



THE AMAZON ON THE BRINK

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SYNOPSIS

When the world's green lungs burn, international experts and politicians take notice. We investigate the unfolding ecological and humanitarian catastrophe wrought by the Amazon rainforest fires in summer 2019.

The images of the burning Amazon rainforests horrified people all over the world in the summer of 2019. Suddenly the threat seemed real – the world's lungs were burning, and politicians, journalists and everyone else agreed that something had to be done. Without the Amazon region, the entire earth is at risk. The Amazon carries more water than any other river and the surrounding area has the greatest biodiversity anywhere in the world. The region is home to many indigenous people whose habitat is now under massive threat. The film reflects on the ecological and humanitarian catastrophe unfolding there and looks for the reasons behind the disastrous handling of this unique ecosystem. We take stock of the situation on the ground, travelling across Brazil to view the crisis...

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