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ENTER THE WORLD OF WHALES

We live in a world of whales. Shot over a sixyear period, 'Whalelands' is a fantastic ocean journey deep into the heart of the whale's world. Be inspired by the most powerful stories of Nature as told by the largest, mightiest beings on our planet.

A frantic chase unfolds in the pristine waters of the South Pacific. A humpback mother protects her calf from a passionate male, and when the pursuit is over, an intimate moment of nursing takes place.

The Vermilion sea reveals one of its best kept secrets as a pod of orca hunts down a school of mobula rays. The complexity of nature's relationships is marvelously depicted when a single humpback whale cooperates with a large pod of common dolphins, bubble nets their secret weapon.

Under a starry sky, krill surface to feed. Unknowingly, they're on the menu of a stealth group of nocturnal predators—flying fish. Most animals have acquaintances but only a few are capable of true friendship. At San Ignacio Lagoon, a mother gray whale brings her calf to be petted.

Moving southward along the western coast of North America, the California Current is an oceanic superhighway for whales and many other migratory species. Speed is the difference between life and death in these waterways.

Northern lights, the natural occurrence where reality and the seemingly unreal collide. Under this mesmerizing night sky, Norway's orcas search for their next meal, their prey standing little chance against their refined hunting methods.

Offshore, far away from any resemblance of land, a fallen tree becomes an oasis for life as a Pacific Ridley turtle is joined by a pod of curious bottlenose dolphins.

In the open ocean, the only refuge is found within family; a pod of common dolphins turn ingenuity into their biggest ally when praying upon a large school of Atlantic mackerel.

Antarctica's humpback population bounces back from the whaling era. Driven by one of the strongest forces in Nature, penguins flee from their deadliest predator, swooshing through the glacial waters of the South Pole.

The cost of the Patagonian sea offers refuge for the prehistoric looking southern right whale. A new mother is forced to choose between her offspring and two hungered orphan calves.

Over the course of any meaningful journey an event will come abruptly, unannounced and utterly unexpected. An experience where solemn reflection will become the only way forward.

A southern right whale lies lifeless at the shoreline. An exposed reef is dyed in iron red and the impact on the world of whales is finally uncovered. The gift of a powerful insight always lies within an experience of absolute truth.

Despite their massive size, blue whales are a rare sight in the vastness of the ocean. A mother and her newborn swim calmly in the turquoise waters of the Gulf of California, the most welcome sight of hope.

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