

The terns of Comacchio

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Duration: 13'
Versions: Format: HD

The lagoon of Comacchio, together with the Po River delta, comprise the largest swamp area in Italy and one of the largest in Europe. Every spring the tiny islands scattered throughout these marshlands are invaded by millions of terns, gulls and other birds. They fight over tiny bits of land that could suddenly be swallowed up by a surge of water. The documentary tells the story of the territorial battles, courting behavior and plight of the newly born, all at a frantic pace in this densely populated bird colony. Here each species has developed its particular strategy for survival in this raucous forced cohabitation.





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