



TALL TIMBER

The world today is the richer by the many thousands of millions of trees planted as a direct result of the influence of one man – Richard St Barbe Baker.

Throughout his long life he wrote many books and articles on trees. He travelled widely wherever the need to save forests or plant trees was greatest. Neither did he shun any opportunity to talk to groups and individuals about our need to replant desert land, and to care for all indigenous forests and woodlands.

Then in his later years, encouraged by his wife Catriona, he wrote one last book. It's about the people he met and whose influence assisted his journey through life.

In TALL TIMBER St Barbe recalls 173 of these people. He chose them wisely for many would become leaders in bringing his vision into being. He led from the side, informing and encouraging them.

Modesty was not his greatest virtue. Audacity probably was. In TALL TIMBER we see how St Barbe manoeuvred his way to get introductions to all those who would help plant trees, save native forests, and reclaim deserts to feed an increasingly hungry world. His quiet and persuasive manner worked on nations and individuals alike. I know. He worked the same influence on me!

With the realities of climate change now affecting all our lives, wherever on this planet we live, the time is surely ripe for another St Barbe Baker to emerge and unite the whole world in the conquest of this agony. We must plant for our lives because trees are Earth's only climate stabilisers.

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