



DID YOU KNOW? There are fewer than 4,000 lions left in the 'wild' in South Africa, but more than 8,000 in captivity, being bred for the bullet or the arrow. Lion farming is a real threat to wild lion prides, for many reasons. The ongoing capture of wild lions to introduce fresh blood into captive breeding, and the growth of the lion bone trade to Asia for bogus medicines will impact severely on wild lions from poaching.

WHAT CAN YOU DO TO HELP END THIS CRUEL AND HEARTLESS INDUSTRY?

NEVER...

Support any game park, zoo or other establishment that offers cub-petting or the 'walk with lions' experience.

NEVER...

'Volunteer' to help raise what breeders falsely proclaim to be orphaned cubs.

Canned Hunting is a crime against nature – a crime against our heritage, a crime against all of Africa ...

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WHAT IS 'CANNED HUNTING'? Canned hunting is where the target animal is unfairly prevented from escaping the hunter, either by physical constraints (fencing) or by mental constraints (tame, habituated to humans).

Please read this leaflet to inform yourself of the facts about canned hunting and the terrible price that our wildlife pays in this unscrupulous but totally legal industry.

THE CRUEL AND TRAGIC LIFE-CYCLE OF A CANNED LION

1 Lionesses are turned into breeding machines – once spent, they go on the ‘kill list’ for either trophy hunting or killed outright for the bone trade.



2 Cubs are torn away from their mothers soon after birth for cub-petting – also ‘rented out’ to non-breeding facilities that cash in on their suffering.



3 Female cubs are often killed, particularly where there has been in-breeding which causes defects – this is rife in the industry. Greed also dictates that lionesses are not desirable (read ‘sufficiently profitable’) trophies.



4 Breeders advertise to attract ignorant volunteers to help feed and care for the cubs. Volunteers pay exorbitant fees for the ‘privilege’ to feed/care for/play with the cubs destined to be shot.

5 Once too big for petting, the young lions will be used, or rented out, for the ‘walk with lions’ experience.



6 No longer suitable to ‘walk with’, sub-adults are crammed into overcrowded cages where they wait to die – mostly in atrocious conditions.

7 When mature and attractive, trophy hunters move in to shoot them in small camps, where the lions have no means of escape. To make the ‘hunt’ easier, the lions are often drugged before being killed.



8 Lastly, their heads will be cut off to mount on a wall, and the bones sold and shipped to the East for bogus aphrodisiacs and/or medicine – for ‘top dollar’!