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## Wim Wenders, Man of the World

*Wim Wenders explores pristine landscapes in his new documentary, "The Salt of the Earth," about the photojournalist Sebastião Salgado. Here, he recalls his own memorable brush with the great outdoors.*



From left: the filmmaker Wim Wenders; a photo by Wenders of the Australian outback. *Credit From left: Donata Wenders; Wim Wenders*

During a trip through the Australian outback, I spent every night under the desert sky. On one particular morning, I woke up at dawn and stumbled out of my sleeping bag in my underwear, eager to photograph the purity of the morning sunlight. After weeks and weeks of sleeping outside, I had problems getting used to hotel rooms again. It got so bad that upon my return to Sydney, I found a hotel with a big balcony so I could drag the mattress out at night. I just couldn't sleep with a roof over me.

*"The Salt of the Earth," co-directed with Juliano Ribeiro Salgado, opens March 27.*