

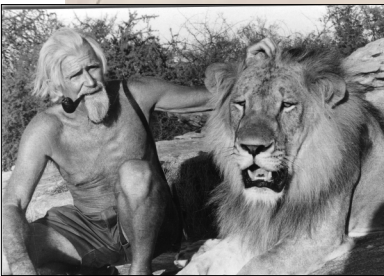
KWT Christian Lion Safari

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Join KWT for once-in-a-lifetime African Safari trip tracing the exceptional conservation saga of "Christian" the lion from London suburbs to an African home in the preservation wilds--the amazing story has been documented in film and books . . .



In 1969, **John Rendall** and his friend **Anthony "Ace" Bourke** came across a lion cub in Harrods, London, (which at that time traded in exotic animals). The two took the cub home to their Chelsea flat, and named him *Christian*-- inspired by a biblical sense of irony.



Christian lived with them in their SophistoCat Kings Road furniture shop. The cub played with local children in the walled garden of a churchyard. He was fed steak and taken to restaurants and glamorous parties in the back of their Mercedes cabriolet during his cub years.

The two men wrote a bestseller in 1971, *A Lion Called Christian*, recounting their life with the pet Christian. As he grew from a cub to an overpowering young adult, they made the decision to return him to the African wilderness rather than have him adopted into a captive zoo. Christian was flown to Kenya and placed in the care of the famous lion conservationist **George Adamson** to introduce the much loved domesticated lion into the wild at the Kora National Park, 220 miles to the north-east of Nairobi.

Today Rendall, who is still a laid-back dandy in his 60's, will join KWT in 2012 on this adventure Safari to the animal conservation area where Christian lives happily with his next generation of free lions. Rendall serves as a trustee of the nonprofit George Adamson Wildlife Preservation Trust.

Join KWT for this extraordinary Safari experience within the evolving tradition of conservation of the disappearing wild animal species around the world. Limited spaces!

Call or email for exact dates and details . . .

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