

# SUPER SAFARI!



LET'S EXPLORE!



Welcome to the great Animal Planet African Safari – we're so pleased to have you along for the ride! Unless you're keen to become a tasty leopard treat, we recommend you keep your bum on your seat, and your arms safely inside the vehicle at all times! Buckle up because we're heading out to some of Africa's most extreme landscapes to see what wildlife we can spot! Hope you've got your binoculars at the ready!



**WHILE WE EXPLORE, LOOK OUT FOR AFRICA'S MOST FAMOUS ANIMALS!**

**LION**



Lions can weigh 190kg – that's as heavy as a blue whale's heart!

**LEOPARD**



These cats can leap up to six metres through the air!

**RHINO**



Black and white rhinos are both actually grey!

**ELEPHANT**



African elephants are the world's **LARGEST** land animals!

**AFRICAN BUFFALO**



Despite their scary horns, these animals are vegetarians!

# LET'S EXPLORE THE CONGO BASIN

● The Congo Basin spans six countries. It's one of the wildest places in the world and contains the second largest rainforest after the Amazon. Let's peek under the canopy!



ALL I CAN SEE IS MY KINGDOM...

## SILVERBACK GORILLA

● They can be found in high altitudes in the mountains and bamboo forests and are one of the biggest living primates standing up to over 5'5" on all fours.



## GIANT PANGOLIN

● These scaly creatures are largely nocturnal, living in burrows across the lowland forests and savannah of tropical Africa. When startled, it will curl into a ball, protecting its head and lashing out with the sharp scales on its tail.



## OKAPI

● While they may look most like zebras, these interesting creatures are a member of the giraffe family! Their striped legs are unique to each animal and help them blend into the forest, as well as giving baby okapis a pattern to follow on their travels!

## CHIMPANZEE

● When they're not climbing and swinging through the trees, they tend to walk on all fours, though they can walk on two legs too! They live in communities of up to 150 chimps, often headed by one dominant alpha male.

# GREETINGS FROM THE OKAVANGO DELTA

● You can find some incredible creatures in this remarkable wetland on the flood plain of the Okavango River. Let's go and say hello!



BOO!

## GIRAFFE

● With its impressive height, you'd think it would be easy to spot this NECKst animal, but the giraffe's markings provide them with amazing camouflage in the grasses of the Delta! Giraffes have a stomach with four compartments and feed on leaves, flowers, pods and fruit.



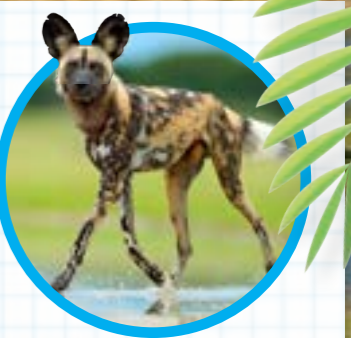
## NILE CROCODILES

● Underneath the papyrus, crocs move through a complicated network of tunnels, helping them to travel safely and stay hidden for long periods. See you in a while, Nile crocodile!



## WILD DOG

● Yes, they are distant relatives to our pet dogs! Sightings of this incredible creature are rare, and if you spy one, it's likely in a pack!



## HIPPO

● Did you know hippos can't swim? Even though most of their life in water, their dense bones mean they're too heavy to stay afloat! Instead of swimming, they push up from the bottom of the river!



# FAMOUS FIVE

Who lives in the Congo Basin and the Okavango Delta?  
TICK YOUR ANSWERS!

**LION**

CONGO BASIN  OKAVANGO DELTA

**LEOPARD**

CONGO BASIN  OKAVANGO DELTA

**RHINO**

CONGO BASIN  OKAVANGO DELTA

**ELEPHANT**

CONGO BASIN  OKAVANGO DELTA

**AFRICAN BUFFALO**

CONGO BASIN  OKAVANGO DELTA

ANSWERS: Lion, leopard, elephant and buffalo live in the Congo Basin and the Okavango Delta. Black rhinos never lived in the Congo Basin and sadly, due to poaching there are no known species of white rhino left in the area. The Okavango Delta is home to all five!

# WELCOME TO THE KALAHARI DESERT

Despite being so dry, over 320 species of mammals and birds call the Kalahari Desert home. Let's meet a few of them!

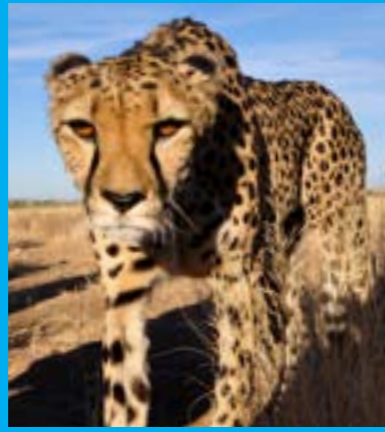


**MEERKAT**

These clever creatures live in packs of up to 40 called mobs! The dark patches around their eyes cut down the sun's glare and they can close their ears to keep out the pesky sand!

**CHEETAH**

Reaching speeds of up to 70mph, this big cat is the fastest land animal ever. In a race, cheetahs could beat most sports car, accelerating from 0-60mph in three seconds flat.



**SPRINGBOK**

These graceful antelopes are closely related to gazelles and are the national animal of South Africa. Totally spring-loaded, they're famous for their straight-legged bounces called 'pronks', which protect them from predators.

**AARDVARK**

In the Afrikaans language, Aardvark translates to "earth pig"... which makes a lot of sense when you see their snouts and burrowing lifestyle. These insect-eaters sniff out their dinner before lapping it up with their sticky tongues or tearing open termite mounds with their powerful claws.

OINK!



## FAMOUS FIVE

Who lives in the Kalahari Desert and Madagascar?

TICK YOUR ANSWERS!

**LION**



MADAGASCAR

KALAHARI DESERT

**LEOPARD**



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# HELLO TO THE RAINFORESTS OF MADAGASCAR

Madagascar is home to some of the most weird and wonderful wildlife that can't be found anywhere else in the world! Cameras at the ready!



BRIGHT AND BEAUTIFUL!

**PANTHER CHAMELEON**

These masters of disguise can switch their colours at will. Solitary and territorial, they will often be found hanging from the trees by their tails.



**MADAGASCAR FODY**

These bright birds originally came from Madagascar but have been introduced to other islands in the Indian Ocean.

**LEMUR**

Madagascar is home to 110 species of lemur! Lemurs are chatterboxes, making lots of different sounds to communicate.



**TOMATO FROG**

Guess what inspired their name...! Many of these red critters have moved to gardens as a result of deforestation.



ANSWERS: You can find all five in the Kalahari Desert! None of the famous five live in Madagascar. Due to its isolation, many of midland Africa's most famous mammals never made it to Madagascar.