

NATURE. WILDLIFE

CHILDREN OF THE SUN - WILD BEES & BUTTERFLIES

2 × 52' (ENG), 2× 45' (GER, FRE)

Discover nature's little helpers as they drift from flower to flower, pollinating as they go.

Bees and butterflies play an important role in the pollination of plants and the production of crops for human and animal consumption. The buzzing of the bees and the vibrant colours of butterflies are the staples of the tranquillity and raw beauty of the countryside – a place which beguiles the eyes and calms the soul. But with the hustle and bustle of modern day life, we tend to neglect the microscopic worlds embedded within our own; the symbiotic relationship between their worlds and ours. The film takes a step into their unknown world.

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Schmetterlinge

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1. Wild Bees

Most people associate honey producing insects with the name "BEE". Few realize that there are over 560 different species of bees - most of them live their lives as "busy as a bee," some "abuse" other insects and others are even known to be murderers. The film Children of the Sun - Wild Bees shows the incredible diversity and the stunning adaptations of our "BEES" to various habitats and diverse living conditions.

Fascinating fights, sensational performances, imposing structures and colourful creatures – the world of Wild Bees offers all of this and more.

2. Butterflies

Butterflies are surely the most fancied species of insect. Their beautiful colouring and their graceful flight appeal to everyone. There are close to 4000 types of Butterflies – today many of them are endangered due to the loss of their habitat. What and who is responsible for this loss? Children of the Sun – Butterflies takes you up close and personal to these sun loving beauties and explains why it is crucial for us humans to preserve and provide their habitats. It is our responsibility to ensure the survival of these delicate animals.