

123 IT'S FIGHT WEEK

Three Title Fights. Two Nations. One Epic Week Of Combat

5 May 2025



Johannesburg, South Africa – It's officially Fight Week for EFC 123: Africa's Best vs Brazil, and the countdown is on to one of the most anticipated cards in African MMA history. With three title fights, national pride on the line, and a full week of fan-accessible events, all roads lead to the EFC Hexagon this Thursday, 8 May, live from the World Sports Betting Arena at the EFC Performance Institute.

THREE TITLES ON THE LINE

Topping the bill is Light-Heavyweight Champion JC Lamprecht, defending his belt for the first time against Brazil's Édson "The Gladiator" Silva. Silva, a standout from Jungle Fight, steps in on short notice to challenge the undefeated CIT veteran in what promises to be a brutal technical showcase.

In the co-main event, Durban's beloved Amanda Lino returns to reclaim the Women's Flyweight Championship against Brazil's Mariana Salles, a fast-rising threat from the Pitbull Brothers camp. This bout has already ignited social media and is one of the most anticipated female title clashes in EFC history.

The third title bout sees Pretoria's Willie van Rooyen face off against Brazil's Kleberon Sousa for the vacant Men's Flyweight Belt. Both athletes bring elite-level conditioning and fight-finishing power to what could be a show-stealer.

FIGHT WEEK SCHEDULE

Tuesday – 6 May

Press Conference – 13:30 CAT

Doors open 13:00 | Open to spectators | Live on YouTube

Wednesday – 7 May

Official Weigh-In – 10:00 CAT

Doors open 9:30 | Open to spectators | Live on YouTube

Thursday – 8 May – Fight Night




Prelims – 15:00 | Live on [EFCWorldwide.TV](https://www.efcworldwide.com)

Main Card – 19:00 | Live on [EFCWorldwide.TV](https://www.efcworldwide.com) & global broadcast partners

*Doors open 14:40 – Accreditation required

FULL EFC 123 FIGHT CARD

MAIN CARD

-  Light-Heavyweight Title Bout – JC Lamprecht (c) vs Édson Silva
-  Vacant Women's Flyweight Title Bout – Amanda Lino vs Mariana Salles
-  Vacant Men's Flyweight Title Bout – Willie van Rooyen vs Kleberon Sousa
- Flyweight Bout – Terence Balelo vs Marcio Oliveira
- Welterweight Bout – Peace Nguphane vs Jaco du Plessis

PRELIM CARD

- Bantamweight Bout – Moses Mokhari vs Gift Walker
- Featherweight Bout – Mpho Hloka vs Francis Martin
- Catchweight Bout – Zhane Tannous vs Mark Kamba
- Lightweight Bout – Marcel Els vs Emmanuel Sita
- Featherweight Bout – Robert Miyaba vs Tshepo Majuba
- Bantamweight Bout – Allistar Kunene vs William Lekana
- Flyweight Bout – Tebatso Molele vs Vuyo Jula

With twelve matchups, three gold belts on the line, and two proud nations colliding, this is a fight week not to be missed.

EFC 123 Africa's best vs Brazil takes place on Thursday 8th May 2025, live from the World Sports Betting Arena at the EFC Performance Institute in JHB, South Africa.

Broadcast information at www.efcworldwide.com