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A LION CALLED CHRISTIAN Now in paperback!

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The **absolute runaway bestseller** of last year, *A Lion Called Christian* by Anthony Bourke and John Rendall is now available in a paperback edition. This remarkable true story of the bond between two friends and a lion captured the hearts of millions worldwide as their YouTube clip brought their heart-warming reunion story to a massive new audience nearly forty years after the event.

This is the story of how John and Ace first saw Christian as a cub for sale in Harrods, how they all lived together as flatmates in London, how a chance meeting with Virginia McKenna and Bill Travers, stars of *Born Free*, gave them a chance to return Christian to the wild, and eventually, the journey that led them to Kenya and to Christian's final home.

To view the clip and to see a sample of the extraordinary photographs in the book, please visit www.alioncalledchristian.co.uk.



Praise for *A Lion Called Christian*:

'A roaring success' – The Daily Telegraph

'A must read' – New Idea

'A warm and perceptive book' - *Courier Mail*

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