## Salt Water People (1992)

Once the rivers and oceans of Canada's Pacific West Coast were teeming with life and the beaches offered up food in abundance. Now this fragile ecosystem is threatened by pollution, logging and the endless demands of a consumer society. In Salt Water People, the aboriginal tribes of the West Coast bear witness to the destruction and describe the battle they wage to protect their land and rights.

Filmed deep within the ocean and along the spectacular mountain coastline of British Columbia, Salt Water People follows the cycle of the seasons as it examines the past, present and future of the West Coast fisheries and the Native tribes who depend on them for survival. By giving voice to the values and traditions of the West Coast First Nations people, the film asks viewers to examine their own attitudes toward the natural world and the exploitation of its resources.

To facilitate classroom use, this video has been divided into three 40-minute parts, describing the past, present and future of the aboriginal tribes of the West Coast.

Also available in French: L'Indien et la Mer

Durée/Runtime : 1h 58 min Langue/Language : English