

# John “Griff” Griffith

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As the host of “Wild Jobs” on Animal Planet GO, and a lifetime wildlife conservationist, John “Griff” Griffith believes in the importance of relationships: wildlife to earth, wildlife to plants, wildlife to people, and people to people.



**He believes that if we can understand the truth about animals and how we relate to them, understanding each other, as human beings, becomes simpler.** Most of his adult life has been spent being a supervisor in a youth development (corps) program, where he leads groups of young adults, often from distressed communities, to restore natural areas and wildlife populations in a process he calls “re-wilding.” John has been able to see firsthand how intricate relationships between people and wildlife are inextricably linked.

Griff grew up in the California Bay Area, surrounded by people from all walks of life. His upbringing allowed him to have deep connections with people of various backgrounds, ethnicities, cultures, and with wildlife. His favorite animals are the misunderstood ones, as they remind him of his neighborhood friends and himself. **Turkey vultures, bats, spiders, snakes – all those animals that you are afraid of, likely because you don’t understand them. You think you know them, but you don’t.**

Griff believes that by exploring and demystifying nature you can understand humanity and yourself.

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