

# SYNOPSIS



## The Canary Islands

### Die Kanarischen Inseln

Part I: Life at the Limit

Part II: The World of the Fire Mountains

The Canary Islands -isolated in the Atlantic Ocean off the north-west coast of Africa. Each island is unique with its diversity of terrain and climate - temperate coastlines, scorching deserts, tropical rainforests and frozen, snowcapped mountains. Here are the features of a small continent, supporting one of the richest and most diverse ranges of native species on the planet.

**Part I** Wind and water transported pioneer seeds, insects and animals to the isolated islands. They created and flourished in microclimates like the world's only surviving temperate cloud forests. Animals and plants evolved unique features to survive in these lands. The result is startling encounters with eccentric birds and majestic whales!

**Part II** highlights what it takes to survive in an unforgiving habitat, focusing on the fragile balance of life on the edge, in raw landscapes of spectacular beauty. In the ultimate survival story, a rare lizard species clinging on to one single offshore rock is saved - by baby seagull droppings!



**Awards:** Water, Sea and the Oceans Festival 2017: Water, Sea and the Oceans Festival Award, Ménigoute, International Ornithological Film Festival 2017: Ménigoute, International Ornithological Film Festival Award, Albert International Wildlife Film Festival 2018: Albert International Wildlife Film Festival Award, Festival du Film de l'Oiseau et de la Nature 2018: Festival du Film de l'Oiseau et de la Nature Award, Terres - International Eco & Travel Film Festival 2018: Tourism Communication Award, CMS Vatavaran Festival 2017: CMS Vatavaran Award, Matsalu Nature Film Festival 2017: Matsalu Nature Film Festival Award, Silafest International Festival of Tourist and Ecology Films 2017: Grand Prix, Wildlife Vaasa 2018: Wildlife Vaasa Award, Internationales Bergfilmfestival Domzale 2018: Internationales Bergfilmfestival Domzale Award, ITSA Filmfestival - Back to Nature Film Fest 2017: Best Film, ITSA Filmfestival - Back to Nature Film Fest 2017: Best Film, International Green Culture Festival - Green Fest 2017: Best Nature Film

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**Run-Time:** 2 x 52 min.

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**Format:** 16:9 , 16:9

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