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David Attenborough goes to Sky for 3D Flying Monsters programme

Attenborough has made a 3D programme about pterosaurs, 200m-year-old flying lizards

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Sir David Attenborough, who is "thrilled" to be part of Sky's 3D channel. Photograph: BBC/Gavin Thurston/BBC NHU

Sir [David Attenborough](#), the face of [BBC](#)'s natural history programming, is fronting a show for Sky's new [3D](#) channel.

Attenborough has written and presented *Flying Monsters 3D*. The film uses new technology to transport viewers back 200 million years, to the time when pterosaurs lived – flying creatures with a wingspan of up to 14 metres.

Flying Monsters 3D will be shown in IMAX and other 3D cinemas, and premiere on Sky 3D this year.

Attenborough – whose *Planet Earth*, filmed in high definition, was a big hit for the BBC – said: "Having learned my television skills in the days of black and white, and been involved with the introduction of colour, I'm thrilled to be part of one of the first 3D television projects.

"3D is a wonderful way of seeing the world as the pterosaurs did, and it's to Sky's credit that they've taken on the challenge to be the first to broadcast in 3D."

Flying Monsters was commissioned by Sky's head of factual and features, Celia Taylor, and will be produced by Anthony Geffen, chief executive of Atlantic Productions.

Attenborough is making a new natural history show with Atlantic for the BBC, details of which have not yet emerged.

[Sky launched its 3D satellite TV service](#) with the Premier League clash between Manchester United and Chelsea in about 1,000 pubs on 4 April and is planning to offer the service to domestic subscribers later this year.

Sky 3D will be initially be available at no extra cost to customers who subscribe to Sky's top TV package and Sky HD pack.

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