A marine biologist says the "main problem" with *Seaspiracy* is the indication that not eating fish will fix the problems caused by industrial fishing.

The new Netflix documentary film *Seaspiracy* has sparked a conversation about damage and negative effects that industrial fisheries have on our oceans and marine life.

Since first airing on March 24, the film has been hugely popular and now features on Netflix's Top 10 watch lists in several countries across the globe.

An experienced marine biologist decided to set some things straight in an article for *Vox*, after watching the Netflix documentary film.

In the *Vox* article, the Marine Biologist Daniel Pauly wrote: "While much progress has been made, far too many people still have no idea of the problems facing the oceans."

Pauly said he initially welcomed the idea of the new show, which focused on "the threat of destructive fisheries".

However, the marine biologist said in his article for *Vox* that "overall *Seaspiracy* does more harm than good."
Pauly said that the documentary film on Netflix takes the serious problem of the devastating effect of industrial fisheries on sea life, before undermining it with a series of false claims.

The marine biologist said that, most significantly, *Seaspiracy* "twists the narrative about ocean destruction to support the idea that we — the Netflix subscribers of the world — can save ocean biodiversity by turning vegan," as reported in *Vox*.

"In doing so", he continued, "*Seaspiracy* undermines its tremendous potential value: to persuade people to work together, and push for change in policy and rules that will rein in an industry which often breaks the law with impunity," *Vox* reported.

Pauly said that his "main problem" with the documentary is that "its makers want us to believe that not eating fish is the central way we should go about fixing the problems that industrial fishing creates for the oceans."

As the marine biologist said in his article for *Vox*: "To opt for vegetarianism and veganism is a very respectable position, and it may (have to) become a majority decision in the coming years, to limit the climate crisis as well."

"But right now", he said, "this is a position that only a small fraction of the population of wealthier countries will take."

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