

Jonathan Leeming

Introduction

Jonathan is a unique individual. Born in England in 1970, he was fortunate to have been brought up in a family who encouraged an understanding and appreciation of all aspects of the natural world. As a child, camping, hiking, climbing, fishing and sailing were all part of his “formal” education.

Immigrating to South Africa in 1984 sparked a boundless fascination in the natural world. Mesmerised by those creatures that bite and sting, his journey through an unforgiving world that so many fear, yet few understand began. In 2003, he wrote *Scorpions of Southern Africa*, which gave him the leverage and a platform to be seen and heard. A few books later Jonathan quickly became the venomous animal go-to-guy.



 **JONATHAN LEEMING**
SPEAKER • AUTHOR • CONSERVATIONIST

Jonathan has worked in 14 countries and with people of many different cultures, beliefs and backgrounds.

He has been assisting medical professionals, organisations, consulting for poison information helplines, and been a panel member and presenter at medical conferences for the past 15 years. His work has shaped how spider bites and scorpion stings are treated in Southern Africa, and has defined and inspired a generation.

Jonathan is a best selling author, award winning conservationist and international speaker.

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