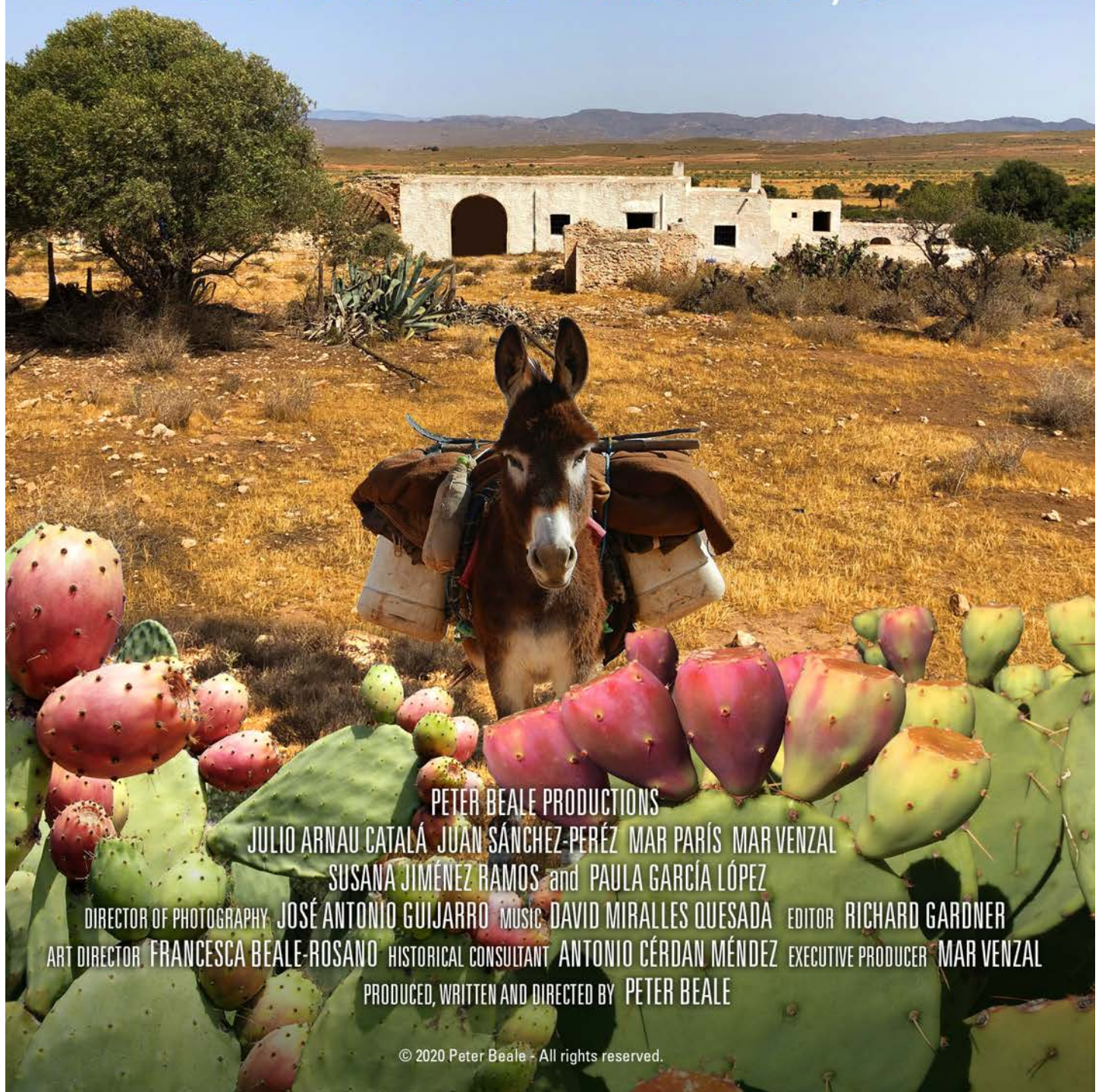


Campos Secretos

"Love the land and it will look after you".



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For over a thousand years, until the early 1960's, hundreds of farming families survived in Almeria, Cabo de Gata, Nijar, Carboneras. This is arid desert countryside, with people living by foraging the natural food that grew, and still grows in the landscape, all year round.

Campos Secretos is a short documentary/drama. A young girl Maria, is time warped back to 1960 to live with a farming family in their modest cortijo. She learns how the people lived and survived in harsh conditions. She discovers over forty different natural foods and how to harvest and cook them.



This farming tradition is a very important part of Andalucía history and culture. Sadly few people remain who lived the demanding lifestyle. The roofs and walls of most of the cortijos that still dot the landscape are collapsing, or they are surrounded by modern agriculture, roads or electric cables.



The production has worked closely with a few of the older survivors to ensure the authenticity of the script and have found a cortijo in original conditions.

The actors and crew are from Almeria. The director, Peter Beale has enjoyed long career in feature films, documentaries and industrial productions.

Campos Secretos will premier in selected film festivals and then be available for distribution, including, natural history museums, schools, tourist centers and television channels. The original sound track is in Spanish with English subtitles. Other language subtitles can be made available upon request.



Cast



ABUELO PACO
Julio Arnau Catalá

Abuelo Paco was born in 1930. His family lived in an isolated hacienda, surviving with basic farming and foraging. His father told him: **"Love the land and it will always look after you"**. After his father's sudden death, 12 year-old Paco had to take over the farm. Now, on his 90th birthday, he is concerned about his grandchildren's fear of the countryside.



MARÍA
Susana Jiménez Ramos

Maria could operate a computer when she was three. She excelled at school, had her great grandmother's singing voice, but she was often angry and unhappy. She felt her-grandfather knew all her secrets, especially her fear of the campo. Why he loved and lived in the campo, she did not understand.



MARÍA'S MOTHER
Mar Venzal

Terry, Maria's mother and grand-daughter to Abuelo Paco, had grown up hearing all the amazing stories about her grandfather. She knows her daughter is special but cannot communicate with her. She is at her wits' end.



ANA
Mar París

Ana was 8 when Paco told her she was to be his wife. Paco always walked her home. Her parents warned her to keep away. "With his father dead, that boy will never be able to manage the farm". Seeing Paco's courage, their friendship grows into admiration and a love that never wains.



PACO
Juan Sánchez-Pérez

Young Paco is fit, strong and full of humour. He deeply loves his wife and is a patient father. He is a natural leader and respected by the local people, who also come to him for cures when doctors fail them.



ISABEL
Paula García López

Isabel is old before her time. She wants to please her amazing parents by learning their tough work ethic. She has no neighbors and no one to play with. The visit of Maria is exciting as she now has a companion who is a little strange, as she knows nothing of the land. Now she has the chance to teach someone else, her way of life



Campos Secretos Foods



Pomegranate



Olives

Blackberries



Collejas



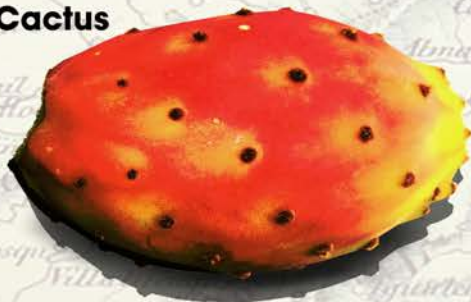
Asparagus



Figs



Cactus



Prickly Pears



Wild Boar



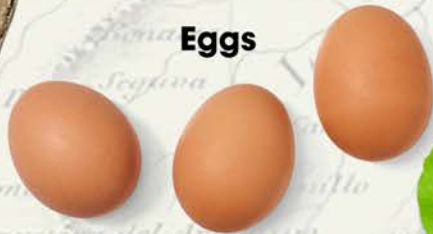
Rabbit



Goat's Cheese



Eggs



Partridge



Algarroba Beans



Chard



Almonds



Peas



Heart of Palm



Capers



Campos Secretos

Producción Team



Peter Beale
Producer/Director/Writer

Peter has many years of experience in feature film production and was instrumental in getting films such as, **Omen Star Wars and Alien made in the UK**



Antonio Cérdan Méndez
Historical Consultant

Antonio was born in a Cabo de Gata Cortijo. His parents taught him how to survive by foraging for the natural food growing in the campo. **His experience ensures an authentic recreation of the life of the campo.**



José Antonio Guijarro
Director of Photography

As president of JagDreams Audiovisual, Mr Guijarro has years of experience across a broad range of documentary and advertising productions. **He founded and is director of a Film Festival in Corto Ciudad de Vera**



Mar Venzal
Executive Producer / Casting

Mar Venzal is a lawyer and a noted singer with her show **Music-Soul and Cinema**. Her legal, business and creative skills will play a key part in the success of the production.



Richard Gardner
Editor/Designer/VFXs

Richard has worked closely with Mr Beale as a creative associate for 16 years. **He was a founding member of the US Documentary Channel.** He is an editor, designer and visual effects director.



David Miralles Quesada
Compositor

David is an accomplished music composer for **film, theater, television and documentaries.**