

Congo/Zaire related YouTube Videos

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Travel related videos

Bienvenue au Congo - Welcome in Congo

Stuck trucks, landcruisers, motos, everything, an music too! Where else can you experience this but in the Congo. This is my favorite Congo Roads video – the scenes, the mud, the vehicles, the people, all put to music is endlessly amusing....

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_203PSyA2UM&t=70s

CONGO RIVER EXPEDITION – Lisala – Kisangani

This expedition was implemented in 2009 by three research institutions of Belgium: the Africa Museum, the Royal Institute of Natural Sciences and the Botanical Garden with researchers also from the University of Kisangani and Kinshasa (DR Congo), from three Universities in Belgium (K.U. Leuven, R.U. Gent, V.U. Brussels) and from the University of Davis, California (USA).

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g0-i8RzgWmE>

Deadliest Roads | Congo Katanga

In Katanga many people are waiting for a train named after a bird, the “Swallow”. More than 2000 people, three times the train’s capacity, are squeezing into the carriages. Conditions are precarious in the “Swallow”, which crosses the whole country in more than a week, stopping in several villages.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1DT_ZQ3EkOk

Deadliest Roads | Congo

World's Most Dangerous Roads: Deadliest Journeys in Congo in 2009. Years of war have left Congo’s infrastructure in ruins. In a country with no airports, no viable rail system and where the roads are almost totally unusable, transporting goods has become a serious problem.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Olbpq0Uq1p0>

Deadliest Journeys - Congo River

We make the epic journey from Kinshasha, capital of the DRC, to Kisangani, the third largest city in this vast country. The only way to move between the cities is by boat or airplane. We join 1,500 people onboard the 'Gbemani', sailing along the Congo River.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VqKPJHWq6Hw&t=84s>

Barge Captain on the Congo River

Ce long métrage du documentariste belge Thierry Michel emmène ses spectateurs aux sources du fleuve du Congo, véritable colonne vertébrale et axe de communication essentiel. Il évoque de nombreuses facettes du Congo d’hier et d’aujourd’hui.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zsYB-W8Cltc>

A Week in D.R. CONGO ? (country #185)

Hey guys! Sorry for the week-long hiatus -- I've been having WAY too much fun in the D.R. CONGO, country #185!!! This video is a recap of the last week of my life, spent with my friend Obed, who I met a few weeks ago on Instagram. Long story short: it has been AMAZING!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CdplXirnQjY>

Traversée "off road" Lubumbashi /Kinshasa

2500 km, 13 jours de conduite, 17 jours de voyage pour faire cette traversée inoubliable. Prenez votre temps avec ce roadtrip et laissez vous guider .. la traversée par jour également sur www.ggroadtrip.com

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LB9c6VchhXw>

Bateau sur le fleuve Congo 2018

Un voyage par bateau sur le fleuve Congo en 2018

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ePS053M2SJM>

Les routes de l'impossible - Congo, le dernier train du Katanga

Au Congo les routes sont, pour la majorité, impraticables ou inexistantes. Le seul transport fiable, l'avion, est hors de portée des Congolais. Au sud, le train hirondelle traverse la moitié du pays, depuis la capitale du Katanga, Lubumbashi jusqu'à Ilebo. Il constitue le seul trait d'union entre les villages les plus reculés.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JM8Vfb0Lm3c>

Les routes de l'impossible - Congo : Le Rafiot de L'Enfer

En république démocratique du Congo, pour aller de Kinshasa la capitale, à Kisangani la grande ville du Nord, il n'y a plus aucune route. Le manque d'entretien et la forêt envahissante l'ont fait disparaître petit à petit. Pour transporter leurs marchandises ou pour voyager entre ces deux villes, les congolais n'ont que deux solutions : l'avion pour les plus riches, ou le bateau pour les plus pauvres, un voyage de 2000 kilomètres.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KPMZdUg2GjM>

CONGO RIVER BIODIVERSITY EXPEDITION

Congo River. Biodiversity expedition in 2010 Kisangani-Bumba-Kisangani (2x 400 km) & main tributaries (upstream: about 20 km each)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PrLW6ta0uwu>

Le Jardin Extraordinaire RTBF 1 - Les mystères du fleuve Congo - chutes de Zongo

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XDdQkfAsZ7U>

History related videos

Visiting the Belgian Congo in 1956

Final part of a 16mm documentary on a visit to the Belgian colony in 1956. After its independence it is called 'The Democratic Republic of the Congo'. See my other 1150 clips by searching YouTube with 'michael rogge' Website 'Man and the Unknown'

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ICpLIM-GldE>

King Leopold's ghost still haunts the Congo

The Congo's natural resources have inspired a most unnatural history of greed and violence, which cost the lives of some 10 million Congolese.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=alg33ey4ejo>

Belgian Congo (Documentary)

The Belgian Congo was a Belgian colony in Central Africa from 1908 until independence in 1960. The former colony adopted its present-day name, the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC), in 1964.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z4TPwGfnpc4>

Meet The Forgotten "Hitler" Who Killed 15 Million Africans

The story of King Leopold

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QfYC7m4cULE>

Modern Day Congo videos

A journey to the heart of Africa - Full documentary - BBC Africa

The Democratic Republic of the Congo is a vast, mineral rich country the size of Western Europe. Alastair Leithhead takes an epic journey from the Atlantic Ocean to the far reaches of the Congo river to explore how history has shaped the Congo of today and uncover the lesser told stories of this beautiful, if troubled country.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=43xTvpXWLW4&t=167s>

Congo, My Precious. The Curse of the coltan mines in Congo

The Democratic Republic of Congo in Africa is one of the world's most resource-rich countries. A wide range of rare minerals can be found here in abundance, all commanding high prices in world commodity markets. Diamonds for jewellery, tantalum, tungsten and gold for electronics; uranium used in power generation and weaponry and many others.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dTwzCy0-RTw>

Murder in Kinshasa

Who really killed Congolese President Laurent-Desire Kabila in 2001? At Al Jazeera English, we focus on people and events that affect people's lives. We bring topics to light that often go under-reported, listening to all sides of the story.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2a5W2tAAD68>

DR Congo's Capital Kinshasa. The Largest, Most Developed City in Central Africa

Kinshasa is the capital of the Democratic Republic of the Congo. It faces Brazzaville, the capital of the neighboring Republic of Congo, which can be seen in the distance across the wide Congo River. Kinshasa has the largest population of any city in Africa with a population of 14 million within the City limits, and is also the 2nd largest French-speaking city in the world behind Paris. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RkpFitVJIkE>

The Real Congo: Real Lives, Real People, Real Views

After a good year of stressing and not knowing what to create I believe I have created something that allows people to see the Congo through my eyes. I was able to travel to Congo in the summer of 2017 for my cousins wedding and captured amazing moments that I would like to share with everyone.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2JLfZg-AbNc>

The African Terror Group No One Is Talking About

The conflict in Eastern Congo has killed as many as 6 million people; more than any war since WWII. Yet it remains one of the most underreported crises' in the world. Over the last few years, one group, in particular, has terrorized dozens of villages, killing or kidnapping hundreds of men, women, and children.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i8uSBTlkVoo&bpctr=1608542078>

Mobutu era related videos

MOBUTU KING OF ZAIRE - CONGO - VOST EN - Belgique

"Of all the passions of the human race, the appetite for domination is the most intoxicating" St. Augustine. Ultimate "African King", Joseph Désiré Mobutu was one of the oldest and most tenacious dictators of the Cold War and decolonization. With the help of the CIA, Mobutu makes a coup and takes power in the former Belgian Congo.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OpCb_Yg_qJA&t=3s

Zaire Revisited: Congolese nostalgic for era of dictator Mobutu

More than 20 years after the fall of the charismatic Congolese dictator Mobutu Sese Seko, who ruled the vast African country with an iron fist from 1965 to 1997, many Congolese look back fondly on the era of "Papa Marshal", as he was nicknamed.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FzfPEL2LX4U>

THE WAR IN CONGO

Colonel Mamadou Moustapha Ndala will never be forgotten by the people of the North Kivu province of the Democratic republic of Congo. His Patriotism and Bravery made him a cult hero and a rising star in the Eastern Congo; due to his accomplishments in pacifying the rising threat of the Kagame and Museveni linked M23 rebel group.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tWBlwOXam78>

Miscellaneous Congo/Zaire videos

The Congo Dandies: living in poverty and spending a fortune

“La Sape” is a unique movement based in the Congo that unites fashion-conscious men who are ready to splurge money they don’t really have on designer clothes. Dressing in stark contrast with their surroundings, these elegant ambiance-makers become true local celebrities... but this fame comes at a price.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W27PnUuXR_A

Machete boys of Congo

There is no law or moral code for the youngsters of impoverished neighborhoods in the port city of Matadi. In their teenage years, they’ve already earned a reputation as ruthless outlaws who prowl streets, steal from locals, extort money from businesses and fight each other. They called, Kulunas – members of youth gangs infesting cities.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8IGc2zhCBI0>

Conflict Minerals, Rebels and Child Soldiers in Congo

Warlords, soldiers, and child laborers all toil over a mineral you've never even heard of. Coltan is a conflict mineral in nearly every cell phone, laptop, and electronic device. It's also tied to the deaths of over 5 million people in Congo since 1990.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kYqrflGpTRE>

Congo: The pygmies of Boyanga - BBC News

Go hunting in the forest with pygmies who still live a very traditional way of life. Their elders remember the brutal colonial time under Belgian King Leopold II whose men would force them to collect rubber – and amputate limbs if they didn’t collect enough.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B1sL7VhyCHQ>

The Last Living Dinosaur Could Be Hiding In The Congo

Scientists may have found the last living dinosaurs, hiding out in the Congo basin in Africa. For centuries, rumors suggest that Mokele Mbembe could still be alive - until recent scientific evidence suggests there may be some truth to these rumors!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oODNDxrHkvk&t=236s>

Kinshasa, Beautiful African Mega City 2020

Kinshasa, formerly Léopoldville, (until 1966) is the largest city and it is the capital of the Democratic Republic of the Congo. It lies about 320 miles (515 km) from the Atlantic Ocean on the south bank of the Congo River. One of the largest cities of sub-Saharan Africa, it is a political unit equivalent to a Congolese region, with its own governor.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U2nerhtwuBI>

The cleanest city Kinshasa 2020 (DRC)

Look at that my beautiful and favorite city in Africa! I am Haitian, but Congo-Kinshasa is always in my mind and my heart! Vive La RDC!!!!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nwVT5XLsHjo>

Faces of Africa - Franco: King of Rumba

In the 1960s, a vibrant economy in the newly independent Congo meant artists had access to all the latest developments in music technology. Among all the great Congolese musicians that emerged in that era, one stands out as the undisputed king of Rumba: Francois 'Franco' Luambo Makiadi.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QkdFRYgl7cs>

Enquete exclusive - Republique Democratique du Congo : les millionnaires du chaos

Deuxième plus vaste pays d'Afrique, la République démocratique du Congo (RDC) est l'un des Etats les plus pauvres du monde. Or, il compte de... nombreux millionnaires. Ces entrepreneurs, artistes, ex-chefs rebelles ou évangélistes vivent dans des enclaves ultrasécurisées de la capitale Kinshasa.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e7cIlkF4G5U>