

Tour Report

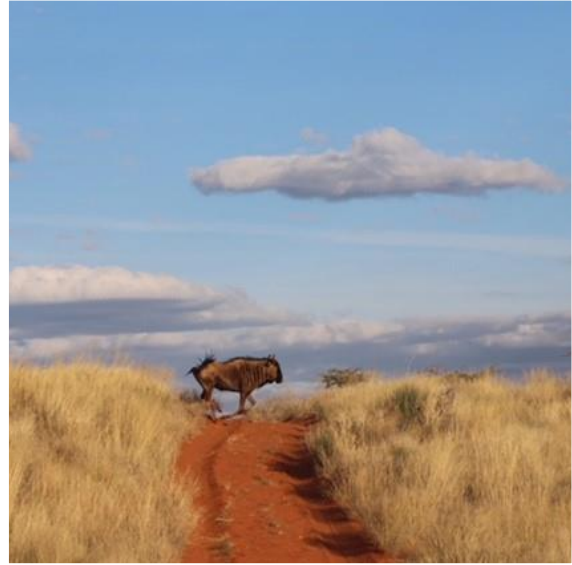
South Africa's Rare Mammals in Style

10 - 19 June 2022

Brown hyena



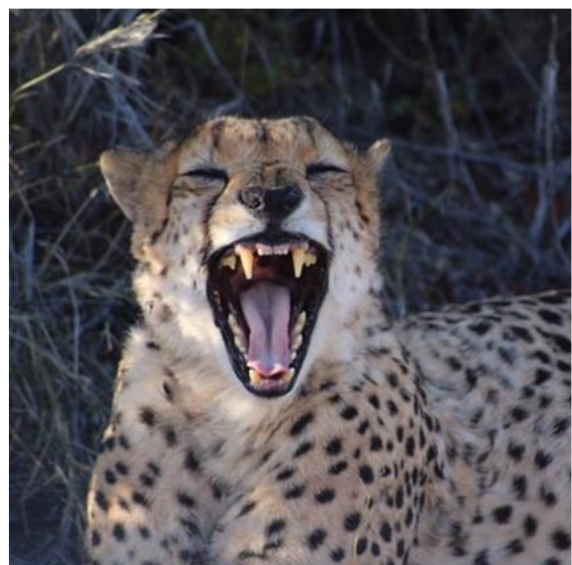
Blue wildebeest



Wild dog



Cheetah



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Tswalu Private Game Reserve, in South Africa's Northern Cape, is a vast conservation area located in the 'green Kalahari'. We spend seven nights here, in an exclusively booked lodge, complete with our private chef, two vehicles and guide and tracker teams. Morning drives last around 5-6 hours and afternoons 4+, so expect longer than average days in the field taking in wonderful wildlife and landscapes. Tswalu is home to four of the Big Five (there are no elephant here) as well as cheetah, brown and spotted hyena and smaller cats and canids. It is also renowned for its rare mammal sightings, including creatures such as aardwolf, armadillo and pangolin. By travelling in winter (it does get cold!), we hope to see these nocturnals as they commence foraging earlier in the afternoon and predators may well be active for longer in crepuscular hours.

Day 1: Depart London

Friday 10 June 2022

The group departed from London Heathrow on time for their overnight direct flight to Johannesburg with BA.

Day 2: Arrive Tswalu, afternoon game drive

Saturday 11 June 2022

Weather: Sunny, 22°C

Landing slightly ahead of schedule, they were met off the aircraft and were assisted through immigration formalities before joining tour leader Helen in the Arrivals Hall. We were then all transferred across to Fireblade Aviation where we took full advantage of the showers, day rooms and catering service on-site, enjoying a leisurely cooked breakfast. The final two members of the group joined us there and the group spent the morning chatting and getting to know each other.

At noon, we boarded two separate aircraft to Tswalu, landing 90 minutes later. We were met by Nigel, the Head of Hospitality as well as our guides, Dave and Richard, and our trackers, David and Sips. After a drink and some nibbles, we set off on our first game drive, agreeing to head to the lodge later. We had two open-sided, un-roofed vehicles with four and seven seats respectively so every seat was a window seat.

We set off, taking in several birds en route including some 'regulars' such as ant-eating chat, sociable weaver, Kalahari scrub-robin, Marico flycatcher, Cape turtle dove, white-browed sparrow weaver, helmeted guineafowl and Burchell's sandgrouse before our attention was diverted by a couple of gemsbok soaking up the afternoon sunshine. Whilst watching them, we noticed ground squirrels and then suricates (meerkats) and spent quite some time watching their antics and photographing them. We then heard on the radio that wild dog had been seen not far away and we headed to the area to try our luck. Suddenly plains game were out in force but we prioritised the dogs, passing giraffe, kudu, Hartmann's mountain zebra, springbok and steenbok en route.

We turned a corner and suddenly had three dogs trotting towards us and passing right beside our vehicle completely unperturbed by our presence! We did a quick 180 and proceeded to follow them as they headed south, leapfrogging with our other vehicle to ensure that everyone got good views. They moved into the bush and we followed off-road, adrenaline levels soaring as we saw them approach a female gemsbok and her calf. We inadvertently flushed out an African wild cat that shot out to our right and we watched as the female gemsbok backed into blackthorn, protecting her calf and facing the dogs head on. Her formidable horns deterred the dogs and as they continued their travels, the two gemsbok bolted, unsurprisingly, in the opposite direction. We continued to follow the dogs as they pressed on in their search for prey. We watched as several ostrich saw them coming from a way off, and ran towards the dunes. The dogs then came across two warthogs, that also bolted, and as the sun began to set, we realised we had been with the hunting trio for over an hour! The magic of Tswalu was already unfolding!

We stopped for sundowners and toasted our first sunset in this fabulous place before commencing our night drive home to Tarkuni. Half an hour and another wild cat later, we arrived at the lodge, to be

welcomed by buffalo at our waterhole. We settled in by a roaring fire and after time to freshen up, we enjoyed our first three-course meal (carrot and cumin soup, beef fillet and apple crumble) and heard quite a few entertaining travel stories before retiring to bed.

Day 3: Morning and afternoon safaris

Sunday 12 June 2022

Weather: Sunny and initially windy, 22°C

We were woken up at 06:00 for breakfast or snacks before setting off on our first-morning drive at 06:45. Hot water bottles on our laps, and not far from the lodge, we came across a small herd of impala and a large troop of baboons making quite a hullabaloo. We stopped and watched them for 15 minutes or so as they moved across the mountain, starting their daily routine.

As we continued our drive, our tracker suddenly put his hand up to stop the vehicle and he pointed out fresh cat tracks on the road. We reversed and could see that the tracks went off the road in a westerly direction. Before we could even register this, a male cheetah was spotted lying in the grass metres from us! We pulled off the road and as we approached, we came across another, lying underneath a small mound, using a thick bush as protection from the wind. Thrilled, we watched them stretch, yawn and sleep off what looked like quite a large recent meal as the rest of the group joined us. The sun came over the mountain and slowly illuminated the grasses around us and we spent 45 minutes with them, rewarded for our patience by them getting up, stretching repeatedly and walking across to a sunnier spot. Fabulous! We left them to it and made our way to a pan for morning tea and coffee. With wonderful roan and sable sightings on the way, we then spent an hour or so birding, getting our species list off to a great start!

Returning to the lodge for brunch (via the cheetah brothers again for one vehicle), the group were able to have a good look around the outside living space, enjoy the kudus and warthogs frequenting the waterhole, and relax before heading out into the bush again (after high tea of course!) at 15:30.

One vehicle stopped not far from the lodge for an unusual sighting of a spotted eagle owl sitting in the middle of the road. We wondered if it may be injured as it simply sat there and stared at us but as we pulled over to the side of the road, it flew to the road edge and watched us from there. Our tracker then pointed out a brown hyena in the distance walking down the road towards us. With either a kill or a scavenged piece of meat in its jaws, we patiently waited with bated breath as it continued to trot towards us. Coming ever closer, it finally noticed us and stopped in its tracks approximately 40 metres away from us. It then turned 90 degrees so we could appreciate its long-haired profile (not unlike an alsatian), before moving off into the bush. What a great start to our afternoon!

Our focus, however, was pangolin, and we spent the afternoon searching the dunes for signs of activity. Over the crests and into the dunes streets (or valleys as they are known) we went, over and over, stopping regularly to check for tracks. As the sun began to set, we realised luck was not on our side today but that didn't stop us from taking in the sheer beauty of the environment. We stopped on top of a dune for sundowners and then had a two-hour night drive taking in numerous porcupine sightings alongside black-backed jackal, springhare (bush kangaroos!), scrub hare, more spotted eagle owls and a spotted thick knee.

Once home, we gathered around the fire pit for a drink before dinner was served under the stars in the boma. More travelling stories unfurled as the group got to know each other further and Amarula by the fire finished off another lovely evening.

Day 4: Morning and afternoon safaris

Monday 13 June 2022

Weather: Sunny and windy, 24°C

Six o'clock wake-up calls prepared us for departure at 06:45 and we set off in a westerly direction accompanied by very strong winds. We drove for an hour, once again taking in the vast landscape, before coming to a flatter area past the dunes. Here we came across fresh rhino tracks by a pan and we immediately started following them. They went off-road into the bush and as Seeps looked up in the appropriate direction, he saw a white rhino mother and calf pair, so we headed their way. They started to run, putting distance between us, so we decided to respect their space and leave them alone when suddenly we noticed another five to our left! We watched them for a while as they became accustomed to our presence and then Seeps noted more spoor, so we went a little further into the bush. We soon came across our original mother and calf with another mother and calf and a lone adult. Ten white rhino in the space of a few minutes - wow! They were a little skittish so we returned to the static five and enjoyed some wonderful photographic opportunities.

Our travels towards morning tea and coffee at a pan surrounded by wildebeest, gemsbok, springbok and various sandgrouse, also took us past a young giraffe and its mother. Just gorgeous! We turned back towards the mountains and Tarkuni, enjoying flying kori bustards, eland and scimitarbill along the way. We passed regular small groups of mixed antelope, possibly a 'safety in numbers' preventative measure against predators potentially utilising the strong winds to mask their approach.

After another hearty brunch at the lodge, and time to relax, we set off again at 15:30 for our afternoon and night drive. Once again, our efforts were to be concentrated on pangolin, aardvark and other rare mammals. One vehicle got off to a good start with a fleeting glimpse of an aardwolf but the others proved to be elusive. Traversing the dunes, there was plenty of other wildlife to be seen including a wonderful display from a red-crested Korhaan (who lived up to his name of the suicide bird), and a fantastic sighting of a lone black rhino. Completely unaware of our presence, we watched him eating seed pods from the ground before he sauntered off when we started one of our engines.

Soon it was time for sundowners and we watched a fabulous sunset from atop a dune. Another two-hour night drive followed back home and along the way, between the two vehicles, we saw spotted hyena, Verreaux's eagle owl, pearl spotted owlet, springhare, porcupine and scrub hare. We also had kudu and mountain zebra beautifully illuminated by the almost full moon.

Day 5: Day safari

Tuesday 14 June 2022

Weather: cloudy and rain to start, then sunny and windy, 18°C

With a full-day safari planned for today, we decided to have a 15-minute lie-in and leave the lodge at 07:00. The weather had other ideas, however, and the approaching cold front brought in a pattering of unseasonal rain which delayed our departure until 07:20. We then headed north-east and as the sun began to break through the cloud, found ourselves surrounded by over 20 Southern giraffe. Mainly young males, they kept us entertained with repeated necking, practising the skills they will one day need to assert the right to mate. Later, we came across red hartebeest mixing with gemsbok and then three white rhino in a valley below us, before indulging in some birding by a waterhole with morning tea and coffee. As a Burchell's sandgrouse soaked up water in his chest feathers to take back to his chicks, a herd of springbok joined us and wowed us with their athleticism as they ran and leapt, to-ing and fro-ing past us.

We were ideally looking for lion in this area so our quest continued as we drove the roads searching for their spoor. After getting held up by another 20-strong group of giraffe, we finally came across three females, three sub-adults and a Kalahari black-maned male resting not far from the road. We pulled alongside them and marvelled at their condition. The male wasn't budging but the rest of the pride moved

position regularly, seeking sun and shade respectively and one particular young male stole the show with his incredible looks!

After spending quite some time with them, we continued to our lunch stop, where our fabulous team from Tarkuni surprised us with their presence. They had set up quite a spread at an old house built into the side of a mountain. Lunch with a view? Don't mind if we do! Rockmartins and Marico sun birds flew below us and the Kalahari stretched endlessly into the distance. Tearing ourselves away, we decided to check on the lions once more and sure enough, they hadn't gone far. Later, our route back to the lodge afforded us sightings of plains game including the addition of common duiker and quite a few birds to our ever-growing species list. An incredible spot by one vehicle's tracker saw us oohing and aahing over the tiniest Burchell's sandgrouse chicks we'd ever seen. On the side of the road, our tyres must have missed them by millimetres! Being not more than perhaps two and a half inches long, and mini replicas of the adults, the parent had flown off at our approach so we didn't stay long, hoping they would reunite immediately.

A quick turnaround at the lodge, and we were collected for our transfer to Klein Jan at 17:00. With spotted and two brown hyena seen along the way, our evening was off to a great start. Devised by renowned South African chef (the country's first Michelin-starred chef), Jan Hendrick van der Westhuizen, this is a food experience that Tswalu are deservedly proud of. The evening showcases the Kalahari, the food is presented as art with appropriate wine pairings, and the experience takes three to four hours. Spotting springhare, genet (type not verified so it has not been added to the species list), scrub hare and spotted eagle owl on our late transfer back to the lodge, essentially a night drive, rounded off the night nicely!

Day 6: Morning and afternoon safaris

Wednesday 15 June 2022

Weather: sunny, 15°C

Meerkats were on our minds this morning. Leaving the lodge at 07:15, we drove to the burrow site of a habituated group (there are several here) and sat with them as they warmed up in the morning sunshine. Engaging and endearing in equal measure, we sat amongst them quietly as they scampered around us, appointing sentries to guard against terrestrial and aerial danger. Stretching, yawning and fighting off sleep whilst being 'on guard', we delighted as their heads occasionally rolled forward as they fought off sleep. Two Pygmy falcons perched in a camel thorn above us and a few hundred photos later, we continued to The Motse (Tswalu's other lodge) for morning tea and coffee. One group was delayed by several black-backed jackal sightings but upon arrival, we all enjoyed birdwatching from the pool intermixed with visits to the on-site gallery and shop.

Wrapped up warm as the cold front had well and truly arrived, we set off for our afternoon safari at 15:30. Gemsbok, red hartebeest and wildebeest dotted the dunes and a pair of black-shouldered kites perched obligingly against the hazy blue sky. A purple roller was added to our species list and at one point, we stopped to check whether a large bird walking through the far distant grass was a secretary bird or a kori bustard. It was a kori but whilst scanning the surrounding area, one of the clients made the spot of the century! Sitting upright in the long grass, was a cheetah. Only its head was visible and we sat and watched it through our binoculars for a while before slowly turning off-road to try and get a little closer. It immediately bolted (the wildlife far out in the dunes is often a little more skittish than that found closer to the mountains) but it was a wonderful spot regardless! The same client obviously had carrots for lunch as at our sundowner spot by a waterhole later, she saw an animal crossing the road, heading into the scrub. It had a thick bushy tail and when it crossed back some time afterwards, it was confirmed as a brown hyena! It was a chilly and quiet night drive home but we'd had another wonderful day!

Day 7: Morning and afternoon safaris

Thursday 16 June 2022

Weather: sunny, 17°C

Enjoying a precious few additional degrees this morning, we set off into the valley behind the lodge, noting the frost on the sandy roads! Stopping to look at Hartmann's mountain zebra climbing a slope above us to take advantage of the morning sunshine, we noticed a buffalo feeding literally by the side of the road. Nonplussed, he watched us and then continued with his grassy meal as we enjoyed his proximity. We then stopped a little further on to view a pearl spotted owlet, which was sharing its surroundings with dusky sunbirds, a long-billed crombec and a pririt batis, before parking up by a trail leading to an ancient bushmen site where petroglyphs may be seen.

Walking through the valley, we scanned the surrounding hillsides for rock hyraxes but they were sensibly avoiding the cold! We were able to hear the trickle of water, not something usually associated with the dry Kalahari, and we followed the natural spring until we reached an open area of rock. Here, eland and ostrich could be seen etched into the rock (as opposed to being painted on), and we marvelled at how they have survived the elements and avoided being eroded by wind and water. Mysterious circles appear everywhere but the language spoken by bushmen in this area was lost almost 200 years ago so it is difficult to interpret what the petroglyphs represent. After a little time taking in the mystery of the place, we walked back along the spring, taking in the numerous inflorescences of the grasses surrounding us, and returned to the vehicles for tea and coffee with a sable! We then continued with our drive.

At around 11:00, we stopped in a valley clearing for a surprise bush breakfast. Sparkling wine was handed out as we took in the scene and we soon demolished our veritable feast (another one!) of eggs, bacon, boerewors (local sausage) and braai broodjies (barbecue toasted cheese sandwiches) with salad.

Mother Nature pulled out all of the stops on our afternoon drive as he headed into the dunes once more on our rare species quest. We watched a large gathering of giraffe crest a dune to the west as we dropped our trackers off to walk a particular set of dunes to the east, where there had been some recent pangolin activity. Driving away to loop around them and check for tracks from the road, a super herd of eland crossed in front of us. Around the same weight as a Cape buffalo, it is difficult to appreciate the sheer size of these animals (Africa's largest antelope), especially en masse, until you are close to them. We continued and one vehicle flushed out an aardwolf that must have been foraging right next to the road. It flew into the bush as we passed and we all caught its outline as it ran through the long, straw-coloured grass. Fabulous!

Keeping in constant radio contact with our trackers, they had picked up tracks for pangolin and we circled back to where we had left them. Jumping off the vehicles, we proceeded in single file, across the dunes for around a mile, until we could see them in the distance. Adopting silence as we got closer, they pointed out the pangolin's position and we cautiously approached. She edged towards a tree thorn and hunkered down but we could see her back clearly. The sun was by now quite low in the sky, so we stayed perhaps 15 minutes, before walking back into the sunset to return to our vehicles. After a celebratory gin and tonic in the dark under the incredible night sky, we headed home. It wasn't over yet, however, as one vehicle saw bat-eared fox and a shape in the road that turned out to be an aardvark! What a day!

Day 8: Morning and afternoon safaris

Friday 17 June 2022

Weather: sunny, 22°C

The group split this morning, with one vehicle choosing to visit another meerkat colony and another going on a general search for wildlife. Agreeing to meet up either for morning tea or coffee in the bush, or back at the lodge, depending on sightings, off we went.

Those going to the meerkats fell completely under their spell once more. Although they took a while to come out of their burrow, the group had young and they proved to be popular. They were super inquisitive about both humans and their equipment, at one point even going up to a Go-Pro set up on a small tripod and pushing it over!

The other group started well with a black rhino running down a dune and across the valley floor below. A few waterhole visits showed that lion had been through the area probably the day before and we searched the area for more signs of activity. As we started descending a dune, our guide pointed out a dark shape at the end of the road ahead of us. As we peered through our binoculars, she turned out to be a lone female. As we approached, she watched us, quite unconcerned by our presence, and one of the trackers advised she looked pregnant. With a relatively short gestation period of only three and a half months, perhaps we'll be watching her young on our 2023 departures! , We radioed the other vehicle and they came to join us before we headed for home. The waterhole proved to be popular between drives with kudu, impala, ground squirrels and warthogs (including two youngsters) coming very close to the outside area where we were sitting.

Our afternoon drive crisscrossed valleys and dunes, providing us with numerous bat-eared fox sightings as well as a tense few moments watching a herd of impala after they made repeated alarm calls. When no predators materialised, we left the area and followed a black-backed jackal trotting along the road ahead of us. It moved to the side of the road to investigate a low bush and we anticipated that it may try and eat some berries. Its body language suddenly changed however and as we approached to see why we found a puff adder coiled underneath the bush. The jackal went on its way fairly quickly, unsurprisingly, and we watched the snake move to another bush and disappear in front of our eyes. It may be winter but they are still taking advantage of warming up in the sun now and again.

The sun was beginning its descent into the horizon so we headed to a dune crest to take in our final sunset of the trip and as we rounded a corner, bumped into Hardy and Denver from Tarkuni, who had set up sundowners for us! Chairs with blankets had been arranged in a semi-circle around a fire pit, looking out towards the western horizon and a converted Land Rover was a mobile bar. Genius! We sipped our G&Ts and wine as the sky turned yellow, orange and then crimson and we stayed until we could see the Milky Way appearing above us. What a magical place Tswalu is. Cape fox was added to the mammals species list on the way home and our last dinner was a family-style affair of fried chicken, mash, greens and freshly made bread. We toasted a wonderful holiday and swapped contact details before retiring to pack and prepare for tomorrow.

Day 9: Morning safari and departure

Saturday 18 June 2022

Weather: sunny, 23°C

The group had opted for a game drive this morning, culminating in being dropped off at the airstrip at 10:00. After breakfast at the lodge, we set off in a northerly direction and soon heard that a female cheetah had been spotted not far from The Motse. We searched the area but had been advised that she was a little skittish. Our search then threw up tracks for two males who may have been following her. Our trackers jumped off the vehicles and set off to continue the search on foot while we traversed nearby roads. The trackers informed us that the cheetah males had been chasing a subadult gemsbok but appeared to have been unsuccessful and may have been chased off by an adult. After some time and no success, we headed towards the airstrip with one group taking in a few lion just off the road en route (as you do)!

It was then time to say thank you and farewell to our simply superb guide and tracker teams before boarding the charter flight back to Joburg. It really had been a fantastic week and there would be time for showers and (re)packing at Fireblade Aviation before being transferred to the international terminal for their overnight flight back to Heathrow.

Day 10: Arrive UK

Sunday 19 June 2022

Please note that in the list below, species have been listed on the first day that they were seen. They may have been seen again later in the itinerary.



Checklist



	Common Name	Scientific Name	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 7	Day 8	Day 9
	BIRDS	<i>AVES</i>								
1	Ant-eating chat	<i>Myrmecocichla formicivora</i>	✓							
2	Sociable weaver	<i>Philetairus sicius</i>	✓							
3	Kalahari scrub-robin		✓							
4	Burchell's sandgrouse	<i>Pterocles burchelli</i>	✓							
5	Marico flycatcher	<i>Bradornis mariquensis</i>	✓							
6	Cape turtle dove	<i>Streptopelia capicola</i>	✓							
7	Lilac-breasted roller	<i>Coracias caudatus</i>	✓							
8	White-browed sparrow-weaver	<i>Plocepasser mahali</i>	✓							
9	Pale chanting goshawk	<i>Melierax canorus</i>	✓							
10	Helmeted Guineafowl	<i>Numida meleagris</i>	✓							
11	Cape glossy starling	<i>Lamprotornis nitens</i>	✓							
12	Ostrich	<i>Struthio camelus</i>	✓							
13	South African shelduck	<i>Tadorna Cana</i>	✓							



14	Crowned lapwing	<i>Vanellus coronatus</i>	✓								
15	Kori bustard	<i>Ardeotis kori</i>	✓								
16	Speckled pigeon	<i>Columba guinea</i>	✓								
17	Southern yellow-billed hornbill	<i>Tockus leucolelas</i>	✓								
18	Black-chested prinia	<i>Prinia flavicans</i>		✓							
19	Yellow canary	<i>Crithagra flaviventris</i>		✓							
20	White-backed mousebird	<i>Colius colius</i>		✓							
21	Short-toad rock-thrush	<i>Monticola brevipes</i>		✓							
22	African red-eyed bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus nigricans</i>		✓							
23	Fork-tailed drongo	<i>Dicrurus adsimilis</i>		✓							
24	Blacksmith lapwing	<i>Vanellus armatus</i>		✓							
25	Double-banded sandgrouse	<i>Pterocles bicinctus</i>		✓							
26	Crimson-breasted shrike	<i>Laniarius atrococcineus</i>		✓							
27	Chestnut-vented tit-babbler	<i>Sylvia subcaeruleum</i>		✓							
28	Violet-eared waxbill	<i>Granatina granatina</i>		✓							
29	Black faced waxbill	<i>Estrilda erythronotos</i>		✓							
30	African grey hornbill	<i>Tockus nasutus</i>		✓							
31	Acacia pied barbet	<i>Tricholaema leucomelas</i>		✓							

32	Rock Martin	<i>Ptyonoprogne fuligula</i>		✓						
33	Laughing dove	<i>Streptopelia senegalensis</i>		✓						
34	Brown-crowned tchagra	<i>Tchagra australis</i>		✓						
35	Dusky sunbird	<i>Cinnyris fuscus</i>		✓						
36	Green-winged pytilia	<i>Pytilia melba</i>		✓						
37	Shaft-tailed whydah	<i>Vidua regia</i>		✓						
38	Red-billed firefinch	<i>Lagonostica senegala</i>		✓						
39	Southern grey-headed sparrow	<i>Passer diffusus</i>		✓						
40	Black-throated canary	<i>Crithagra atrogularis</i>		✓						
41	Blue waxbill	<i>Uraeginthus angolensis</i>		✓						
42	Red-billed quelea	<i>Quelea quelea</i>		✓						
43	Spotted eagle-owl	<i>Bubo africanus</i>		✓						
44	Red-crested korhaan	<i>Lophotis ruficrista</i>		✓						
45	Eastern clapper lark	<i>Mirafra fasciolata</i>		✓						
46	Spotted thick-knee	<i>Burhinus capensis</i>			✓					
47	Scaly feathered finch	<i>Sporopipes squamifrons</i>			✓					
48	Fawn coloured lark	<i>Calendulauda africanoides</i>			✓					
49	Common scimitarbill	<i>Rhinopomastus cyanomelas</i>			✓					

50	Secretary bird	<i>Sagittarius serpentarius</i>			✓					
51	Pygmy falcon	<i>Polihierax semitorquatus</i>			✓					
52	Cardinal woodpecker	<i>Dendropicos fuscescens</i>			✓					
53	Golden-breasted bunting	<i>Emberiza flaviventris</i>			✓					
54	Northern black korhaan	<i>Afrotis afraoides</i>			✓					
55	Common fiscal	<i>Lanius collaris</i>			✓					
56	Verreux's eagle owl	<i>Bubo lacteus</i>			✓					
57	Pearl-spotted owlet	<i>Glaucidium perlatum</i>			✓					
58	Egyptian goose	<i>Alopochen aegyptiaca</i>				✓				
59	Familiar chat	<i>Cercomela familiaris</i>				✓				
60	Namaqua dove	<i>Oena cape sis</i>				✓				
61	Orange river francolin	<i>Scleroptila levaillantoides</i>				✓				
62	Swallow-tailed bee-eater	<i>Metops malimbicus</i>				✓				
63	Southern masked weaver	<i>Ploceus velatus</i>				✓				
64	Chat flycatcher	<i>Bradornis infuscatus</i>				✓				
65	Mountain wheatear	<i>Oenanthe monticola</i>				✓				
66	Fiscal flycatcher	<i>Sigelus silens</i>				✓				
67	Pririt batis	<i>Batis pririt</i>				✓				

68	Cape sparrow	<i>Passer melanurus</i>					✓				
69	Marico sunbird	<i>Cinnyris manoansis</i>						✓			
70	House sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>						✓			
71	Red-headed finch	<i>Amadina erythrocephala</i>						✓			
72	Cape bunting	<i>Emberiza capensis</i>						✓			
73	Black-shouldered kite	<i>Elanus caeruleus</i>						✓			
74	Purple roller	<i>Coracias naevius</i>						✓			
75	Black-chested snake eagle	<i>Circaetus pectoralis</i>							✓		
76	Long-billed crombec	<i>Sylvietta rufescens</i>							✓		
77	Gabar goshawk	<i>Micronisus gabar</i>							✓		
78	Bokmakierie	<i>Telophorus zealous</i>								✓	
79	Namaqua sandgrouse	<i>Pterocles namaqua</i>								✓	
80	Capped wheatear	<i>Oenanthe pileata</i>								✓	
	MAMMALS	MAMMALIA									
1	Gemsbok	<i>Oryx gazella</i>	✓								
2	Impala	<i>Aepyceros melampus</i>	✓								
3	Ground squirrel	<i>Xerus inauris</i>	✓								
4	Meerkat/suricate	<i>Suricate suricatta</i>	✓								

5	Steenbok	<i>Raphicerus campestris</i>	✓										
6	Southern giraffe	<i>Giraffa camelopardalis</i>	✓										
7	Hartman's mountain zebra	<i>Equus zebra hartmannae</i>	✓										
8	Springbok	<i>Antidorcas marsupialis</i>	✓										
9	Kudu	<i>Tragelaphus strepsiceros</i>	✓										
10	Wild dog	<i>Lycaon pictus</i>	✓										
11	Blue wildebeest	<i>Connochaetes taurinus</i>	✓										
12	African wildcat	<i>Felis silvestris cafra</i>	✓										
13	Warthog	<i>Phacochoerus africanus</i>	✓										
14	Buffalo	<i>Syncerus caffer</i>	✓										
15	Chacma baboon	<i>Papio hamadryas ursinus</i>		✓									
16	Cheetah	<i>Acinonyx jubatus</i>		✓									
17	Roan	<i>Hippotragus equinus</i>		✓									
18	Sable	<i>Hippotragus niger</i>		✓									
19	Brown hyena	<i>Hyaena brunnea</i>		✓									
20	Black-backed jackal	<i>Canis mesomelas</i>		✓									
21	Plains zebra	<i>Equus quagga</i>		✓									
22	Red hartebeest	<i>Alcelaphus buselaphus</i>		✓									

23	Springhare	<i>Pedetes capensis</i>		✓						
24	Scrub hare	<i>Lepus saxatilis</i>		✓						
25	Porcupine	<i>Hystrix africaeaustralis</i>		✓						
26	Yellow mongoose	<i>Cynictus penicillata</i>			✓					
27	White rhino	<i>Ceratotherium simum</i>			✓					
28	Eland	<i>Taurotragus oryx</i>			✓					
29	Aardwolf	<i>Proteles cristata</i>			✓					
30	Black rhino	<i>Diceros bicornis</i>			✓					
31	Spotted hyena	<i>Crocuta crocuta</i>			✓					
32	Lion	<i>Panthera leo</i>				✓				
33	Common duiker	<i>Sylvicapra grimmia</i>				✓				
34	Pangolin	<i>Manis temminckii</i>						✓		
35	Aardvark	<i>Orycteropus afer</i>						✓		
36	Bat-eared fox	<i>Otocyon megalotis</i>						✓		
37	Cape fox	<i>Vulpes chama</i>							✓	
	OTHER									
1	African Monarch butterfly	<i>Danaus chrysippus</i>		✓						
2	Green vegetable bug	<i>Nezara viridula</i>			✓					

3	Zebra white butterfly	<i>Pinacopteryx eriphia</i>								✓	
4	Painted lady butterfly	<i>Cynthia cardui</i>								✓	
5	Puff adder	<i>Bitis arietans</i>								✓	

