

## Nature's Babies

4 X 1 HOUR

EPISODIC BREAKDOWN

### 1. Wild at Birth

The black mamba is born without its mother and has to learn how to hunt by itself. Meanwhile, African wildcat kittens grow up under the watchful, protective eye of mother. Whether having a family or mother to look after them, or relying purely on instinct, being wild at birth means adapting as fast as possible to all obstacles their paths.

### 2. Wild Bonds

Babies are inquisitive and eager to explore from the moment they can move. But animals' restrictions, whether from parents or laws of nature, illustrate the babies' wild bonds. Overcoming the risks on the way to independence is a great achievement, but it is the wild bonds forged with their fellow animals that lead our youngsters into the freedom of adulthood.

### 3. Rearing to Grow

A baby elephant wets his feet for the first time, gets a few useful tips on how to use his trunk properly and learns about his enemy. Nile monitors emerge from their eggs without their mother nearby and learn that caution is usually the best policy. Growing up in the wild is not all fun and games.

### 4. All in the Family

For a troop of baboons, having a large family means more than having unlimited access to playmates. Warthogs, a favourite amongst predators are often in danger and have to stick together. For those wild babies lucky enough to have someone to guide them through the rough times and learn with, it is a union that will serve them a lifetime.