

# Emma Darwin - the inspirational wife of a genius

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## Science matters: Emma Darwin

Much has been written about Charles Darwin but this is the first biography of his strong, intelligent wife. Edna Healey has discovered new, and hitherto unpublished, material and has had the full support of the Darwin family in writing this major biography.

## Emma Darwin

Was it challenging to tell this story without having the screen time to develop characters like Joseph Hooker and Charles Lyell more? Well, we don't know whether he threw up, but he had that tendency.

## Emma Darwin: The Wife of an Inspirational Genius by Edna Healey

The whole concept of the film was to take a piece of Darwin's life and tell the story of On the Origin of Species and evolution generally within that framework, right? An interesting read about a woman 'at the centre' of many well known families and with connections to many famous names of the time. So she wasn't a fundamentalist, but she did believe in the basic tenets of the Christian faith. In this interview, Goldsmith, who years ago traced part of Darwin's Beagle voyage to better understand the man, explains his fascination with both Darwin and his wife Emma, and the extraordinary research he did to get the details right.

## Emma Darwin : the inspirational wife of a genius

This is NOT a retyped or an ocr'd reprint. After the initial outrage and shock, horror, people realized that this actually didn't chop the legs off conventional religion at all.

## Emma Darwin : the inspirational wife of a genius (Book, 2002) [spaceneb.us.to]

She was a grand-daughter of Josiah Wedgwood, the 18th century pottery genius whose creations defined tableware elegance and style for a generation and beyond.

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