

Multimedia Library Collection: Environmental Film Profiles (videos)

Septemberweizen [September Wheat]

Krieg, Peter. *Septemberweizen.* [September Wheat] Teldok / ZDF - Kleines Fernsehspiel, 1980. 96 min. https://youtu.be/QJTbkqugA28.

When it was relaunched 26 years after first appearing on German screens, this documentary had lost none of its power where questioning the uses and abuses of food commodities is concerned. Its innovative use of montage in particular remains striking. Thus, the statements of farmers, scientists, traders, and speculators, as well as manufacturers and politicians are assembled to create a comprehensive view of the factors that determined how wheat was cultivated in the United States and how related markets functioned as the 1980s begun. The film takes its title from the wheat futures or contracts used in commodity market transactions, where the contract months include September. (Source: Salzgeber & Co. Medien)

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About the Environmental Film Profiles collection

Further readings:

• Krieg, Peter. Der Mensch stirbt nicht am Brot allein: Vom Weizen zum Brot zum Hunger; Lesebuch zum Film "Septemberweizen." Wuppertal: Peter Hammer, 1981.

Websites linked in this text:

- http://www.salzgeber.de/
- https://www.environmentandsociety.org/multimedia/collection/environmental-films-project