



Name: Jacques Cousteau

Birth Date: 11th June 1910

Birth Place: Gironde, France

Famous for...

Jacques Cousteau was a French ocean explorer, film-maker, and inventor who became famous for bringing the underwater world to the public for the first time. He co-invented the Aqua-Lung, which made modern scuba diving possible. Cousteau is also famous for his documentaries and television series, which showed coral reefs, shipwrecks and the underwater natural world to millions of people.



Academy Award (Oscar) - 3x. Cousteau won multiple Oscars for his documentary films, including "The Silent World" and "World Without Sun"

National Geographic Society Gold Medal 1961 - This honour recognised Cousteau's major contributions to exploration and science communication.

Presidential Medal of Freedom 1985 - One of the highest civilian honours in the United States, recognising Cousteau's lifetime of achievements

Awards and Recognitions

Education



- French Naval Academy
- Trained as Naval Officer and Ocean explorer

Impact Factor...



Jacques Cousteau transformed how people understood the oceans, changing them from mysterious and dangerous places into ecosystems worth protecting. His film-making made the underwater world more accessible to people around the globe and inspired them to take action and explore further.

By using his fame, he raised awareness about threats such as pollution, overfishing and damage to coral reefs.

His tireless work towards ocean conservation inspired entire generations of marine biologists, explorers, and environmentalists. Many modern marine scientists credit his films and expeditions with sparking their interest in the sea.