



Living in the African Bushveld

I had the great fortune of meeting Shaun and Elcke Malan, the General Managers at Machaba Camp before the pandemic hit. What struck me when we first met was their incredibly easy rapport with everyone from staff to guests to family. Immediately I felt at home and this is not an easy feat to achieve. Sometimes staff are too keen to please and other times too stand offish. Elcke and Shaun have perfected that balance. Staff adore them and guests leave as friends.

But let's not forget the rest of their family and the reason why Elcke and Shaun are able to create such a relaxed family feel for those bringing their children out on safari. They are bringing their two children, Nala and Khan up in the African bushveld, at Machaba Camp where they have lived for the last seven years. The first time I spotted Nala she was hiding, shy, behind her mum. The next time, she was with her brother running barefoot, not a care in the world. What an unbelievable upbringing. To learn first-hand the importance of eco-tourism, to become immersed in the local culture and to be able to study the wildlife, flora and fauna up close.

So then Covid hit and no-one could travel, but Nala and Khan were still able to continue their incredible journey of education, virtually untouched by the drama unfolding in the world outside of their beautiful remote locations.

But then Elcke and Shaun thought, why not continue to share their special piece of paradise through the eyes of Nala (and sometimes Khan when he is allowed!). With that, "On Safari with Nala", presented by nine-year-old Nala from Machaba Camp was born. With her extraordinary love for nature, wildlife, and conservation she is a natural.

Each week she takes viewers on an exciting African adventure. Topics include everything from exploring the Okavango Delta in a mokoro and informative wildlife episodes, to Machaba's legendary chef Sox being dragged into an episode or two to share some delicious recipes.

Watch Nala's latest adventure and catch up on previous episodes [LINK](#)

Watch out Sir David Attenborough, you have some competition!

If you would like to book guests to Machaba Camp or any of the Machaba Safaris Camps, please contact Wendy on enquiries@machabasafaris.com. For more information go to www.machabasafaris.com