

Monk seal: first approach

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Mediterranean monk seal is one of the animal species that are the most threatened by extinction in the world. Observed by human beings until the antiquity, the monk seal's life habits are still enshrouded by mystery. The documentary recounts the experience by some researchers of the Gruppo Foca Monaca (of the Italian WWF) together with SAD, the Turkish organization for marine researches. Using a closed-circuit camera system, powered by a little photovoltaic power station, this team of biologists has been able to control the inner part of a cave used by seals in a uninhabited island of the western Turkey for a whole month. For the first time it has been possible to shoot the nocturnal activities of the seals inside the cave and record their voices without disturbing these animals.







