

All the Little Animals

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 Christian Bale

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Empire – September 1999 – short review:

“Character study of a brain damaged boy and an animal loving recluse. Dour and distasteful drama... Christian Bale is the best thing in here... With some decent characterisation and scripting, this might have appealed to a certain audience... A meandering, monotonous mess.
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[no listing in "Leonard Maltin's Movie and Video Guide 2001"]

No further information currently available. The title alone is fit to churn any self-respecting stomach. Tentatively included, although its place here hinges on interpretation of the word “boy”. If Christian Bale plays that role (now aged 25) then it would be irrelevant to the archive. Anyone still a “boy” at 25 is in urgent need of hormone treatment.

Bale was superb in the pivotal role of Spielberg’s otherwise disappointing “**EMPIRE OF THE SUN**” (87), but that was not his debut (he made “**ANASTASIA: THE MYSTERY OF ANNA**” for TV the previous year) and his subsequent appearances have fallen short of the promise. Later films included “**THE LAND OF FARAWAY**” (87), “**HENRY V**” (89), “**TREASURE ISLAND**” (90) and “**NEWSIES**” (92).

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