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ANIMAL BEHAVIOUR: PROBLEMATIC PACHYDERMS

A bit too big to be cuddly, these fine elephants were once due for the chop because of their delinquent behaviour. Now they are a small, protected herd under the watchful care of Doug Groves, and the once badly behaved trio help educate visitors to the Botswana reserve



Ever fancied going for a stroll with some of the biggest and potentially most dangerous animals on earth? **Nick Smith** went to Botswana to meet up with gentle giant Jabu and pals

asbo elephants

'DON'T WALK ACROSS his line of sight. If you scare him he could get excited.' The 'he' in question is a 22-year old sub-adult male African bush elephant called Jabu. The person talking is Doug Groves, a man who lives with elephants, who uses the word 'exciting' when he means 'dangerous'.

I ask nervously what I should do if things do get exciting. 'Retreat,' says Doug, 'very slowly, and in the direction I point to.' That's it? Well there's also the backup of a man

with a big rifle, but no one wants to see that in action at the Living With Elephants Foundation.

I shouldn't have been too worried. Doug has worked with elephants for getting on for two decades and he knows them inside out. He's the only person I've ever seen put his hand in an elephant's mouth to point out the unusual arrangement of molars and pre-molars. It looks pretty fearsome – these are big teeth and elephants eat trees with them.

Next, he lies down in front of them and he encourages me to do the same so that I can get better photos of Jabu in 'mock charge'.

LOT OF BULL

Lying in front of a bull elephant well on its way to reaching its mature weight of 8 tonnes (the weight of a double decker bus) wasn't something I'd come here prepared to do. (Question: What do you call a bull elephant kicking sand over you? Answer: Sir!)



The author gets the feel of elephants at close quarters.