Published to rave reviews around the world, Blood Safari is a harrowing new novel from acclaimed writer Deon Meyer. Like the best international mystery and thriller writers, Meyer is an expert storyteller whose wickedly fast narratives reveal the heart of his enthralling country. In Blood Safari, Emma Le Roux, a beautiful young woman, sees her brother named on the Cape Town news as the prime suspect in the killing of four poachers and a witch doctor. But it can’t be possible: he disappeared twenty years ago in Kruger National Park and is believed to be dead. Emma tries to find out more but is attacked and barely escapes. So she hires Lemmer, a personal security expert, and sets out into the Lowveld in search of the truth. A complicated man with a dishonorable past, Lemmer just wants to do his job and avoid getting personally involved. But as they search for answers from the rural police, they encounter racial and political tensions, greed, corruption, and violence unlike anything they have ever known. A chilling novel from a master of suspense, Blood Safari takes the reader
beyond the headlines and into the complicated present and dangerous history of South Africa.

**Personal Review: Blood Safari by Deon Meyer**

Lemmer (no first name given) is a loner who is employed by a South African Company called Body Armour, which is a security company headed up by an ex-regimental sergeant major named Jeanette Louw. Lemmer is a bodyguard. He's tough as nails, has served time in prison for manslaughter (unjustly as far as he's concerned). He's a recovering alcoholic. He lives by two simple rules, which are, 1. Don't get involved and 2. Trust nobody.

Emma la Roux is a brand consultant from Cape Town and she needs protection. She thought she saw her long lost brother on television. But before she can investigate three masked men break into her beach house. She was lucky enough to get away with her life.

Now she wants two things, to find her brother and to stay alive. So she calls Body Armour and gets Lemmer. Emma's quest takes them to several game preserves as it appears that her brother is wanted for the killing of a witchdoctor who has killed protected vultures for ceremonial reasons among other crimes involving conservation. And all along the way they are followed and Lemmer dispatches his fair share of bad guys.

There is quite a bit of background in this story involving recent South African history and the country's problems, but the author doesn't let it get in the way of the story. So, you'll learn a bit, get a bit of opinion and also you'll get one great story. If you're a fan of Lee Childs, you're going to love this book, because Lemmer is the next best thing to a South African Jack Reacher.

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