

# GWYNETH THE GRINCH

Superstar is one **MEAN,**  
**NASTY** witch on the set - SAY  
INSIDERS

**G**WYNETH PALTROW is "the movie star from hell," charge co-workers on the set of her new film *A View From the Top*.

"She's a nightmare to work with - a mean, nasty person," a source tells **GLOBE**. "On the first day of shooting, the director told us, 'Ms. Paltrow doesn't like to be looked at, keep your eyes off her.'"

"I had expected her to be a prima donna, but I was totally surprised to learn what a hateful person she is. She goes out of her way to make people feel uncomfortable. You'd think a big Oscar-winning star like her would be more secure, but she's always afraid another actress will upstage her."

Paltrow, say sources, insisted on having all the female extras in the comedy - about a small-town girl determined to become a flight attendant - paraded in front of her so she could inspect them one by one.

"The director had chosen extras who look like would-be stewardesses," says the source. "Most were young and average looking. Gwyneth studied each one and had no objections at first.

"But one was really cute and had straight blond hair. When she saw her, she had a fit. She screamed, 'No! Absolutely not. That one goes! I'm the star. I'm the only one with long blond hair around here.'"

"The extra was told to leave, and I

could see the poor girl was crushed. Tears were flowing down her cheeks as she walked out.

"Another girl, who was playing a stripper and wearing a skimpy outfit, also started crying when Gwyneth snapped, 'Do you REALLY think that looks good?'"



Gwyneth (right) on the set of her new movie with co-star Christina Applegate

While Paltrow, 29, was friendly toward co-stars Christina Applegate, Mike Myers, Rob Lowe and Candice Bergen, she was hell on wheels to everyone else, including the director, say insiders.

"In one scene, she had to wear 6-inch high heels as she gets off a plane and runs into the terminal," the source explains. "She was having trouble walking in them and got frustrated. When she was asked to do another take, she blew up, threw the shoes and screamed at the director, 'You wear the #S@%& heels!'"

When Paltrow was accidentally given the wrong outfit to wear, she flatly refused to change.

"Please!" the director pleaded with her, says the source. "The set is ready and I have 50 extras waiting. We need you to change."

But she wouldn't do it and shooting was canceled for the day.

"I've worked on a lot of movies," says the source.

"But I've never seen a star refuse to change out of a simple jeans and T-shirt outfit, forcing the production to lose a whole day."

- ROBIN MIZRAHI