

Debe's Tantrum

Directed by: [John Marshall](#) (1972)

Length: 9 minutes

Country: [Namibia](#) [Botswana](#)

Description: San parents rarely punish their children, believing it ineffective and a source of public conflict. In this film a five-year-old named Debe refuses to let his mother Di!ai go gathering without him. Di!ai appeals to her daughter N!ai to entertain the child but Debe resists. In the end Di!ai leaves with Debe on her back. This is a companion film to *The Wasp Nest* which shows Di!ai, Debe, and other women and children on the subsequent gathering expedition.

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