she feels her body metamorphosing into all of her incarnations in a similar fashion through the eras until she is whole.

Soleil smiles and stretches her arms out to Nocturne.

Nocturne's eyes well up with tears contemplating the depth of all her unfulfilled dreams of unconditional love that all of a sudden seem possible in that very instant.

Not wasting another second, Nocturne runs to her one true Soleil. But she falters as they inch closer to their embrace. Soleil rushes to catch Nocturne before they both fall to the sandy grounds coming into contact for the first time in this era, and holding each other tight.

Suddenly, the shore comes under attack. The portal closes.

As fate would have it, Soleil takes Nocturne by the hand and makes a run for it.

They duck and dodge the attacks surrounding them like bombs bursting in the sand creating showers of sand dust. They find a boulder to crouch behind while Soleil holds Nocturne close to her heart shielding her ears from all the explosions transpiring around them.

Desperate for an escape, a hot air balloon comes into view.

Nocturne and Soleil brace themselves holding each other's hand and decide to go for it. They somehow manage to make it to the balloon, untie the ropes, and jump right in taking flight into the sunset.

INT/EXT. HOT AIR BALLOON - DUSK

Nocturne takes refuge once again in Soleil's arms crouching down to not get spotted.

A long moment passes up in the air with the setting sun while they remain in each other's embrace until the coast seems to be clear.

Nocturne looks up deep into Soleil's hazel eyes. Their lips ready to meet in an ardent kiss. The dusky sky turns into a grayer shade. They inch closer to each other's lips.

Out of the blue, Soleil evaporates into smoke and fades away consumed by the shadows until there's only Nocturne left all alone.

The balloon begins to slowly disappear beneath her feet and before she knows it, Nocturne begins to fall from the sky headfirst.

FADE TO BLACK.