

## Alexis de Vilar

Born in Barcelona in 1948, Alexis de Vilar indulged his wanderlust at the age of 16 and began traveling something he has never stopped doing. Over the years, Alexis de Vilar has visited over thirty countries, and has become a specialist in Third World problems, in particular those of Africa and Asia.

Alexis de Vilar has published several books and novels and is currently working on several others. As an international journalist, Alexis de Vilar was the only journalist allowed to enter the Victor Versten prison at Capetown while Nelson Mandela was imprisoned there. Alexis de Vilar was selected by UNESCO to write an official television series for the International Year of the Child, and went on special assignment for National Geographic to write about Spain's Routes of the World. He also founded the Tribal Life Fund in Brussels, an international large-scale effort to preserve the integrity of primitive tribes. In 1992, a well-known publisher labeled Alexis de Vilar the Cousteau of the Earth, as he continues fighting alone for the defense of the last traditional peoples and their supporting ecosystems.

Alexis de Vilar's hauntingly beautiful black and white posters provide a visual footprint of this Renaissance man's exotic 2004 travels in the South Seas, where he visited 27 islands in the Society, Tuamotu and Marquesas archipelagos.

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