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THE SECRET LIFE OF DEER

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So much is known about deer. They are, in fact, the most highly studied mammals in the world. But once they retreat from our passing view, where do they go? When do they sleep? What secrets do they take with them into the forest?

30 million white-tailed deer live in the United States. They have begun to adapt themselves to living in a world of traffic, pets and backyards. In Cayuga Heights, New York, the suburb's residents are trying to get used to this exceptional living arrangement. The deer can be spotted daily from kitchen windows and porches. Life in the suburbs is deer heaven – large areas of grass, no predators and plenty of water means their population is on a steady rise.

In this documentary, white-tailed deer are outfitted with special cameras to take the viewer into their world. 'Deercam' allows us to see them in a new light - not frozen in the headlights of a car or as shy residents of the woods, but as intelligent and affectionate family animals.

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