



After Asia, palm oil faces backlash in Africa

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Its lower cost has made it popular in commercial food production, but after being blamed for deforestation in Asia, palm oil plantations are now getting a similar rap in Africa.

The sheer scale of land required is having an impact in Gabon, Cameroon and the Congo Basin, environmentalists say.

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But the production process accelerates deforestation, contributes to climate change and threatens fauna and flora in vulnerable areas, opponents argue.

However the companies say that palm oil is not only less expensive than soya or sunflower oil but requires much less land to produce and provides much-needed jobs.

Gabon -- where forest covers 80 percent of the territory -- is feeling the brunt.

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Brainforest and Mighty, two environmental groups, investigated the activities of Olam, an agri-business from Singapore, which said it has planted 58,000 hectares of palm trees in Gabon.

"It is estimated that Olam has deforested 20,000 hectares in its Gabonese concessions of Awala et Mouila since 2012," the groups said in a report released in mid-December. "Investigators on the scene witnessed and filmed bulldozers knocking down huge trees en masse."

Olam said palm trees had been planted on 25,000 hectares of land which had previously been forested, but that this had been "highly logged and degraded secondary forest" and represented just 0.1 percent of Gabon's forests.

In response to the report Olam published advertisements touting the almost 11,000 jobs it has created, the 1,100 hectares of food crops planted and 251 kilometres (150 miles) of roads built.

- A wider impact -

But the impact appears wider. In their report, the environmental groups expressed fears that the Congo Basin, considered the lung of Africa, could go the same way as forests in Sumatra, Indonesia and on Borneo.

"A few decades ago, these places were almost entirely covered with forests, a paradise for orangutans, rhinos, elephants and exotic birds. Today, only 20-30 percent of the forest cover exists."

The report was released in Libreville when an environmental film festival honoured the French documentary "Et Maintenant Nos Terres" (And Now Our Land).

Its directors, Julien Le Net and Benjamin Polle, chronicled how villages in Cameroon and Senegal were being affected by what they called "land grabs" by multinational companies.

In southwest Cameroon 244 farmers have filed a trespassing complaint against a company that intends to plant 20,000 hectares of palm trees.

Hearings in the case against Sustainable Oils Cameroon, formerly a subsidiary of American company Herakles Farms, were postponed after reports of unrest in the area in November.

Greenpeace has asked Cameroon not to renew the company's concession which expired at the end of November, and it cited "six years of illegal foresting, trampling of locals' rights, unfulfilled investments and destruction of forest".

A petition signed by 180,000 people against renewal of the contract was sent last week to Cameroon President Paul Biya, Greenpeace said.

The government has not yet made a decision but Greenpeace said it hoped it would hear the voices of "thousands of Cameroonians".

Meanwhile the plantations of Socapalm, a subsidiary of the Luxembourg company Socfin in which the family firm of French businessman Vincent Bolloré owns a large minority stake, were targeted by protests in November.

"No to pollution and massive environmental destruction" read one banner, while another urged the company to open a dialogue with residents.

"More than 5,000 hectares has been used," a resident called Ebeneser Ekango told AFPTV at the time, complaining there wasn't enough land to plant the staple crop cassava. "What do we eat?"

political speech at The White Helmets screening

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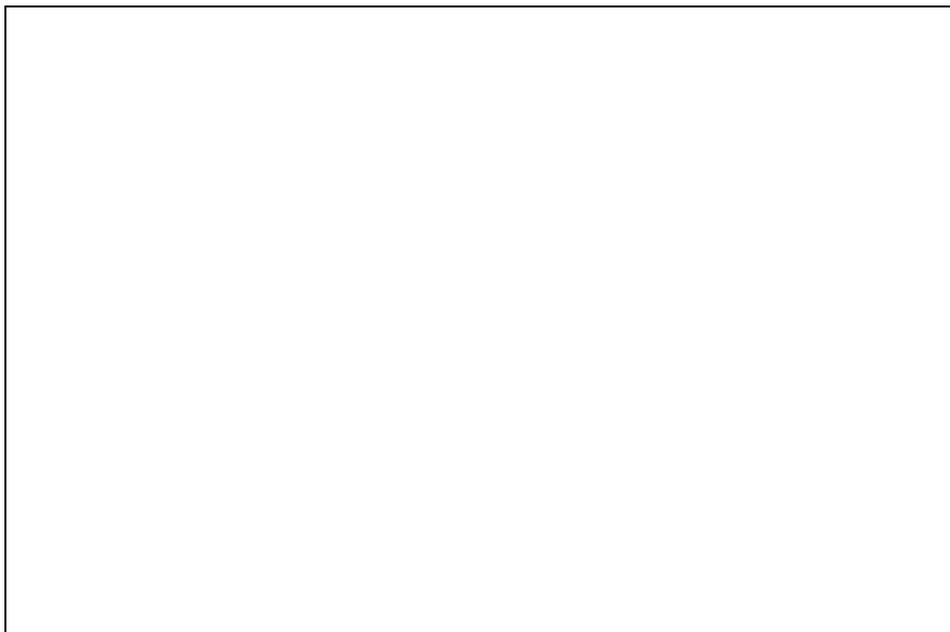
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Scarily accurate

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Greenpeace, which has complained that Socfin concessions have included old-growth forests, applauded the company publishing in December a responsible management policy commits to "eliminating deforestation".



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shows off her golden glow in lace bra top and semi-sheer crochet shorts as she embraces a tousled look on holiday

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Tickled pink

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resort on exotic girls' holiday
Living the dream

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She's already a proud mother to Lola

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Making light of situation

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The 58-year-old pop diva covers anniversary issue

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Taking the plunge

▶ **'It's absolutely massive!' Katie Price displays her pert behind in pink thong as hubby Kieran Hayler admits her bum looks huge after SEVENTH lift**

▶ **Cheery Hugh**

Grant joins partner Anna Eberstein to jet out of LA... after he was mistakenly announced as a winner at the Golden Globes

▶ **Goal! Eva Longoria is white hot as she takes centre stage at the Best FIFA Football Awards**
The 41-year-old star was a vision in a simple yet striking dress

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She caused a stir by posting a sexy selfie

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Did they make the wrong choice?

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▶ **From Italy, with love! Lindsay Lohan blows kisses at posh Italian event as she wears elegant monochrome dress**
Ciao, bella!

▶ **Milla Jovovich and Ali Larter coordinate in black and white at Mexico premiere for Resident Evil: Final Chapter**
Having a hoot

▶ **Kiss me babe! Chanel Iman gets a peck on the cheek from fun-loving Charlie Sheen as she arrives at party for their new film Mad Families**
Looked friendly

▶ **Sofia Richie pampers herself at the salon after a late night of fun at the Golden Globes afterparties**
Getting her nails done before shopping

▶ **Baby, it's cold outside! Rihanna wraps up in**

oversize jumpsuit and camouflage coat for night out in NYC

The Bajan beauty let her gorgeous mane flow

▶ **Carrie Fisher's death certificate confirms she died of a heart attack but underlying reason isn't known yet**

Suffered cardiac arrest on flight

▶ **Zoe Saldana looks angelic in head-to-toe white while attending Live By Night premiere with her supportive husband Marco Perego**

Look of love

▶ **Lisa Bonet, 49, and her much taller husband Jason Momoa, 37, looked very loved up as they put on cosy display at premiere**

Her very own superhero

▶ **What's so funny? Ben Affleck and Matt Damon are in hysterics as they share inside joke at Live By Night premiere**

Have been best pals for decades

▶ **Hugh-ge biceps! Hugh Jackman reveals MASSIVE muscles in two new stills from final Wolverine film as fans try too hard to find clues in caption**

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▶ **'I can only hope for the best': George Clooney says he fears 'terrible things' from the Trump presidency**

Said he hopes the tycoon can do a good job

▶ **Throw It In The bag! Rapper Ja Rule drops \$5k on designer shopping spree for wife Aisha in Sydney**

Enjoying his tour of Australia

▶ **Battle of the blondes! Elle Fanning and Sienna Miller take an elegant turn at premiere for Ben Affleck's Live By Night**

Looked simply angelic at the film's premiere

▶ **'She lit the curtains on fire and he smashed a lamp': Zayn Malik and Taylor Swift 'trashed £2,500-a-night hotel' for Fifty Shades Darker video**

▶ **What legal drama? Jim Carrey puts wrongful death case aside as he laughs and jokes while promoting new show I'm Dying Up Here**
Seemed carefree

▶ **Nina Dobrev bundles up in bright crimson coat and knee-high boots as she jets out of LA**
Always the star attraction

▶ **'What a proud moment!' Taraji P. Henson gushes as social drama Hidden Figures shocks Rogue One: A Star Wars Story at box office**

▶ **Red carpet ready...to shop! Mariah Carey wears form-fitting black evening gown as she enjoys some retail therapy in Beverly Hills**
Always the diva

▶ **Julia Roberts, 49, goes make-up free in denim playsuit for sweet outing with daughter Hazel**
The Oscar winner was spotted going make-up free

▶ **Millie Mackintosh wows in a deeply plunging blue camisole dress as she steps out for London Fashion Week Men's closing night dinner**

▶ **'I felt sick at first': GBBO's Ruby Tandoh reveals the reason behind THAT haircut (and why she's nervous holding her girlfriend's hand in public)**

▶ **Elsa Pataky looks a little sleepy day after dazzling on the Globes red carpet with husband Chris Hemsworth as she steps out with their children**

▶ **Chris Hemsworth and Elsa Pataky get a police escort to the Golden Globes: The Fast and Furious**

actress shares videos on their way to the event

▶ **Twin Peaks creator David Lynch and castmembers reunite to announce premiere date**

The 70-year-old filmmaker was joined by the cast

▶ **Retail therapy! Lamar Odom heads out in Beverly Hills as he continues his road to recovery and sobriety**

Checked out of a rehab facility last week

▶ **Flying under the radar! Emma Stone goes undercover in dark shades and cap as she departs LAX after record win at Golden Globes**

▶ **'I was very nervous. Words came out wrong': Tom Hiddleston apologises for 'inelegant' Golden Globes speech about South Sudan**

▶ **They're ready for The Good Fight! Christine Baranski and Rose Leslie star in new trailer for CBS streaming spin-off**

Played the mentor

▶ **Goodbye La La Land! Ryan Gosling leaves Los Angeles after his film made history by sweeping Golden Globes**

He had a lot to celebrate after the awards

▶ **'I've never been more turned off': Stassi Schroeder flees hot tub from drunken Kyle on Vanderpump Rules**

Not much luck since her split from Patrick

▶ **'I just didn't think it was fixable': Vanderpump Rules star Scheana Shay on the demise of her marriage**

Star explains the slow and painful decision

▶ **Stranger Things' Millie Bobby Brown opts for comfort in grey tracksuit as she departs LAX with fellow co-stars day after Golden Globes**

Living the dream

▶ **Sizzling hot! Victoria's Secret model Georgia Fowler flaunts trim pins and statuesque frame in a bikini as she**

holidays Down Under
Quite the attraction

▶ **Ruby Rose reveals her intense quick-fix health routine including vitamin syringes after falling VERY ill before appearance on The Ellen DeGeneres Show**

▶ **'So incredible watching this powerful soul interviewed': Jessica Origliasso supports girlfriend Ruby Rose during appearance on Ellen Degeneres Show**

▶ **Looking like a Billion bucks! Malin Akerman is a vision in white as she joins Damian Lewis at a panel for their Showtime series**

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Despite huge twist

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being objectified in movies and off-screen

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▶ **Red alert! Kourtney Kardashian keeps it casual in a tracksuit as she celebrates her friend's birthday**
Laid-back look in comfy sweatpants

▶ **Girls night in! Stranger Things star Millie Bobby Brown talks about best friend Maddie Ziegler and the pair's exciting first sleepover**

▶ **Ashley Graham admits she would love to play a Bond Girl... but only if Idris Elba was cast as 007**
She's said he's confident and sexy

▶ **'Bye Bye Baby is the worst song they could have picked!' Corrie fans slam 'sick' music choice as Michelle is rushed to hospital during stillbirth storyline**

▶ **Thigh's the limit! Hilary Duff shows off her toned legs in denim mini skirt and suede thigh-high boots**
Opted for a white fitted sweater

▶ **Cheat meal? Nicole Trunfio tucks into an In-N-Out burger after flaunting her very slender figure in a barely there dress at a Golden Globes bash**

▶ **Rear-ly good views! TOWIE's Megan McKenna flaunts her perky posterior in a skimpy black bikini as she enjoys Caribbean sunset**

▶ **Stella Maxwell looks hipster chic in leather and denim as she grabs her juice and coffee supermodel staple**
Once again in her favourite haunt

▶ **Kate Hudson flashes her chest at Golden Globes party after rumoured love interest Brad Pitt gets cheers from A-listers at awards show**

▶ **'I don't give a s*** about anything, yet I have opinions about everything': Lena Dunham's Hannah resumes efforts to be a writer in new Girls clip**

▶ **Mel Gibson, 60, admits he still doesn't have a name for his 9th child with pregnant girlfriend Rosalind Ross, 26... but hints couple are having a boy**

▶ **Showtime announces Twin Peaks premiere and teases the series is 'pure heroin of David Lynch'**
The two-hour premiere airs May 21

▶ **Amy Schumer slips into comfy clothes to jet out of LAX with Ben Hanisch after presenting a Golden Globe Award alongside Goldie Hawn**

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▶ **Hitting the six-month mark! Leonardo DiCaprio, 42, and Nina Agdal, 24, 'cuddle' at Jimmy Fallon's Golden Globes party as they mark anniversary**

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boozy hot tub session with housemates

▶ **Zendaya discusses how she survived a 'bad' break-up last year... but doesn't reveal the man behind her heartache**

She shared a slew of Instagram snaps

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Claims psychics helped her connect with both her future and her past

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▶ **No hiding it now! Model Irina Shayk can't help but show off a bump in tight-fitting parka as she strolls without 'fiance' Bradley Cooper in NYC**

Cover up girl

▶ **Make-up free Mollie King showcases her enviable beach body in skimpy white bikini during sun-soaked break to Jamaica**

Time for some sun

▶ **'Who barbecued Ryan Reynolds?!' Witty Twitter users mercilessly tease the actor over his VERY orange tan at the Golden Globes**

▶ **As stars steal their Golden Globes looks straight from the spring catwalks, FEMAIL reveals how YOU can translate them into everyday life**

▶ **Jamie Foxx 'caught up in violent altercation' at Hollywood's hottest spots**
Catch LA

The actor was allegedly approached by another customer in the eatery

▶ **A happy accident! After Sarah Jessica Parker inadvertently pays tribute to Princess Leia with her hairstyle at the Golden Globes, we detail the look**

▶ **Baby it's cold outside! Eva Longoria goes make-up free and shows off bikini body while enjoying hot tub in snow**

She's in Zurich, Switzerland to host the FIFA Football Awards

▶ **CBB's Stacy Francis gets VERY raunchy as she shares details of yearlong romance with Wesley Snipes**

Since entering the house, she's been decidedly candid

▶ **'I accept this award on behalf of psychopathic billionaires everywhere': Hugh Laurie takes a dig at Donald Trump in his Golden Globes acceptance speech**

▶ **Jade Thirlwall flaunts her enviably toned abs in skimpy pink bikini before revealing intricate back inking during beach break with boyfriend Jed Elliott**

▶ **'Everybody is good': Angelina Jolie's father Jon Voight talks family after Brad Pitt steps out at Golden Globes**

Insisted all is well for the family at an after-party

▶ **Back on mommy duty! Cate Blanchett carries son's backpack as she walks with him in NYC day after Broadway premiere of her play The Present**

▶ **Take that Gervais! Golden**

Globes ratings shoot up 1.5million viewers as Jimmy Fallon takes over hosting duties

▶ **She has a lot to be thankful for! Gwen Stefani keeps up her rock star creds in ripped jeans as she takes her three boys to church**

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▶ **Revealed - Kate's grey Sandringham hat was made from baby ALPACA fur... but designer says she only uses animals who 'die naturally'**

▶ **Davina McCall, 49, flaunts her incredibly toned abs and cleavage in an eye-catching vibrant bikini**
No need for a January diet for her

▶ **Trump fires back at Meryl and calls her 'one of the most over-rated actresses' as she labels him a 'disrespectful bully' in searing Golden Globes speech**

▶ **Secrets of an A-list body: We reveal how YOU can get Jake Gyllenhaal's thigh muscles**
The Hollywood actor is known for being

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▶ **Eagle-eyed Neighbours fans spot THREE spelling errors and a 'missing elbow'**

on the Australian soap's new opening credits (but did you notice them?)

▶ Ed Sheeran makes music history with his comeback singles as they smash records with 13 MILLION streams on one day

Beaten One Direction

▶ Back to glam! Olivia Culpo steps out looking oh so chic the morning after Golden Globes fun

Olivia Culpo, 24, looked flawless in full glam as she stepped out IN New York City

▶ Baby blunders! Parents send incredibly awkward photos of their precious children to Ellen DeGeneres for new talk show segment

▶ He brought his girlfriend and his ex-wife! La La Land director Damien Chazelle made a modern impression at the Golden Globes

▶ 'The Westbrook is back!' Danniella makes triumphant return to social media feeling 'happy and healthy'... eight months after hacking ordeal

▶ White Hot: Megyn Kelly lets her hair down, gets her cleavage out and flashes some leg while partying in revealing dress and \$850 Louboutins

▶ Jaime Winstone rocks quirky hooded ensemble as she's joined by her adorable baby Raymond at Vivienne Westwood menswear show in London

▶ Gaz Beadle's stunning girlfriend Emma McVey shares NAKED snap of Geordie Shore star in the bath... as they continue romantic Dubai break

▶ Lucy Watson displays killer bikini body aboard a boat in Barbados... as she and James Dunmore head home from their festive island getaway

▶ Andrew Garfield arrives to Golden Globe party with

Riley Keough after giving ex Emma Stone a standing ovation for her La La Land win
Suspicious Minds

▶ **'I do NOT take myself seriously': Curvy model Iskra Lawrence wears very sexy green bikini as she dances on the beach in LA**
Voluptuous vacation

▶ **Nicki Minaj and Meek Mill broke up because they had an 'explosive fight during her tropical birthday getaway'**
Fell out massively while on holiday

▶ **So chill! Karlie Kloss smiles brightly in snow-covered streets of New York City**
The model, 24, was full of energy on a very cold day

▶ **'I could buy a house with the money I spend on takeaways': Gemma Collins aims to get healthier on Sugar Free Farm... but is slammed for lazy attitude to work**

▶ **Brad Pitt gets his groove back! Angelina Jolie's handsome ex receives huge cheer of support from Hollywood pals at Golden Globes**
Worked the room

▶ **The Golden Globes in black-and-white! Emma Stone and Ryan Gosling pose for official awards show portraits in stunning portfolio**
The backstage shots

▶ **So in love: Wendi Deng, 48, enjoys a VERY intimate moment with her 21-year-old Hungarian toyboy lover during Caribbean getaway**

▶ **Cinderella, Jasmine, Rapunzel... and Leia? Passionate Star Wars fans launch a petition to make Carrie Fisher's character an official Disney princess**

▶ **'That's hilarious!' Emma Stone freaks out as she watches ex Andrew Garfield kiss Ryan Reynolds at Golden Globes**
Booze-fuelled event.

▶ **Going Solo: Harrison Ford is spotted out in**

snowy New York as he copes with the death of his Star Wars co-star Carrie Fisher

▶ **'Honest mistakes happen on live television': Al Roker gives impassioned defence of Jenna Bush Hager after 'Hidden Fences' gaffe**

▶ **'All you have got to do is text and we will be here': Did Richard Wilkins have to MESSAGE Keith Urban and Nicole Kidman for an interview?**

▶ **In bed with Jenna Dewan! Channing Tatum shares naked snap of wife after she dished on their 'primal' sex life**
Skipped Golden Globes to stay in bed

▶ **Feeling sore? Olly Murs sports painful-looking sunburn as he enjoys a beach day in sun-soaked Barbados**
Enjoying some well-deserved winter sun

▶ **Made In Chelsea's Louise Thompson flaunts her VERY peachy posterior in skimpy bikini bottoms for cheeky Instagram snap**

▶ **Dapper David looks every inch the country gent as he takes off-road car for a spin... amid claims the Beckhams are set to 'move to a £5m barn'**

▶ **Ashley James flaunts her ample assets and killer curves in skimpy yellow bikini as she shares sizzling throwback snap**
Mellow yellow

▶ **'I don't have many friends': Elle Fanning admits she's jealous of people with lots of pals... as she reveals social media leaves her feeling anxious**

▶ **Busty Kaley Cuoco looks happier than ever as she giggles with boyfriend Karl Cook at Golden Globes afterparty**
No holding her back

▶ **Kylie Jenner flashes her distinctive thigh scar in a busty metallic dress as she joins big sister Kendall at Golden Globes after-party**

From childhood
accident

▶ **Sterling effort!**
Sienna Miller
dazzles in silver
slip dress as she
heads to Golden
Globes after party
in second show-
stopping outfit of
the night

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Barlow continues
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love interest Chloe
as he puts
troubled
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behind him

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concerns over
beau Joe Swash's
bond with mum
Kiffy... and feared
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'fight for her man'

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presenting from
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Kate Beckinsale
shows off taut abs
in sizzling snap...
before hilariously
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are down':** Michelle
Keegan admits
she's not craving
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Ashton Kutcher
dress down for a
family breakfast in
Los Angeles with
their children
Wyatt, two, and
newborn son
Dmitri**
Snubbed Golden
Globes

▶ **'You can't go
wrong with a bit of
doggy!':** Duncan
James makes saucy
gaffe on Loose
Women... before
being scolded for
saying 'k***' live on
air

▶ **Time to shine!**
Drew Barrymore,
Sofia Vergara,
Natalie Portman
and Nicole Kidman
bring sparkle and
bold shoulders to
Golden Globe
Awards

▶ **Twitter erupts**

after Billy Bob Thornton squeezes past stony-faced ex Laura Dern at Golden Globes 18 YEARS after he dumped her for Angelina Jolie

▶ What divorce? Golden Globes host Jimmy Fallon glows alongside wife Nancy despite rumours they have been feuding over his partying

▶ Drew's that girl? Actress Barrymore is unrecognisable as she documents her VERY dramatic Golden Globes makeover in 'before and after' selfies

▶ 'I tricked someone into marrying me': Katie Piper reveals she faked confidence following acid attack... as Susanna Reid admits she does the same

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▶ Algerian concierge tied up during Kim Kardashian robbery will NOT be asked to ID 16 people held over the raid because he is no longer allowed in France

▶ A chain reaction: Kim Kardashian continues to shun million dollar diamonds for simple gold jewellery... as French police arrest 16 people over robbery

▶ 'I lost the plot a long time ago': Marco Pierre White Jr shares images of himself with a 'f*ing lot of cocaine' as he struggles to sleep following binge**

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▶ 'I didn't hear Meryl Streep give a shout out to the mentally challenged boy tortured on Facebook':

Kellyanne Conway piles in on Trump's attack on star

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Love life letter

▶ **Victoria Silvstedt, 42, showcases her eye-popping assets in barely-there black bikini while lapping up the sun during St Barts break**
Beach babe

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▶ **Who's that guy? Diane Kruger flashes a hint of leg in Eighties-inspired purple gown as she joins dashing mystery man at Golden Globes InStyle After Party**

▶ **Vicky Pattison enjoys steamy kiss with new boyfriend John Noble on London date night... after branding him 'the only man she's ever loved'**
Found 'The One'?

▶ **More trouble for Mariah as the diva 'is set to be SUED by tour promoters over canceled gigs in South America' just a week after New Year disaster**

▶ **Natasha Hamilton rocks chic mustard skirt and feathered jacket as she leaves final panto performance arm in arm with fiancé Charles Gay**
Loved up... again

▶ **TOWIE's Megan McKenna flaunts her tanned and toned pins in daring silver slit gown as she enjoys romantic dinner with beau Pete Wicks in Dubai**

▶ **Nikki Reed ditches her underwear in a racy cut-out gown as she cosies up to hunky husband Ian Somerhalder at InStyle's Golden Globes party**
Very daring look

▶ **Battle of the beading! Kaley Cuoco, Vanessa Hudgens and Hailey Baldwin shine bright at the Warner Bros. and InStyle Golden Globes party**

▶ **Peep show! Emily Ratajkowski flashes her panties as she swings open her split dress at Golden Globes afterparty**
Showed too much

▶ **Golden couple! Blake Lively shows off her post-pregnancy figure in plunging gown as she joins husband Ryan Reynolds at the Globes**
Everyone's favourites

▶ **Andrew Garfield smooches Ryan Reynolds at the Golden Globes after he loses out to ex Emma Stone... before giving her a standing ovation**

▶ **It's my turn to shine! Westworld star Luke Hemsworth and wife Samantha attend HBO's Official Golden Globe Awards After Party**
Razzle dazzle

▶ **The hills are alive! Emma Watson displays her impressive singing voice as she's seen crooning Beauty and the Beast's Belle for the first time**

▶ **Heidi Klum bares all as she goes topless on her balcony during Miami vacation with boyfriend Vito Schnabel**
Supermodel is enjoying her winter trip

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▶ **Petra Nemcova gives a saucy flash of side boob as she arrives at the Weinstein**

Company Golden Globes after-party in slinky scarlet gown

▶ **Ryan Gosling dedicates win to 'sweetheart' Eva Mendes while Emma Stone wells up as La La Land breaks record with SEVEN Golden Globes**

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▶ **The Crown's Claire Foy pays tribute to Queen Elizabeth as she wins at Globes... while Tom Hiddleston, Hugh Laurie and Olivia Colman win for Night Manager**

▶ **'No wonder Taylor Swift ended things!' Tom Hiddleston ridiculed on social media for making thank you speech about South Sudan a plug for his Night Manager show**

▶ **Reese Witherspoon enjoys girls' night out with dazzling Nicole Kidman as they clutch hands while leading stars at HBO Golden Globes After Party**

▶ **Braless Minka Kelly displays her ample cleavage in a plunging floral gown at Golden Globes after-party**

She certainly knew how to turn heads

▶ **Golden girls! Sofia Vergara dazzles in a semi-sheer gown as she gets hands-on with Priyanka Chopra at Golden Globes afterparty**

▶ **Making a statement! Actress Lola Kirke reveals her hairy armpits in a strapless gown on the Golden Globes red carpet**
Hairy situation

▶ **Posh and Becks join Chipping Norton set: Beckhams moving to a £5m country barn in a celeb hotspot loved by Prince Harry, Kate Moss and the Camerons**

▶ **Holly Willoughby shares loving kiss with husband Dan Baldwin as they enjoy family time with their children in sun-kissed Barbados**
Family fun in the sun

▶ **'She is a queen': Bryan Tanaka makes feelings for boss Mariah Carey clear before suffering injury on reality show**
The pair became an item soon after

▶ **Three's a crowd! Cringing Emma Stone apologises after VERY awkward hug with La La Land director Damien Chazelle as he kisses lover following win**

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▶ **John Travolta cosies up to stunning wife Kelly Preston on Golden Globes red carpet... as The People v. O.J. Simpson scoops two top prizes**

▶ **The show must go on! Cate Blanchett skips the Golden Globes to make her Broadway debut, before cuddling up to her husband at opening night party**

▶ **'By the way, he's married': Susanna Reid leaps to defence of Ryan Reynolds as she clashes with Piers Morgan over THAT Globes consolation kiss**

▶ **She's not shy! Justin Bieber's rumoured ex Sahara Ray goes topless in little more than gold nipple pasties during a Bali getaway**
Not scared to show off

▶ **How Ike and Tina lived: The Turners' home in LA where they lived before their bitter divorce has been**

preserved in a Seventies time-warp ever since and has now been sold for \$870,000

▶ **Aaron Taylor Johnson, 26, scores Golden Globe for Nocturnal Animals after cosying up to wife Sam, 49, on red carpet... after admitting he needed therapy for role**

▶ **Ryan Seacrest snubs Keith Urban during interview with wife Nicole Kidman as she crashes Tom Hiddleston's Q&A during at Golden Globes**

▶ **Bottom of the barrel! Sofia Vergara jokingly says anal instead of annual as she takes to the stage at the Golden Globes**
Oops!

▶ **Wish you were here! Chris Hemsworth's ADORABLE children sit with a Thor doll as they gleefully react to seeing their father on TV during the Golden Globes**

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▶ **Pretty in pink! Lily Collins and Felicity Jones add a touch of fairytale princess glamour to the red carpet at the Golden Globe Awards**

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His leading lady

▶ **'You don't have to wear one!' Evan Rachel Wood ditches the gown for a suit in David Bowie tribute at Golden Globes**
Red carpet rules don't suit her

▶ **Look, no tan lines! Heidi Klum wows in a strapless Golden Globes gown showing off her sun-kissed skin achieved by going topless in Miami**

▶ **Hilary Duff shows off her perky posterior in**

emerald green pillar gown as she flits between glitzy Golden Globes after-parties
Green goddess

▶ **The Colour Purple! Lea Michele dazzles in a shimmering gown at Golden Globe after-parties in LA**
Brought some Glee to proceedings

▶ **Heavily-pregnant Saffron Burrows shows off her baby bump in a figure-hugging black gown on the Golden Globes red carpet**

▶ **George Michael secretly flew to hospital in Vienna for treatment just one month before he died**
Had been treated there in 2011

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Stunning in sequins

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during cringe-worthy interview

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Kate Young dressed her

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They enjoyed a Dawson's Creek reunion

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Not tickled pink

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Looked sensational

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Set to hit the big screen as Wonder Woman

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Looked simply stunning in scarlet

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