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DR ANN'S
**SECRET
LIVES**

THINGS ARE ABOUT TO GET WILD!

Wildlife enthusiast Dr Ann Jones guides viewers into the hidden, magical worlds of six elusive animal species.

From encounters with pregnant bull sharks on Australia's Great Barrier Reef to pangolins along Borneo's Kinabatangan River, the ever-curious and down-to-earth Dr Ann teams up with leading conservation scientists to get up close with some of the planet's most fascinating, unpredictable – and often deadly – creatures on the planet.

Dr Ann's Secret Lives visits breathtaking habitats, from dense rainforests to remote coastal regions, uncovering survival strategies and urgent conservation challenges. Each episode spotlights one animal: **bull sharks, sea snakes, orangutans, turtles, dugongs and pangolins.**

Blending Dr Ann's infectious enthusiasm with expert insight, this series uncovers the secrets of how these remarkable creatures adapt, survive, and thrive in their environments.

SEASON 1: 6 X 30'

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EPISODE SYNOPSIS



Episode 1: Bull Sharks

In northern Queensland, nature nerd Dr Ann Jones comes face to face with one of Australia's mightiest predators, the bull shark, and discovers there's much more to them than meets the eye.

Episode 2: Turtles

Nature nerd Dr Ann Jones heads to Rosemary Island in Western Australia to join turtle scientists on their annual nest survey. It's hot work, but worth it - females laying eggs; flatback hatchlings and she even wrestles a Green Turtle.

Episode 3: Orangutans

Battling torrential rain, mud and leeches, Dr Ann Jones heads into the jungle of Borneo to look for a wild orangutan. She's guided by passionate scientists whose research is leading to new understandings of these intelligent and inquisitive creatures.

Episode 4: Dugongs

In Moreton Bay, Queensland, Dr Ann Jones gets in the water with a dugong as part of the world's largest dugong health check, a critical mission to help save the species globally. She learns that many dugong secrets can be found in their poo!

Episode 5: Sea Snakes

Dr Ann Jones joins a team of intrepid scientists on a daring expedition off the Pilbara coast in Western Australia to study one of Australia's most mysterious and lethal predators: sea snakes.

Episode 6: Pangolins

From a remote field centre in the middle of the jungle in Borneo, Dr Ann Jones and a team of scientists search high and low for a mammal as big as a dog and covered in scales. The world's most trafficked animal; the weird and wonderful pangolin.

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★★★★★ 'You'll learn something, you'll be entertained, and there's always the chance someone's going to get bitten: what more can you ask for from nature?'

– Screen Hub

'Educational and fun, as documentary TV is supposed to be'

– Sydney Morning Herald

'The great camerawork, the pure passion of Jones, and the marvellous charisma of the animals make *Secret Lives* a peculiarly life-affirming experience'

– Sydney Morning Herald

'A fascinating deep dive into the secret worlds of animals we rarely get to see, told with curiosity, heart and a healthy dose of adventure'

– Who Magazine



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