

Male lion stalks cubs; what the mother lioness does next leaves Internet in awe: 'No greater warrior than a mother'

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"God can't be everywhere, so he created mothers." We've all heard this saying, and every now and then, we witness something that reminds us why it rings so true. A heart-stopping moment recently captured in Serengeti's Maasai Kopjes proves just how fierce and fearless mothers can be, even in the wild.

In a now-viral video, a lioness and her sister sprang into action when they spotted a male lion approaching their cubs. Without hesitation, they ran straight towards him, warning him to stay away. The protective instinct was raw, powerful, and absolutely unshakable.

Photographer Venkat Krishnan, who shared the dramatic footage on Instagram, described it as "one of the most epic arguments we have seen in the wild!"

"This lioness and her sister charged at the male who was following the family with small cubs and the mothers clearly didn't want the male coming close to the cubs. It was incredible how the mothers saw the male climb up the Kopje from a distance and ran towards him to confront him," he wrote in the caption.

A post shared by Venkat Krishnan (@venkat_krishnan22)

The video quickly garnered attention online, racking up over a million views. In the comments, people couldn't stop praising the lionesses' bravery. A user commented, "It was proven once again that there is no greater warrior in the world than a mother."

Another user commented, "Wow!! This gave me goosebumps all over my entire body. Lioness FAFO in action."

A third user wrote, "You can hear the moment his sounds changed to be less aggressive. His face changes too like he knew he was NOT going to fight that fight!"

A fourth user gave a "Lion King" reference, saying, "It's the epic showdown against Scar on Pride Rock."

This isn't the only recent display of maternal courage from the animal kingdom. In Kenya's Maasai Mara, another video went viral showing a buffalo calf surrounded by a pride of lions. Just as one lion moved in, the mother charged with her horns down, putting herself between danger and her baby. Against all odds, she fought back, circling her calf, daring the predators to come closer.