



Here's a fun fact: For some reason, the big cats are attracted to Calvin Klein's "**OBSESSION**". It's true! Google it! It's been used in India to locate and trap "annoying" Tigers and in Central America to track Jaguars. Wear it at your own risk! :>)

This week we'll talk about LIONS. They are the largest of the African cats. The top shot is, of course, of a full grown male. To the right, we have a full grown female.





On the left we have a female ready to hunt ... on the right we have two males, as usual, relaxing...



The lion, *Panthera leo*, is a large feline of Africa and northwest India (didn't know that!), having a short, tawny coat, a tufted tail, and in the male, a heavy mane around the neck and shoulders. Lions are desirable to hunters because of the very real danger involved in hunting them. (stupid)

In the past, a young Maasai boy was required to kill a lion with his hands and spear in order to pass into manhood. Sort of like a Bar Mitzvah. It's not done today - or at least it isn't supposed to be done. If we visit a Maasai village, we may be shown a headdress made from the mane of one of those lions and group may be asked

On our travels you generally, if not females go out to cubs. Hummm. Can introduced beer to



one of the men in our if he'd like to try it on ...

will notice the males are always, relaxing! The hunt and take care of the you imagine if they those males?!?!? LOL!!!

Personally, I love it when we come upon what I call "Lion Day Care"! There will be one or two lionesses and a bunch of cubs rollicking, play fighting, and basically having a good time and sometimes, driving the lionesses crazy!!! :>)





During our visit we will see a myriad of animals ... animals you've never seen outside a zoo. Remember, this is NOT a zoo! You will be up close and personal with some who are very curious and others who are very shy. You'll be amazed at how they interact with different species even seeing a lion just sitting watching antelopes, not chasing them ... perhaps looking at them as tomorrow's lunch, but not today. :>)

Respect them and enjoy experiencing them on their home turf! You will be making memories the likes of which you may never have again. You'll go home with so much to share with your friends and families! Be ready for that and so much more!!! :>)



Ok, sorry about the picture! LOL!!! That's about it for this week ... PLEASE let me know if you're interested or not. Remember this is not a commitment. I won't ask for commitments until we have airfares. If you'd like to be taken off the mailing list, just let me know. Again, if you have any questions I haven't answered, email or call me!

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`til next week! Jeanie6433@aol.com :>)