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TEASER**SC. 1 - EXT. MANEHATTAN TRAIN STATION – AFTERNOON**

When RARITY steps off the train in Manehattan, she can barely contain her excitement. She's in a city that's the height of sophistication, elegance and culture. PINKIE PIE exits the train behind her and doesn't even try to contain her excitement. She shoots off her party cannon and dances around.

Rarity admits that she is worried she's going to have trouble picking the perfect spot in a city that's so big. When Pinkie asks her the perfect spot for what? Rarity announces that her boutique in Canterlot has been doing so well, she's decided to open another store in the fashion capital of Equestria – Manehattan! She's eager to start scouring the city for possible locations, but she doesn't know where to start, the whole city is so incredibly amazing. As another train arrives, Pinkie Pie tells her Manehattan's about to get even more incredibly amazing. The train doors open, revealing Pinkie Pie's sister, MAUD. Pinkie Pie fires her party cannon again and dances around the stone-faced Maud.

END TEASER**MAIN TITLES****ACT 1****SC. 2 - EXT. MANEHATTEN STREET – AFTERNOON**

Pinkie Pie can't believe it's already been a year since the last S.S.S.S.D. Rarity's confused. What's that? Maude explains it's Sister Surprise Swap Swan Day. On this date every year, they meet up and exchange gifts while riding the swan boat together in Manehattan's Central Corral Park. When Maud goes to get a postcard for Boulder to send to his family, Rarity confesses to Pinkie Pie that she thinks this is just about the sweetest tradition two sisters could have. Pinkie Pie's glad she feels that way, because she desperately needs Rarity's help.

Since Maud's gifts always blows hers away, this year she's getting Maud the greatest S.S.S.S.D. present in the history of S.S.S.S.D. She's done a ton of research and found a shop that makes hand-stitched ten thousand thread count velvet-lined rock pouches. It'll be perfect for Boulder and more importantly, Maud will LOVE it. The only problem is, she hasn't picked it up yet and the store's located uptown. They need to somehow get Maud uptown, without giving away the surprise. Rarity knows exactly what to do. They'll sight-see AND travel uptown to "check out" possible boutique locations. Once they're near the store, Rarity will distract Maud while Pinkie Pie sneaks out for the pouch. She advises Pinkie Pie to just keep her cool and act low-key. As soon as Maud walks back over, Pinkie Pie is able to keep her cool for exactly three seconds before exploding and telling Maud she's giving her the greatest gift ever!

SC. 3 - EXT. THE STATUE OF PONY LIBERTY - AFTERNOON

Pinkie Pie, Rarity and Maud all stick their heads out of the crown. Rarity can't believe the spectacular view of the city. Isn't it simply breathtaking? Pinkie Pie thinks it's not half as breathtaking as the S.S.S.S.D. gift she got for Maud.

SC. 4 - EXT. MANEHATTEN – BRIDLEWAY ROW – AFTERNOON

As they look at the sign for "Daring Do: The Musical", Rarity thinks Rainbow dash would lose her mind to see this. Pinkie Pie comments, just like Maud's going to lose her mind when she sees the gift she's gotten for her.

SC. 5 – EXT. ROCKAFILLY CENTER – ICE RINK – AFTERNOON

Pinkie Pie pushes Maud around the ice rink. As Rarity's about to speak, Pinkie Pie cuts her off. Whatever she was about to say isn't nearly as good as the present she got Maud. Maud dry comments that she's sure Pinkie Pie will be pleased with her gift as well. As Maud skates off, Pinkie Pie's in a panic. Maud's never bragged about a gift like this before. Her gift for Pinkie Pie must be INCREDIBLE. Pinkie Pie's so relieved she's getting the pouch for Maud.

When Maud skates back over and asks if they can visit a café downtown in the Village that she head has a nice sidewalk, a panicking Pinkie Pie doesn't know what to do. She spurts and sputters. Rarity comes to the rescue and covers for her. She just "remembered" she has an appointment uptown to view a potential location for her shop. Rarity winks to Pinkie Pie, who assumes she has something in her eye.

SC. 6 - INT. STOREFRONT - AFTERNOON

Rarity dashes in and tells the confused Realtor that she's sorry she's late for their "appointment." Rarity inspects the empty store and asks Pinkie Pie and Maud for their opinions. Pinkie Pie races around the space saying how Rarity should sign the lease immediately, if not sooner. Maud dryly comments, "It's fine." Rarity doesn't know how to interpret this. She quickly spins it into meaning the space doesn't have enough natural light. Rarity wholeheartedly agrees with Maud and thanks her for her insightful opinion.

SC. 7 - INT. THE GALOPING GOURMET RESTAURANT – AFTERNOON

Pinkie Pie, Rarity and Maud are on a roof top deck in a five horseshoe restaurant. Rarity is clearly at home and feels like she could get used to eating at places like this. The only problem is their menu is so extensive and everything looks so good. Rarity has no idea what to order. Maybe Pinkie Pie can help her. Hiding them both behind the giant menu, Rarity tells Pinkie Pie the pouch store is just a block away. She'll stay here and distract Maud, while Pinkie Pie runs out to pick up the pouch. Pinkie Pie excuses herself to wash her hooves. Unseen by Maud, Pinkie Pie races out of the restaurant.

SC. 8 – INT. EMPTY LOT – AFTERNOON

An exuberant Pinkie Pie races into a completely empty lot. As she watches a tumble weed roll by, she declares this must be the greatest themed pouch store ever! They really nailed the whole "empty lot look." As Pinkie Pie searches for a bell to ring or a number to take, a POLICE PONY walks by on patrol. He tells her it's not safe to play in an empty lot. When Pinkie Pie insists it's a themed pouch store, the Police Pony breaks it to her that the pouch store closed years ago. A panicked Pinkie Pie realizes that not only doesn't she have the greatest present in the history of S.S.S.S.D. – she now has no S.S.S.S.D. present for her sister at all!

Off of her panicked expression...

END ACT 1**ACT 2****SC. 9 – INT. THE GALLOPING GOURMET RESTAURANT – AFTERNOON**

Back at lunch with Maud, Rarity is covering for Pinkie Pie's long absence. A crestfallen Pinkie Pie slowly bounces in. Rarity quickly asks the waiter to bring them the Super-deluxe Two Mile High Hot Fudge sundae. The waiter instantly places a huge mountain of a sundae on the table, completely blocking Rarity and Pinkie Pie from Maud once again. Pinkie Pie sadly admits the store is gone – along with any hope of getting the perfect present for her sister. A comforting Rarity assures her not to worry and vows to help. They're in Manehattan after-all. They're bound to find something Maud likes – and maybe it'll be even better than the pouch. Pinkie Pie immediately brightens up and then eats the sundae in one big gulp – revealing Maud dripping hot fudge onto Boulder. Maud: (DRYLY) "He's a chocoholic."

SC. 10 – INT. TOY STORE – AFTERNOON

In the crowded toy store, Rarity notices Maud looking at giant stuffed animal giraffe. Rarity, thinking she found a potential gift for Pinkie Pie to give her sister, excitedly asks Maud if she could see herself with the giant giraffe. Maud dryly replies, only if she had a mirror and walks off. In the background, Pinkie Pie dances on giant piano keys, a la “Big”.

SC. 11 – INT. TIFF-WHINNIES JEWELRY STORE – AFTERNOON

Rarity, now dressed like Audrey Hepburn from “Breakfast at Tiffany's”, glides into the jewelry store. She points out all of the marvelous “rocks” (diamonds, sapphires, rubies, etc.) to Maud, hoping Maud will see one she responds to. Unfortunately, Maud thinks they’re all too “showy.” Pinkie Pie bounces over covered head-to-hoof in diamonds. What do they think? She’s so sparkly, Rarity and Maud can’t even look at her. It’s like looking into the sun.

SC. 12 – EXT. STREET – AFTERNOON

As Maud walks past a line of street vendors, Pinkie Pie and Rarity hold up various objects (belts, hats, fake Rolex watches, etc.) trying to gauge her interest. Nothing sparks more than a cursory glance from Maud. Rarity grabs a big umbrella from a vendor and opens it, blocking them from Maud. Rarity is beyond frustrated and almost ready to give up. Maud is simply impossible to shop for. There’s nothing she really needs or wants.

Just then, they hear Maud calling for Boulder. Where could he have gone? If only she had something to could carry him around in, maybe he wouldn’t wander off so much. As Maud walks off in search of Boulder, Pinkie Pie vents that the pouch would have been the perfect gift! She knows her sister would have loved it. The pouch was double stitched, with a red drawstring. Rarity shocks Pinkie Pie by jumping in and continuing to describe the pouch. Pinkie Pie wonders how she could have possibly known what the pouch looks like. Rarity shouts - because she’s looking at it right now! She points to a pony, who’s WEARING THE POUCH! Rarity suggests maybe she could ask him for it. Pinkie Pie tells Maud she needs to wash her hooves again and dashes after the pouch wearing pony.

SC. 13 - EXT. ALLEY - AFTERNOON

Pinkie Pie catches up with the pony. She begs, is there any chance he’d be willing to part with his rock pouch? The pony responds that a pouch like this is tough to come by. Did she know the store that makes them closed down a few years ago? Pinkie Pie dryly admits she’s aware. After pleading with the pony, he tells her that he might be willing to part with it for the right price. Pinkie Pie’s so happy she’s finally going to be able to get her sister the perfect present, she fires off her party cannon in celebration. The pony is instantly taken with her party cannon and makes her an offer – the pouch for the cannon. (DOLLY ZOOM on Pinkie Pie’s face as she takes this in.) Pinkie Pie is wide-eyed. Isn’t there anything else? The pony’s adamant. If she wants the pouch, then she’ll have to give up her party cannon. Pinkie Pie doesn’t know what to do. Her party cannon is her everything.

As she stares longingly at her party cannon..

SC. 14 - INT/EXT MONTAGE OF PINKIE PIE AND HER PARTY CANNON

- Quick hits of Pinkie Pie and her party cannon from past episodes.
- The montage ends with the scene of Pinkie Pie firing off her cannon in front of the pouch pony from seconds before.

SC. 15 - EXT. ALLEY – AFTERNOON

The pony repeats his offer, the pouch for the cannon - and waits for her answer.

Off her hesitation and quivering lip...

END ACT 2

ACT 3**SC. 16 - EXT. ALLEY - AFTERNOON**

Pinkie Pie catches up with Rarity and Maud on the street. As Maud takes pictures of a crack in the sidewalk, Rarity asks Pinkie Pie how it went. Pinkie Pie smiles weakly and responds it couldn't have gone better. Rarity can tell Pinkie Pie's holding something back and encourages her to open up. Pinkie Pie admits that she had to trade her party cannon for the pouch. Rarity's shocked. She can't believe Pinkie Pie would part with something that means so much to her. Pinkie Pie insists the important thing is she finally got Maud the best gift ever. Finally, she and Maud will be even.

SC. 17 - EXT. CENTRAL CORRAL PARK – POND – AFTERNOON

While in a swan boat in the pond, Pinkie Pie and Maud exchange their S.S.S.S.D. gifts. When Maud unwraps her gift and sees the pouch, even though her expression doesn't change in the slightest, Pinkie Pie can tell she's overjoyed. She yells to Rarity, who's on shore sunbathing, that her sister LOVES it – just like she knew she would. Maud gives Pinkie her gift. Pinkie Pie opens Maud's gift and is super-excited, even though she doesn't quite know what it is. It's just a box filled with little bits of paper. Maud explains it's confetti made from paper from the bark of the Tree of Harmony. She knew it would be perfect for *Pinkie Pie's party cannon*. Pinkie Pie is truly touched. Maud really is the most thoughtful sister in the world.

SC. 18 - EXT. CENTRAL CORRAL PARK – LATE AFTERNOON

Rarity and Maud are buying food from a vendor. Rarity is so glad Maud likes her present from Pinkie Pie – especially considering what her sister had to give up for it. Rarity instantly realizes she's said too much and tries to back track. But when Maud sees Pinkie Pie running around happily throwing the confetti in the air, she gets suspicious and presses Rarity. Why isn't she using her party cannon? Rarity confesses Pinkie Pie felt badly because she never gives Maud gifts as good as Maud gives her. That's why, when she had the chance to finally get her the BEST gift, she was willing to give up her party cannon for it.

With a head full of steam, Maud calls Pinkie Pie over. She explains to Pinkie Pie that gift giving isn't a competition – it's an expression of love. And no gift, including the best rock pouch in the world, is worth sacrificing any of her sister's happiness. Maud vows they're getting that party cannon back. Now.

SC. 19 - EXT. ALLEY – LATE AFTERNOON

As the pouch pony walks down the street whistling, he sees an intimidating shadow on the wall behind him. Suddenly, two more shadows appear. He hurries his pace and turns down an alley – where he's greeted by Maud, flanked by Pinkie Pie and Rarity. Maud holds out the rock pouch and in a steely voice, tells the pony they'll be taking back that party cannon.

Off of his quivering lip...

SC. 20 - EXT. STREET – AFTERNOON

Pinkie Pie is firing her party cannon non-stop, as she walks with Rarity and Maud. Rarity is really impressed with how far the Pie sisters are willing to go for each other. Pinkie Pie thinks this might be her favorite S.S.S.S.D. ever! But she can't wait until next year's S.S.S.S.D.W.R. Maud and Rarity are confused until Pinkie Pie explains it's a new tradition - Sister Surprise Swap Swan Day With Rarity. When Rarity starts panicking over what present to get them next year, Pinkie Pie reassures her, that's not what's important. What's important is all of them being together and having fun in Manehattan. Speaking of fun, they still have some time before their trains leave. Rarity asks what they should do. Pinkie Pie/Maud: "Everything."

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SC. 21 - EXT. ALLEY - AFTERNOON

We see a series of snapshots of Pinkie Pie, Rarity and Maud having fun in Manehattan.

-Maud's on stage in a beatnik café doing slam poetry accompanied by Pinkie Pie on the bongos and Rarity on the tambourine.

-Maud and Rarity look impatient as Pinkie Pie happily spins around and around in a subway turnstile.

-Rarity happily stands outside of an empty store front, signing a lease, as Pinkie and Maud are taking down a "For Lease" sign.

-A giant Pinkie Pie is on top of the Empire State Building (a la King Kong) holding Maud in her hoof, while Rarity's in a biplane.

-CLOSE ON: Pinkie Pie and Rarity smiling with Maud between them. They are holding up the corners of Maud's mouth so she appears to be smiling too.

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