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## Annabel Crabb travels to the Top End to meet Senator Nova Peris

**Airs Wednesday, November 18 at 8pm on ABC**

Annabel travels to the Top End to meet Olympic gold medallist turned Labor Senator **Nova Peris**.

Peris introduces Annabel to her family's country in East Alligator, Kakadu, where they visit sacred rock art sites, prepare bush tucker on a campfire and eat dinner by a billabong teeming with crocodiles.

The Senator opens up about her amazing and at times challenging sporting career, her hardline parenting techniques, her tough start to politics as former PM Julia Gillard's 'Captains Pick' and racism in Australia.

Word of warning to the squeamish: the episode involves the pair plucking a magpie goose whose meat becomes the senator's dinner.

After a career as one of Australia's most versatile and successful athletes, **Nova Peris** was chosen by Julia Gillard in 2013 to be Labor senator for the Northern Territory. Peris won Australia's first indigenous Olympic gold medal for hockey in 1996, and then switched to track and field, winning Commonwealth gold. Nova Peris is an outspoken advocate for indigenous recognition in the constitution, and has a strong connection with her family's ancestral land in Kakadu National Park. Peris is married to Scott Appleton and has three children.

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