

A king in the refuse pile

Directed by: G. Pancaldi, A. D'Onofrio **Produced by**: SD Cinematografica

Duration: 13'
Versions: Format: HD

The Herring Gull is certainly one of the animals that knows how to best exploit co-habitation with man. Open-air refuse dumps with their limitless food supply have allowed these birds to greatly increase their numbers. But there is a time of the year when the gulls abandon all this to move to wilder, less spoiled areas on the Italian peninsula. During the mating season, they meet in noisy, crowded colonies and compete for tiny spaces on cliffs descending into the sea. Our cameraman, Giancarlo Pancaldi, followed them to the island of Capraia and filmed every phase of their reproductive cycle against an extraordinarily beautiful background.



