

# Margaret Mead - Tales From The Jungle

Exploring the work of Margaret Mead, this film investigates the 12 months Mead spent with the Samoans in the Twenties.

Her resulting book, *Coming Of Age In Samoa*, had a huge impact on Western culture.

Mead believed cultures like the Samoans could teach people how to live in harmony. Her book depicts a society of free love — devoid of jealousy and teenage turmoil.

But, decades later, her work was criticised as being tainted by her romantic views and strong belief in liberal values.

*Tales From The Jungle* examines whether Mead's study was merely misinterpretation and romantic wishful thinking.

See also: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Derek\\_Freeman](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Derek_Freeman)