

Dinner with

Alastair Fothergill

Wednesday 19th May 2010



Alastair Fothergill (born 10 April 1960 in the United Kingdom) is a producer of nature documentaries for television and cinema. He is the executive producer of the multi-award winning series *The Blue Planet* (2001) and *Planet Earth* (2006) and the co-producer of the associated feature films *Deep Blue* and *Earth*.

Fothergill attended Harrow. He studied zoology at St Cuthbert's Society in the university of Durham and made his first film *On the Okavango*, while still a student. Fothergill joined the BBC Natural History Unit in 1983 working on the *really Wild Show*, *Wildlife on One* and David Attenborough's *The Trials of Life*. He was appointed head of the unit in 1992 during his tenure he produced Attenborough's award-winning series, *Life in the Freezer*.

In June 1988 he stood down as head of the Unit to concentrate on his work on *The Blue Planet*. He has presented several television programmes, including *The Abyss* and is the author of three books.

He was awarded the "Clean Energy Award" by BMW during the Cinema of Peace award ceremony on 11 February 2008.

In 2008, he signed a multi-picture deal with newly-formed DisneyNature, and now spends six months each year on sabbatical from the BBC producing feature documentaries as an independent producer. The first two titles under the DisneyNature deal will be *Big Cats* and *Chimpanzee*, which he is co-directing with Keith Scholey and Mark Linfield respectively. He is also producing a new six part natural History series for the BBC called *The Frozen Planet*, due for completion in 2011. The series will feature the struggles of charismatic animals during a time of rapid climate change in polar regions.

David Attenborough will again narrate.

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