

Epic Safari Encounters

26 x 30'

EPISODIC BREAKDOWN

1. Somalisa Expeditions Camp

Upon arrival in Zimbabwe, Kristina Guberman heads to Hwange National Park - renowned for its impressive elephant herds. She learns about these gentle giants, encounters cheetah on foot and chances upon a cheetah hunt with her guide, David.

2. Mana Pools

Kristina travels to the Mana Pools National Park with guide Craig van Zyl. They come across mating lions, have close encounters with bull elephants and canoe just meters away from imposing hippos and crocodiles on the mighty Zambezi River.

3. Chitake Springs

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5. Victoria Falls Part 2

Still at Victoria Falls, Kristina is treated to an aerial view of the Victoria falls. She gets up close and personal with prehistoric-looking beasts at the croc sanctuary, experiences some of the must-do tourist activities and has her first-ever encounter with endangered black rhino at the Stanley and Livingstone Private Game Reserve.

6. Changa Safari Park Part 1

Guided by Sean, Kristina explores the Matusadona National Park where they have incredible on-foot encounters with elephants and lions. Will she keep her cool as she comes face-to-face with one of Africa's apex predators?

7. Changa Safari Park Part 2

Kristina remains at Changa where she is treated to game-viewing by helicopter, tries her hand at fishing and witnesses lions stalking buffalo.

8. Pamuzinda Safari Lodge

Pamuzinda Safari Lodge is only one and a half hours from the capital - Harare. With Lawrence as her guide, Kristina embarks on an entertaining horse-back safari, interacts with Jasmine the giraffe, has a relaxing canoe trip and meets the clever resident elephant herd.

9. Imire Rhino and Wild Life Conservancy

Kristina visits Imire Rhino and Wildlife Conservancy where she is shown around by the founder's grandson, Riley. She has the opportunity to learn about and interact with elephants that have been trained to track poachers. They track a black rhino and her calf on foot and Riley puts her skills as an anti-poacher to the test.

10. Far and Wide

The adventure continues as Kristina journeys to Far and Wide in mountainous Nyanga, Eastern Zimbabwe. Her guide Bernie begins the trip with some extreme adventure sports including braving the tallest zip line on the planet. She tackles obstacle courses, is taught wilderness survival skills and heads to a nearby reserve to photograph diverse animal species for her personal wildlife calendar.

11. Thetford Estates

Kristina visits Thetford Estate where she's treated to amazing photographic opportunities for her personal calendar. Her guide, Craig Coid, gets her closer to white rhino than she ever imagined and takes her way back in time as he tells stories revealed by detailed rock paintings.

12. Karabezi Houseboat Cruiser

Kristina travels back to Zimbabwe's stunning lake Kariba. This time she's touring the area on the luxurious Karabezi Houseboat Cruiser. Joined by fishing experts, Craig and Mark, she attempts to catch the infamous tiger fish. The shoreline sights never disappoint as she witnesses lion and fish eagles on the hunt. Kristina challenges her fishing guide, Dollar, to a fishing competition and lands her biggest fish yet!

13. Rhino Safari Camp

Hosted by Rhino Safari Camp, the epic safari continues back in the Matusadona National Park where Kristina is guided by Steve. They explore the lake-shore, encounter the hungry local pride and Marula, the resident elephant, makes a lunch-time appearance.

14. Chilo Gorge Safari Camp

Kristina travels to Gonarezhou National Park in the South-East of Zimbabwe. Thomas, her guide, takes her to the breath-taking Chilojo cliffs, tracks an impressive buffalo herd and keeps his cool as they experience heart-stopping elephant charges. Will Kristina finally spot her dream leopard?

15. Sango Lodge

Craig joins Kristina at Sango Lodge in the heart of the Save Valley Conservancy where they explore the vast, rugged wilderness. Kristina joins Bryce Clemence and his anti-poaching team as they demonstrate the effectiveness of the anti-poaching dog unit. Tracking notorious rhino on foot keeps their senses alert. Find out what causes the crew to hit the floor.

16. Bumi Hills Safari Lodge Part 1

Back on the banks of Lake Kariba, Kristina is hosted by the luxurious Bumi Hills Safari Lodge. She tracks lions with her guide Madison, witness elephants swimming and challenges Madison to a fishing bet and finally gets to tick an elusive cat off her bucket list.

17. Bumi Hills Safari Lodge Part 2

The safari continues at Bumi Hills Safari Lodge where Kristina joins the anti-poaching unit on their everyday, thrilling duties. The fishing challenges with Madison continue and the breath-taking lakeshore game viewing experiences keep coming.

18. Zambezi Expeditions Camp Part 1

Kristina travels back to Mana Pools to experience the untamed wilderness in the extreme dry season. Her guide, Cloud, takes her on an expedition to find lion cubs and wild dog puppies. Will they find what they are looking for?

19. Zambezi Expeditions Camp Part 2

Still based at Zambezi Expeditions Camp, Richard guides Kristina into her closest encounter with a wild bull elephant. An evening excursion to Kanga Pan leads to breath-taking sightings of elusive creatures of the night.

20. Camp Amalinda

Kristina heads to Camp Amalinda on the edge of the Matopos National Park. Her guide, Dardley, shares some of the history of this World Heritage Site and intriguing rock paintings. They track white rhino on foot and she learns about the distinctive rock formations.

21. Ivory Safari Lodge and Khulu Lodge

Dardley joins Kristina at Ivory Lodge on the edge of Hwange National Park where her predator sightings just keep getting better. They get unbelievably close to wild cheetah and witness something incredible.

22. Kavinga Safari Camp Part 1

Kristina's guide, Andy, treats her to wonderful riverbed drives and wild encounters on foot. They happen upon a magnificent leopard with her impala kill up a tree and an eventful night drive leads them into a potential battle as a coalition of 3 foreign male lions step into the resident king's territory!

23. Kavinga Safari Camp Part 2

The safari continues at Kavinga where Kristina and Andy have more interactions with Juno, the resident lion king. A late drive leads them to the predators of the night. They come across a lion eating a porcupine and Morgan the elephant decides to join them at the bar with a weakness for lemons!

24. The Hide Safari Camp Part 1

Kristina is back with Sean and hosted at the Hide Safari Camp in Hwange National Park at their driest period. A night drive leads them to a unique finding. They discover an unexpected leopard kill and spend time with a hungry pride as they study the menu. Find out if the lion's order comes through.

25. The Hide Safari Camp Part 2

Kristina continues her stay at the Hide Safari Camp with Sean. Cecil's pride is still in the area scouting for prey. Sean teaches Kristina about elephant anatomy and wild dogs take down an impala and mate right outside camp.

26. Bonus

In this final episode, Kristina shares her favourite highlights, humour or behind the scenes action from each of the 19 safari locations. It has indeed been an epic safari with encounters to remember for a lifetime.