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A Farm Goes Wild

TRT: 9 MINUTES

Derek Gow is a farmer in western England, or at least he was. Now, he's using his decades of experience in conservation to return his land to its original state, as a healthy, biodiverse ecosystem. He's also breeding native species now rare in Britain for reintroduction across the country.



Birds on the Brink

TRT: 10 MINUTES

Humans have introduced new species of plants and animals since they first arrived on the Hawai'iian islands, and these invaders have devastated many local species, including an incredible radiation of birds known as the honeycreepers. Now, counter-measures to mitigate the threats of predators and another invasive species — a mosquito that carries avian malaria — are helping to protect these amazing, endangered birds.



Coral Comeback

TRT: 11 MINUTES

Kira Hughes has witnessed how a warming ocean killed up to 80% of the coral in reefs around Oahu over the past ten years. But she and her colleagues, along with help from the local community, are now breeding the thermally-resistant corals to survive future "bleaching" events—and are already installing them back in the wild.



Gardener to Gaurdian

TRT: 13 MINUTES

Amid collapsing biodiversity worldwide, Mary Reynolds of Ireland is building a movement to turn gardeners into guardians of the planet, by returning our own patch of land to nature and restoring hope that individual action can create lasting change.



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Return of the Manatees

TRT: 16 MINUTES

Today, manatees are experiencing what scientists call a UME — an unusual mortality event — where some 1000 of them are dying each year; a crisis for a population of only 7000. But citizens in the manatee stronghold of Crystal River have pioneered an approach to restore critical seagrass that now shows promise to help the gentle giants throughout their range.



Rewilding Rio

TRT: 15 MINUTES

There's a park in the center of Rio de Janeiro that's five times the size of New York's Central Park, but it boasts only one third of the wild species that used to live in it. Today, there's a group of scientists who are reintroducing wildlife — monkeys, tortoises, rodents called agoutis — and restoring functionality back in the ecosystem.



Seabird Sanctuary

TRT: 11 MINUTES

Petrels and shearwaters are sea birds that spend most of their lives out over the open ocean, but they return to land once a year to breed and raise their young. Conservationists on the island of Maui are safeguarding their rookeries by installing predator-proof fences around them and attracting the birds inside with decoys and audio recordings.



The Serpent's Lair

TRT: 12 MINUTES

In the face of extreme habitat loss, biologist Dr. Chris Jenkins puts an ambitious plan in motion to save two American reptiles, the eastern indigo snake and the gopher tortoise.



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Turtle Trackers

TRT: 11 MINUTES

Three species of sea turtles nesting along the southeast coast of Florida face a range of threats to their survival. Thanks to conservation measures, greens and loggerheads are thriving, but leatherbacks remain at risk. Researchers know little about them, so they're pioneering ways to study them, and safeguard their habitats.



Vertical Meadows

TRT: 8 MINUTES

As urban expansion quickly replaces natural habitats, façade engineer Alistair Law has created a radically new way to restore native ecosystems for pollinators and create natural spaces for us all within cities—by turning the walls of buildings and construction sites into meadows.