

### Basic information

Director	Benh Zeitlin
Release date	20th January 2012
Runtime	1 hour and 33 minutes
Writer	Benh Zeitlin
Genres	Drama and Fantasy
Budget	\$1.8 Million £1.4 Million

### Ratings and Reviews

Metacritic	86/100
Rotten Tomatoes	86% 8.2/10
Metecritic User	"Beasts of the Southern Wild is a fantastical, emotionally powerful journey and a strong case of filmmaking that values imagination over money"
New York Times	"Remarkable creation" and "Most diverse film of 2012"

### Awards

2012 Cannes Film Festival	Camera d'or Award	Won
Sundance Festival	Grand Jury Prize	Won
85th Academy Awards	Best Picture	Nominated
23rd Chicago Film Critics Awards	Best Original Score	Nominated

### Summary

Beasts of the Southern Wild is an American independant film directed by Ben Zeitlin starring Quvenzhané Wallis and Dwight Henry.

A little girl named Hushpuppy lives with her father in a bayou outside of Louisiana. Hushpuppy's father falls ill along with the bayou; temperatures rise making the ice caps melt and the beasts called aurochs start to roam around. The rising waters threaten the bayou and the community which sends hushpuppy into searching for her long lost mother.

### Main Cast

Quvenzhané Wallis	Hushpuppy
Dwight Henry	Wink

### Trivia and Context

Quvenzhané Wallis was only 9 years old when filming Beasts of the Southern Wild and was 5 years old when auditioning.

The Father (Dwight Henry) was a baker and had no intentions in acting. But the casting crew wanted him so badly; they never gave up on him.

The film was set in Isle de Charles Doucet but was filmed in Parish Town Montegut.

The staff built the set by hand using the things around the area.

During the film the father (Dwight Henry) got tackled at the hospital when he should not have as he is allowed to by law to refuse medication.



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