

## The great illusionist

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Produced by: SD Cinematografica

Duration: 13'
Versions: Format: HD

Whenever we think of intelligent animals, monkeys and perhaps dogs immediately come to mind. We don't usually think of the octopus. In this film we pick the humble, common octopus as an example of animal wisdom and shows how wrong we are to underestimate it. Through the collaboration of the Zoological Station in Naples, we learn the our main character is a very cunning individual. It makes up for its lack of natural weapons such as armor, stings or poison, with an extraordinary capacity to adapt to any new situation. It can change color faster than any other animal. 1000 chromatophore cells for every square millimeter of skin permit it to assume any shade of color in a fraction of a second. Its large repertoire of theatrical tricks and optical illusions make it the best magician inhabiting the seas.



