



## ONE NINER EXPEDITIONS

Monthly Newsletter

**FROM THE BUSH, TO YOUR INBOX...**

### LATEST FROM THE FIELD

The Black Mambas recently informed us of a multi-day snare sweep they carried out along the Olifants River, an important wildlife corridor in the Greater Kruger area. Working through dense bush, the all-female unit removed several wire snares, helping protect local wildlife. During the patrol, they spotted elephants, rhinos, and a leopard, powerful reminders of the biodiversity their work defends. A surprise lion charge added some adrenaline to the operation. Thanks to their training, the Mambas handled it calmly, with no injuries. As they put it, both lion and rangers “walked away feeling a bit foolish”, a light-hearted end to a tense moment.

Evenings were spent in post-patrol debriefs, where the team logged data and shared observations. Key to refining their strategy and staying effective in the field. This operation is yet another example of the Mambas’ courage, professionalism, and commitment to frontline conservation.







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## WHAT WE HAVE BEEN POSTING:

*In this episode, One Niner Exceptions, Joshua Lawes, talks to Garth Wolff, owner of Leopard's Bend Bush Lodge and co-owner of the iconic Blue Canyon Private Game Reserve in South Africa.*



## SAFARI FACT OF THE MONTH

Are zebras black with white stripes or white with black stripes?

Zebras create a visual illusion when they run in groups, making it hard for predators to single one out.

Fur and Skin Clues

Zebras have black skin, and studies show they develop black fur first. White stripes form later due to pigment inhibition. So biologically, they're black with white stripes.

Many think they're white with black stripes because white areas dominate certain parts, but scientifically, it's the opposite.

Bottom line: Zebras are black with white stripes—science says so. The white is just camouflage!



### **Until Next time!**

Thanks for being part of our journey. We're excited for the day you join us out there. Adventure awaits...

**-The One Niner Expeditions team**

