

## TANZANIA:

BIRDING AMONG THE

BEASTS
A Tropical Birding Custom Tour

March 7-19, 2018 Guide: Ken Behrens

All photos taken by Ken Behrens during this trip

## **TOUR SUMMARY**

Northern Tanzania is a special place. There is no other country on the continent that comes closer to realizing the Africa of most people's dreams and imaginations. Here are sweeping savannah landscapes, beautiful skies, seemingly endless herds of wildebeest and zebra, abundant big predators, and conspicuous and colorful birds aplenty. Actually there is even more here than the Africa of stereotypes... there is dry thornscrub full of jewel-like birds, lush montane forests tromped by African Buffalo and Elephants, and even fever tree woodland, like some absurd dream of a Nordic barbarian grown weary of snow and pine trees. If someone wanted to make one trip to Africa and really experience the essence of the continent, at least its best parts, I would have to recommend this tour.

This tour was a success by any measure. We racked up 458 species of birds and 52 mammals. The bird total is among the highest ever recorded on this itinerary. We saw all the possible Tanzanian endemics and near-endemics, plus other highlights that included Secretarybird, five species of Bustards, Schalow's and Hartlaub's Turacos, 43 species of raptors, 10 species of cisticola, Golden-winged and Tacazze Sunbirds, 28 members of the classically African weaver family, Gray-headed Silverbill, and four species of whydahs. Mammals were



exceptional as well. There is no better place in Africa to experience its megafauna. There were

100s of 1000s of migrating Wildebeest, a whole range of antelope, African Elephants, Lions galore, amazing experiences with a family of Cheetahs, a gorgeous Leopard, and a superb night drive that featured Aardvark, White-tailed East African Mongoose, Springhare, and African Civet. Perhaps more important than anything else, we really soaked in this amazing part of Africa, savoring each sunset, each



In Tarangire, we saw an Aardvark, an elusive beast that is the "nemesis mammal" of many a guide who has spent years in the "bush" in Africa.

afternoon thunderstorm, and each brilliant dawn. It is a privilege simply to be alive in this part of the world!

Our tour started in Arusha, the bustling 'safari capital' of Tanzania. One of the great things about this city is that there are excellent hotels and guesthouses outside of the city, along the



Arusha NP held our first glorious Gray Crowned-Cranes.

flanks of Mount Meru. We enjoyed a very pleasant and birdy hotel right at the entrance of Arusha National Park, far from the actual city. A full day in Arusha National Park saw our list immediately shoot to well above 100 bird species, not to mention 15-some mammals. Among the latter, the highlight was a pair of Suni, a tiny and



hard-to-see antelope of forest interiors. Great bird sightings included Gray Crowned-Crane, Scaly Francolin, Black Goshawk, Delegorgue's Pigeon, Hartlaub's Turaco, Silvery-cheeked Hornbill, Amethyst Sunbird, Stripe-cheeked Greenbul, Black-headed Apalis, Trilling Cisticola, Waller's Starling, and Taveta Golden-Weaver.



Beesley's Lark was our main target at the "Lark Plain" north of Arusha.

Although our second day was also spent near Arusha, the habitat was completely different. This time we headed to the dry northern slopes of Mount Meru, which supports dry thornscrub plus a small patch of grassland that hosts the world's only Beesley's Larks. Most of the morning was spent searching for the Beesley's Lark, which was initially elusive, only to turn up right next to our vehicle. These nicely marked, stub-tailed little larks almost look like quail as they run around in the short grass. It's sad to think that there are less than 100 left in the world. While scouring the plains we sighted Kori Bustard, and Short-tailed and Somali Short-toed Larks. At mid-day, we moved into some thornscrub. Here, sightings came thick and fast, as the area was buzzing after heavy recent rains, which always serves to make birds in arid habitats active. In a couple hours of



birding, sightings included a displaying (exploding!) Buff-crested Bustard, Abyssinian Scimitarbill,

Von der Decken's Hornbill, Blackthroated Barbet, Banded Warbler, Redthroated Tit, Southern Grosbeak Canary, and Red-fronted Warbler just to name a few.

In the morning, we met the last two members of our group, who didn't quite have the vacation time to do the whole trip. Together, we headed to a coffee estate where we learned a bit about the local coffee industry, then



Banded Warbler, formerly known as "Parisoma".

stocked up on some delicious and perfectly roasted Tananian beans. Striking out from Arusha, we headed towards Tarangire National Park. On the way, a couple of quick stops turned up Rosypatched Bush-Shrike, Foxy Lark, and a few other new birds.

By mid-day, we were at the main gate of Tarangire NP, where we had a packed lunch – as we did on nearly every day of the trip, allowing us to maximize our time in the field. Although Tarangire receives only a fraction of the publicity of nearby Ngorongoro and Serengeti, it is one of my favorite places in Africa. The landscapes are beautiful: lush savanna studded with baobabs. And the birds are interesting and abundant. We had three full nights to enjoy this park, and were



Tarangire National Park is a paradise, especially for birders.



also happens to be one of my favorites. It's one of those lodges that isn't overly fancy, but has a perfect mix of the rustic and the luxurious. The tented rooms allow you to hear the night sounds,

based in a lodge that

and offer sweeping views of the Tarangire River and its abundant elephants, but with full-time hot water and 4 or 5 fluffy pillows on each bed, this really isn't "roughing it"!



Ashy Starling is a Tanzanian endemic bird that is quite common in Tarangire.

The most obvious avian targets here are Tanzania endemics and near-endemics, which we easily: found Yellowcolllared Lovebird, Ashy Starling. Rufousand tailed But Weaver. Tarangire offers much more. Other savored sightings included Southern Ground Hornbills, the huge Martial Eagle, diminutive Pygmy

Falcon, Coqui, Red-necked and Yellow-necked Francolins (one of few places where the latter two are sympatric), Rufous-bellied Heron, Saddle-billed Stork, plenty of Black-faced Sandgrouse, screeching Meyer's and Red-bellied Parrots, Great Spotted, Red-chested, African, and Common Cuckoos, hulking Mosque Swallows, Northern Pied-Babbler, and Southern Red Bishop.

During our time in Tarangire, the migration of Eurasian birds was also getting fired up. There were European Rollers and Blue-cheeked and European Bee-eaters all over the landscape, and we were excited to find a Barred Warbler, quite a scarce bird in Tanzania. Many of these migrants are only found in Tanzania for a short window of a couple of weeks each year, and this tour was well timed to witness this migration. It's incredible to be watching a Lion in the African savanna while the sky is full of migrating European Bee-eaters that will be nesting somewhere in Europe in a few short weeks! The mammals in Tarangire were also excellent. Breeding herds of Impala with nervous attendant males were scattered all over the landscape, as were African Elephants, Waterbuck, Lions, and many others. On one of our three nights in the park, we did a night drive that was fabulously successful. A close-up sighting of Aardvark was the undoubted



highlight, but we also enjoyed the likes of White-tailed Mongoose and East African Springhare. The latter is an animal that I'd nominate as one of the coolest African mammals that few people

have even heard of!

Although it was hard to leave Tarangire, the trip was only getting better, as our next destination was the Ngorongoro Crater, one of the most famous natural areas in the world. On our way, we spent most of the day in Lake Manyara National Park. This fairly small park has a lot to offer, from thick groundwater forest to open alkali flats. The timing of our visit was perfect. A heavy band of rain across the region had grounded lots of migrating shorebirds, and we were treated to the sight of 10s of 1000s



East African Springhare, an incredibly cool and strictly nocturnal mammal.

of Ruff, dozens of Common Ringed Plovers, and a couple uncommon species: Spotted Redshank and Black-tailed Godwit. It's not too common to see this sort of active migration in Africa; at times I felt more like I was on the upper Texas coast than in Tanzania! Of course, the shorebirds were only a small part of what was a sensational day of birding in which we racked up over 200 species. It's hard to even start picking the highlights from a day like this. To mention a few: an African Rail



We not only saw, but managed to photograph the normally very shy African Rail.

standing in the open, a pair of Collared Palm-Thrushes, part of what seems to be an isolated Manyara population of this species, Goliath and Black Herons, Eastern Nicator, point-blank views of a Silvery-cheeked Hornbill, plus lots of Crowned Hornbills, Rosy-throated Longclaw, and the rare Pallid Honeyguide.

Late in the afternoon, we headed into the Ngorongoro conservation area and



drove up through steep montane forest, where a bit more birding turned up a flock of Crested Guineafowl, a Gray-capped Warbler, and some vocal Red-faced Cisticolas. Just before dark, we arrived at our plush lodge, which enjoys sweeping views of the whole crater and its 30,000 resident big mammals below. The first view of this place is an incredible experience, far better than first sighting Big Ben or the Great Pyramids in my book.



The view from our lodge on the Ngorongoro Crater Rim.

We had a whole day to explore the Ngorongoro Crater, which is sometimes described as "Africa in miniature" or the "Garden of Eden". Before descending, we enjoyed some superb birding in the gorgeous moss-draped forest along the crater rim, which has a totally different set of species than the crater floor. We savored sightings of Schalow's Turaco, Brown-backed Woodpecker, the truly rather scarce Scarce Swift, Golden-winged Sunbird, Brown Warbler, Abyssinian Crimsonwing, Yellow-bellied Waxbill, and of course lots of Hunter's Cisticolas, with their mesmerizing up-and-down song.

By mid-morning, we finally made it down to the grassy crater floor. There were 1000s of Wildebeest and Zebra, and smaller numbers of other mammals such as African Buffalo, Eland, and gazelles, plus a couple of Black Rhinos. All were set against the beautiful backdrop of the crater rim, which is clothed in vibrant green at this time of the year. Predators were also well represented. We had a few Spotted Hyenas, several Golden Jackals, a pack of Bat-eared Foxes, and a Lion that came and plopped down in the shade of an adjacent vehicle! Although most of the



crater is treeless, there are still lots of birds. Highlights in that department included thousands of Abdim's Storks, a beautiful perched Lanner, Kori and Black-bellied Bustards, dozens of Gray Crowned-Cranes, Whinchat, good views of the elusive Little Rush-Warbler, and Fan-tailed Widowbird.

On our final morning at the crater, we had planned to do a little birding walk before breakfast, but woke up to a heavy rain. This rain, which we later found out was part of a huge most of northern system across Tanzania, would dominate the day. It was actually fortuitous that the heaviest rain of the trip came on a travel day. After descending from the crater, we found blocked our way by watercourse that is normally a small creek, but which was gushing like a massive river. After waiting for less than an hour, the rain lessened, the water came down, and we were able to cross. We had lunch at Oldupai Gorge, where we spent a pleasant hour indoors and out of the rain, enjoying the museum there, which paints a picture of the epic evolution of the human species. In the afternoon, as we approached Ndudu, we had to cross a waterlogged and muddy plain.



Black-bellied Bustard in the Ngorongoro Crater.



It was only the driving skill and confidence of our driver Njano that got us across the plain without being stuck; it was littered with vehicles driven by the less skilled or lucky! In the late evening, we were happy to arrive at Ndutu Lodge, on the shores of its namesake lake.



Ndudu is one of the best places on Earth to see the increasingly rare Cheetah.

Although Ndutu is still within the Ngorongoro Conservation Area, it is very different from the Crater. This area is excellent for mammals, including big cats, which can be sought here by driving off-road, something that isn't permitted inside of the Serengeti National Park. The stars of the show were Cheetahs. We spent an hour with a mother Cheetah and her three half-grown cubs. Ndudu

has lots of birds too and we definitely didn't neglect birding when in this area. There were endemic Gray-breasted Francolins, our only European Honey-Buzzard of the trip, Verreaux's Eagle-Owl, Rufous Chatterer, "Usambira" D'Arnaud's Barbet, Silverbird, and Dark Chanting Goshawk to name a few.

The final destination of our tour was Serengeti National Park. Of all the great parks in Africa this is perhaps the best known, and with good reason. It is vast, wild, and full of big mammals and interesting birds. The landscapes here are really spectacular, especially in April during the rainy season, with deep blue morning skies, washed clear by the rain, slowly filling with towering thunderheads that often produce downpours

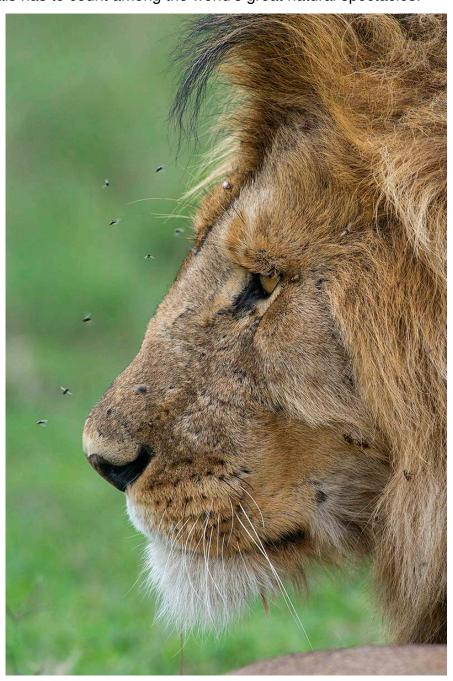


Silverbird is a beautiful Old World flycatcher.



and a spectacular lightning show after dark, leaving the air clear again the next day. As we drove out of the Ngorongoro conservation area and into the national park, we were awed to encounter the main Wildebeest herd, which is a couple million strong. The sight of an open landscape dotted with countless 1000s of big mammals has to count among the world's great natural spectacles.

Although new birds were getting hard to find, we still managed quite a few in the Serengeti. On the way into our lodge, just outside the park's western boundary, we bumped into a couple family groups of Temminck's Coursers. In this area. members of the whydah family proved to be astoundingly common. We saw all five of the possible species: Pin-tailed. Eastern Paradise-, Steel-blue. and Straw-tailed Whydahs, and Village Indigobird. The grounds of the lodge itself were loaded with great birds, many of which are quite local in Tanzania. These Rock-loving Cisticola, included Sulphur-breasted Bushshrike, White-bellied Tit, Purple-banded Sunbird, Greencap Eremomela, and Familiar Chat. In the park itself, we found the endemic Tanzanian Red-billed Hornbill,



The king of the beasts is a prominent character in the Serengeti.

plus Rueppell's Starling, Rufous-crowned Roller, and tons of raptors, including a rare migrant



Lesser Short-toed Eagle. Mammals continued to be common and conspicuous. There 100s of Zebras, gazelles, Buffalo, Topi, and Coke's Hartebeest. There were also many more lions... amazing how many sightings of this beast you can rack up during a couple weeks in Tanzania. Leopard is a much more elusive beast, but we got lucky on our first afternoon, when Mary Ann spotted one lounging in a tree, with classically feline languor. The pressure was off for Ken and Njano, leaving us free to look for more new birds!



The Serengeti Plain dotted with 100s or 1000s of Wildebeest and Zebra.

Our final day was a long drive back to Arusha to catch our international departures, but we still had a few treats in store. The first was our best migrating wildebeest migration experience of the trip. We came upon 100s of 10000s of Wildebeest along the main highway, and drove through wildebeest for more than 30 minutes. At the center of the herd, you could look in every direction and see the black dots of Wildebeest going all the way to the horizon. It is amazing that there is still such natural abundance left anywhere in the world, a bracing and exhilarating sight. At Kilimanjaro Airport, we said goodbye to our excellent safari driver Njano, who was a huge part of making this a successful trip. It had been an amazing two weeks spent in one of the best stretches of the wildest continent.



## **ITINERARY**

March 7Arrival in Arusha (Kilimanjaro Airport).March 8Arusha National Park (Mount Meru).March 9"Lark Plain" and surrounding areas.

March 10 Arusha to Tarangire NP.March 11 Tarangire National Park.March 12 Tarangire National Park.

March 13 Tarangire to Ngorongoro Conservation Area.

March 14 Ngorongoro Crater.

March 15 Ngorongoro Crater to Lake Ndutu.

March 16 Ndudu area.

March 17 Ndutu to Serengeti National Park.

March 18 Serengeti National Park.

March 19 Serengeti to Arusha. Departure from Kilimanjaro Airport.



Epic skies over beautiful landscapes characterize this tour. This is the road down into the Ngorongoro Crater, the "land before time".



## **PHOTO GALLERY**

Follows tour's chronology



On the arrival day of our tour, we saw White Storks along the main highway...



...along with a colony of Black-headed Herons.





In the garden of our hotel, we saw a pair of Moustached Grass-Warblers...



...and a few Brown-breasted Barbets.





Two good sightings in Arusha NP: immature Black Goshawk (left) and Black Stork (right).



Mount Meru towers over Arusha National Park.











There are other larks on the Lark Plain too, like Fischer's Sparrow-Lark...



...and the scarce Short-tailed Lark.





The thornscrub adjacent the "Lark Plain" held lots of birds, including Blue-capped Cordonbleu (left) and Red-throated Tit (right).



Gray Wren-Warbler is another thornscrub specialty, at the southern limits of its range in north Tanzania.







Eastern Violet-backed Sunbird (left) was in the thornscrub, while we had Rufous-naped Lark (right) on the way back to Arusha.



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Yellow-collared Lovebird is one of the Tanzanian specialties that we sought in Tarangire.



Yellow-necked Francolin (left) and Mountain Gray Woodpecker (right).







Croaking Cisticola (left) and Eastern (Pale) Chanting Goshawk (right).



A Banded Mongoose colony inside of a termite mound.





Bateleur, a beautiful and virtually tailless eagle.





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Crested Francolin (left) and Mottled Spinetail (right), the latter a baobab-nesting specialist.





Red-and-yellow Barbet also lives in termite mounts.



Silale Swamp is in the central part of Tarangire, and is loaded with birds.





Blue-cheeked Bee-eaters (left) and Hamerkops (right).



A Southern Ground-Hornbill at Silale Swamp.



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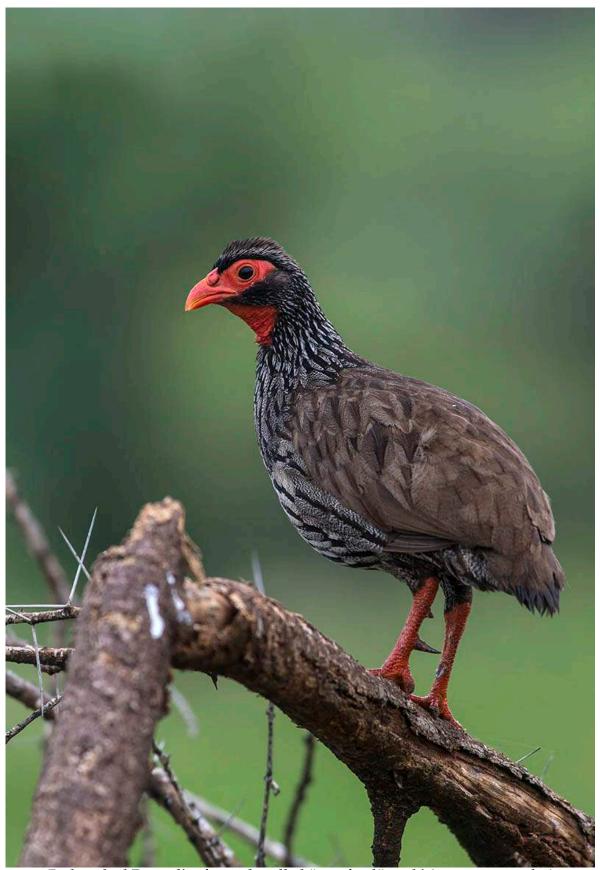


Tanzania is raptor paradise, and in Tarangire, and we saw both the huge Martial Eagle (left) and the tiny Pygmy Falcon (right).



Yet another animal on a termite mound, this time a Vervet monkey.





Red-necked Francolin, formerly called "spurfowl", and it's easy to see why!





Red-billed Buffalo-Weaver (left) and Dideric Cuckoo (right).



Eurasian Hoopoe is widespread but wonderful.













A handsome Waterbuck in Tarangire.





Gray-headed Kingfisher (left) and White-rumped (or Northern White-crowned) Shrike (right).



Black-faced Sandgrouse is the common sandgrouse of Tarangire.





A couple of scarce birds in Tarangire: Mosque Swallow (left) and Pied Cuckoo (right).



European Roller was one of the most common birds throughout our trip.



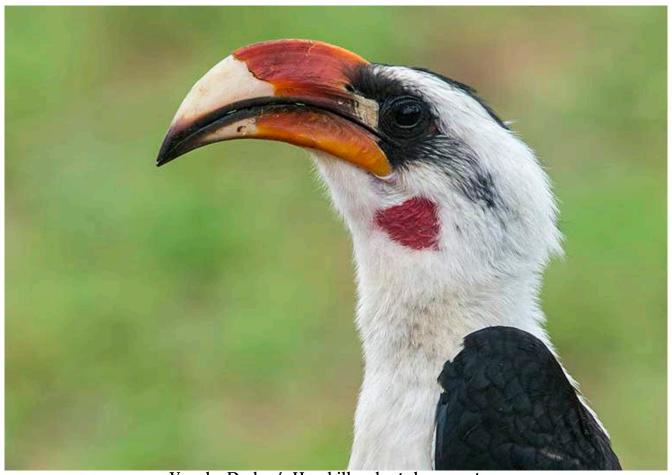


"Masai" Giraffes crossing a shallow river in Tarangire.



We found a small flock of the uncommon and nomadic Senegal Lapwing.





Von der Decken's Hornbill male at close quarters.



On our night drive in Tarangire, we saw several Common Genets.



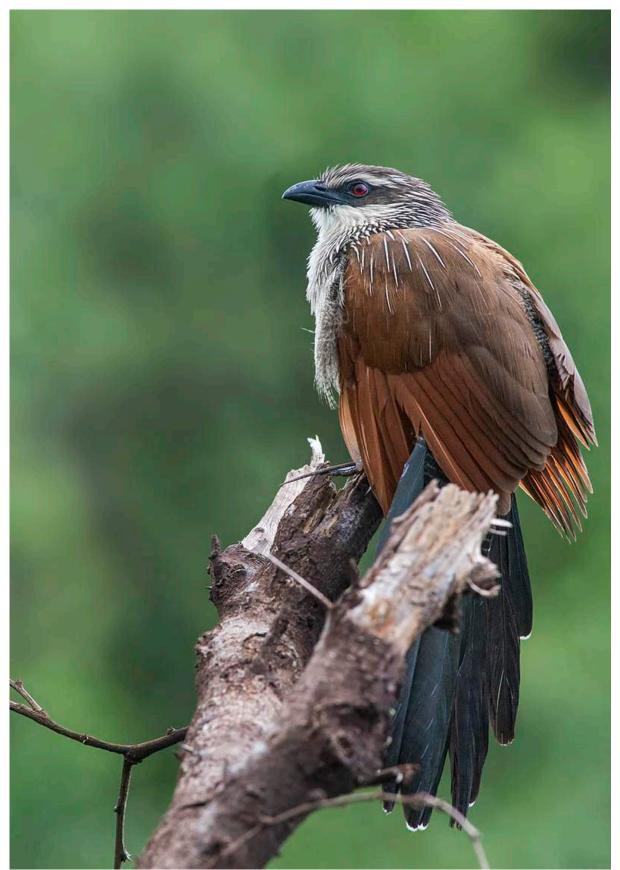


A rainy Lake Manyara National Park was loaded with birds – we tallied over 200 species in a single day!



Blacksmith Lapwing on the shores of Manyara.





A White-browed Coucal trying to dry out after a shower in Manyara.





The common African Pipit (left) and low-density monkey-hunting Crowned Eagle (right).



Collared Pratincole is an elegant beauty, both in flight and perched.





The Grosbeak Weaver builds perhaps the most beautiful nest of all the weavers.



African Spoonbill, just one of dozens of species of waterbirds that we saw at Manyara.





Marsh denizens: Purple Swamphen (left) and Fan-tailed Widowbird (right).



We enjoyed ridiculous arm's-length views of a Silvery-cheeked Hornbill.





On our way up the side of the Ngorongoro Crater, we saw Gray-capped Warbler...





... plus Hildebrandt's Francolin (left) and Tropical Boubou (right).





Rameron Pigeon, a montane forest specialist.



Mossy highland Acacia forest on the crater rim - habitat of the Brown Warbler.





The wonderful Golden-winged Sunbird is a specialty of the crater rim.



Juvenile Northern Fiscal (left) and Whinchat (right).







A couple of buzzards over Ngorongoro: an Augur (left) and a Common (right).



Thompson's Gazelle is one of many conspicuous mammalian characters of the crater floor.



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Northern Wheatear (left), a migrant from Eurasia, and Wattled Starling (right), a local breeder.



African Buffalo, and for extra points... a Red-billed Buffalo-pecker.







A typical view from the floor of the crater.



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Warthog (left) and Speke's Weaver (right).



Hippopotamus babies are awfully cute.





Rufous-tailed Weaver is a common Tanzanian near-endemic that will try to steal your lunch in the crater!





Capped Wheatear (left) and Abdim's Stork (right).





Seeing a perched Lanner at close quarters was a real treat.



The Golden "Jackal" is actually a mini-wolf, and isn't closely related to the other African jackals.





Buffalo, blue skies, and towering clouds: a typical rainy season Tanzania landscape.



Eland is the biggest African antelope – the biggest males weigh a ton!







In the woodlands around Ndutu, we saw Bare-faced Go-away-bird (left) and lots of Superb Starlings (right).



Like all the lapwings, the Crowned Lapwing is quite a striking bird.







Marabou Storks fighting over the entrails of a Wildebeest that was killed by Spotted Hyenas.



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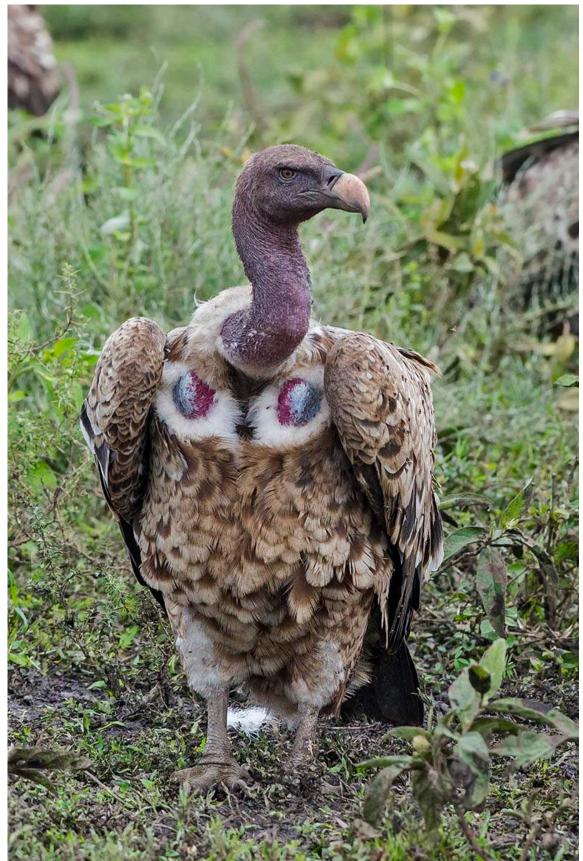


The Hildebrandt's Starling is similar to the Superb Starling, and no less superb.



"Boehm's" Common Zebras abounded around Ndudu.





Rueppell's Griffons might stick their heads into rotting carcasses, but are still quite beautiful birds!







Exuberant Ndutu characters: Black-lored Babblers (left) and Slate-colored Boubou (right).



The long-faced Coke's Hartebeest.





Vitelline Masked-Weavers were nesting all around our lodge at Ndutu.





Woodland prizes: Cardinal Woodpecker (left) and Great Spotted Cuckoo (right).







Lake Ndutu and other nearby lakes are excellent for waterbirds like this Black-winged Stilt.



After hearing and glimpsing Blue-naped Mousebird many times, we finally had long and satisfying views.









Tawny-flanked Prinia (left) and Purple Grenadier (right).





Straw-tailed Whydah (left) and Verreaux's Eagle-Owl (right).



The plains around Ndudu are about as flat as any landscape can possibly be.

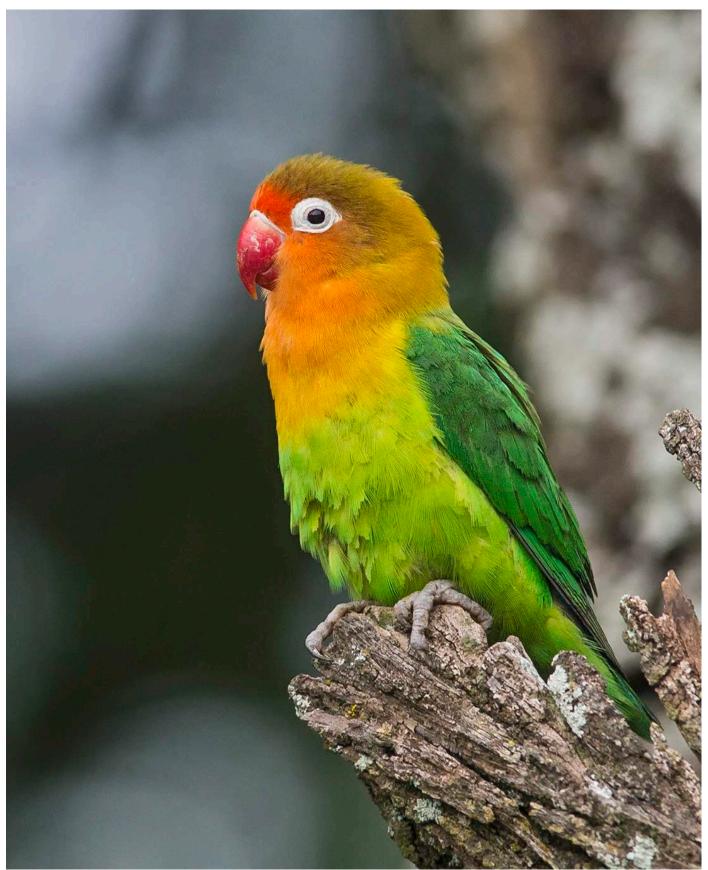




The Three-banded Plover has two bands on the chest and one on the head.







Fischer's Lovebird, an electric Tanzanian near-endemic.





A Hooded Vulture dropping down to a recent kill.

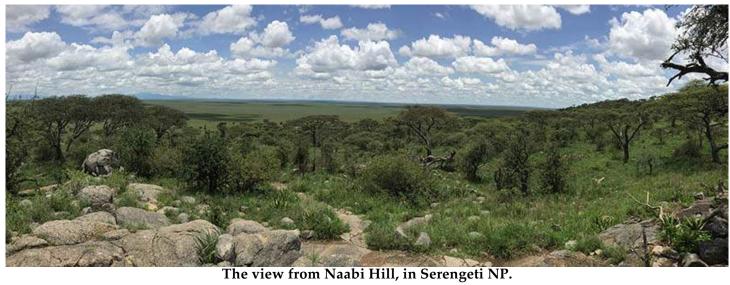


On our way into Serengeti National Park, we saw many Yellow-throated Sandgrouse.



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Spur-winged Lapwing (left) and Red-billed Oxpeckers / "Masai" Giraffe (right).

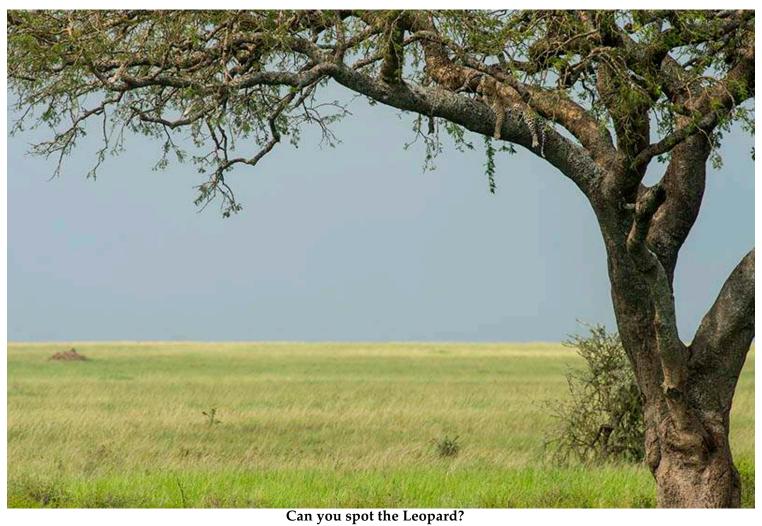


A typical slice of rainy season Serengeti, with a thunderhead looming.





The Tanzanian savanna is weaver heaven. Shown here are Lesser Masked- (left) and Black-necked (right).







Olive Baboons can be a problem at picnic areas, but they're amazing animals nonetheless.



Wire-tailed Swallow, the smallest of Tanzania's diverse set of hirundines.





Eastern Paradise-Whydah, just one of four whydah species that we saw in the western Serengeti.



Colorful savannah denizens: Rueppell's Starling (left) and Red-headed Weaver (right).







"Masai" Giraffe (left) and Tanzanian Red-billed Hornbill (right), another Tanzanian endemic.





Spot-flanked Barbet (left) and Rock-loving Cisticola (right) on the grounds of our Serengeti lodge.



The rare Hartlaub's Bustard was our final bustard species of the trip.









The sort of Serengeti prizes that the average "Big Five" visitor misses out on: "Usambira" D'Arnaud's Barbet (left) and Gray-headed Silverbill (right).



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We encountered a massive herd of elephants in the Serengeti.



A breeding herd of Impala, one of the most common savannah antelope.



## **BIRD LIST**

Taxonomy and nomenclature follow *The eBird / Clements Checklist of the Birds of the World*, including updates through 2017.

STRUTHIONIFORMES: Struthionidae		
Common Ostrich	Struthio camelus	
ANSERIFORMES: Anatidae		
White-faced Whistling-Duck	Dendrocygna viduata	
Fulvous Whistling-Duck	Dendrocygna bicolor	
Comb Duck	Sarkidiornis melanotos	
Egyptian Goose	Alopochen aegyptiaca	
Spur-winged Goose	Plectropterus gambensis	
Hottentot Teal	Spatula hottentota	
Northern Shoveler	Spatula clypeata	
Cape Teal	Anas capensis	
Red-billed Duck	Anas erythrorhyncha	
Southern Pochard	Netta erythrophthalma	
GALLIFORMES: Numididae		
Helmeted Guineafowl	Numida meleagris	
Crested Guineafowl	Guttera pucherani	
GALLIFORMES: Phasianidae		
Common Quail	Coturnix coturnix	Н
Harlequin Quail	Coturnix delegorguei	NL
Scaly Francolin	Pternistis squamatus	
Hildebrandt's Francolin	Pternistis hildebrandti	
Yellow-necked Francolin	Pternistis leucoscepus	
Gray-breasted Francolin	Pternistis rufopictus	
Red-necked Francolin	Pternistis afer	
Crested Francolin	Dendroperdix sephaena	
Coqui Francolin	Peliperdix coqui	
PODICIPEDIFORMES: Podicipedidae		
Little Grebe	Tachybaptus ruficollis	
PHOENICOPTERIFORMES: Phoenicopte	ridae	
Greater Flamingo	Phoenicopterus roseus	
Lesser Flamingo	Phoeniconaias minor	
CICONIIFORMES: Ciconiidae		
African Openbill	Anastomus lamelligerus	
Black Stork	Ciconia nigra	
Abdim's Stork	Ciconia abdimii	
White Stork	Ciconia ciconia	



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Marabou Stork	Leptoptilos crumenifer
Yellow-billed Stork	Mycteria ibis
SULIFORMES: Phalacrocoracidae	7
Long-tailed Cormorant	Microcarbo africanus
Great Cormorant	Phalacrocorax carbo
PELECANIFORMES: Pelecanidae	
Pink-backed Pelican	Pelecanus rufescens
PELECANIFORMES: Scopidae	
Hamerkop	Scopus umbretta
PELECANIFORMES: Ardeidae	
Gray Heron	Ardea cinerea
Black-headed Heron	Ardea melanocephala
Goliath Heron	Ardea goliath
Purple Heron	Ardea purpurea
Great Egret	Ardea alba
Intermediate Egret	Ardea intermedia
Little Egret	Egretta garzetta
Black Heron	Egretta ardesiaca
Cattle Egret	Bubulcus ibis
Squacco Heron	Ardeola ralloides
Rufous-bellied Heron	Ardeola rufiventris
Black-crowned Night-Heron	Nycticorax nycticorax
PELECANIFORMES: Threskiornithidae	
Glossy Ibis	Plegadis falcinellus
Sacred Ibis	Threskiornis aethiopicus
Hadada Ibis	Bostrychia hagedash
African Spoonbill	Platalea alba
ACCIPITRIFORMES: Sagittariidae	
Secretarybird	Sagittarius serpentarius
ACCIPITRIFORMES: Accipitridae	
Black-shouldered Kite	Elanus caeruleus
African Harrier-Hawk	Polyboroides typus
European Honey-buzzard	Pernis apivorus
White-headed Vulture	Trigonoceps occipitalis
Lappet-faced Vulture	Torgos tracheliotos
Hooded Vulture	Necrosyrtes monachus
White-backed Vulture	Gyps africanus
Rüppell's Griffon	Gyps rueppelli
Bateleur	Terathopius ecaudatus
Black-breasted Snake-Eagle	Circaetus pectoralis
Brown Snake-Eagle	Circaetus cinereus
Crowned Eagle	Stephanoaetus coronatus



Martial Eagle	Polemaetus bellicosus	
Long-crested Eagle	Lophaetus occipitalis	
Lesser Spotted Eagle	Clanga pomarina	
Wahlberg's Eagle	Hieraaetus wahlbergi	
Booted Eagle	Hieraaetus pennatus	
Tawny Eagle	Aquila rapax	
Steppe Eagle	Aquila nipalensis	
Verreaux's Eagle	Aquila verreauxii	
African Hawk-Eagle	Aquila spilogaster	
Dark Chanting-Goshawk	Melierax metabates	
Eastern Chanting-Goshawk	Melierax poliopterus	
Gabar Goshawk	Micronisus gabar	
Eurasian Marsh-Harrier	Circus aeruginosus	
African Marsh-Harrier	Circus ranivorus	
Pallid Harrier	Circus macrourus	
Montagu's Harrier	Circus pygargus	
Shikra	Accipiter badius	
Black Goshawk	Accipiter melanoleucus	
Black Kite	Milvus migrans	
African Fish-Eagle	Haliaeetus vocifer	
Common (Steppe) Buzzard	Buteo buteo	
Mountain Buzzard	Buteo oreophilus	
Augur Buzzard	Buteo augur	
OTIDIFORMES: Otididae		
Kori Bustard	Ardeotis kori	
White-bellied Bustard	Eupodotis senegalensis	
Buff-crested Bustard	Eupodotis gindiana	
Black-bellied Bustard	Lissotis melanogaster	
Hartlaub's Bustard	Lissotis hartlaubii	
GRUIFORMES: Rallidae		
African Rail	Rallus caerulescens	
Black Crake	Zapornia flavirostra	
African (Purple) Swamphen	Porphyrio madagascariensis	
Eurasian Moorhen	Gallinula chloropus	
Red-knobbed Coot	Fulica cristata	
GRUIFORMES: Gruidae		
Gray Crowned-Crane	Balearica regulorum	
CHARADRIIFORMES: Burhinidae		
Water Thick-knee	Burhinus vermiculatus	
Spotted Thick-knee	Burhinus capensis	
CHARADRIIFORMES: Recurvirostridae		
Black-winged Stilt	Himantopus himantopus	



Pied Avocet	Recurvirostra avosetta	
CHARADRIIFORMES: Charadriidae		
Long-toed Lapwing	Vanellus crassirostris	
Blacksmith Lapwing	Vanellus armatus	
Spur-winged Lapwing	Vanellus spinosus	
Senegal Lapwing	Vanellus lugubris	
Black-winged Lapwing	Vanellus melanopterus	
Crowned Lapwing	Vanellus coronatus	
Wattled Lapwing	Vanellus senegallus	
Kittlitz's Plover	Charadrius pecuarius	
Common Ringed Plover	Charadrius hiaticula	
Three-banded Plover	Charadrius tricollaris	
Chestnut-banded Plover	Charadrius pallidus	
CHARADRIIFORMES: Jacanidae		
African Jacana	Actophilornis africanus	
CHARADRIIFORMES: Scolopacidae		
Black-tailed Godwit	Limosa limosa	
Ruff	Calidris pugnax	
Curlew Sandpiper	Calidris ferruginea	
Little Stint	Calidris minuta	
Common Snipe	Gallinago gallinago	
Common Sandpiper	Actitis hypoleucos	
Green Sandpiper	Tringa ochropus	
Spotted Redshank	Tringa erythropus	
Common Greenshank	Tringa nebularia	
Marsh Sandpiper	Tringa stagnatilis	
Wood Sandpiper	Tringa glareola	
CHARADRIIFORMES: Glareolidae	<u>,                                      </u>	
Temminck's Courser	Cursorius temminckii	
Double-banded Courser	Smutsornis africanus	
Collared Pratincole	Glareola pratincola	
CHARADRIIFORMES: Laridae	<u> </u>	
Gray-hooded Gull	Chroicocephalus cirrocephalus	
Black-headed Gull	Chroicocephalus ridibundus	
Gull-billed Tern	Gelochelidon nilotica	
White-winged Tern	Chlidonias leucopterus	
Whiskered Tern	Chlidonias hybrida	
PTEROCLIFORMES: Pteroclidae		
Chestnut-bellied Sandgrouse	Pterocles exustus	
Yellow-throated Sandgrouse	Pterocles gutturalis	
Black-faced Sandgrouse	Pterocles decoratus	
COLUMBIFORMES: Columbidae		



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	Common (Eurasian) Swift	Apus apus	
Nyanza Swift Apus niansae	Nyanza Swift	Apus niansae	
African (Black) Swift  Apus barbatus	•		



Little Swift	Apus affinis	
White-rumped Swift	Apus caffer	
African Palm-Swift	Cypsiurus parvus	
COLIIFORMES: Coliidae		
Speckled Mousebird	Colius striatus	
Blue-naped Mousebird	Urocolius macrourus	
BUCEROTIFORMES: Upupidae		
Eurasian Hoopoe	<i><b>Upupa epops</b></i>	
BUCEROTIFORMES: Phoeniculidae		
Green Woodhoopoe	Phoeniculus purpureus	
Abyssinian Scimitarbill	Rhinopomastus minor	
BUCEROTIFORMES: Bucorvidae		
Southern Ground-Hornbill	Bucorvus leadbeateri	
BUCEROTIFORMES: Bucerotidae		
Crowned Hornbill	Lophoceros alboterminatus	
African Gray Hornbill	Lophoceros nasutus	
Von der Decken's Hornbill	Tockus deckeni	
Tanzanian Red-billed Hornbill	Tockus ruahae	
Northern Red-billed Hornbill	Tockus erythrorhynchus	
Silvery-cheeked Hornbill	Bycanistes brevis	
Trumpeter Hornbill	Bycanistes bucinator	NL
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White-eared Barbet	Stactolaema leucotis	
Moustached Tinkerbird	Pogoniulus leucomystax	
Red-fronted Tinkerbird	Pogoniulus pusillus	
Red-fronted Barbet	Tricholaema diademata	
Spot-flanked Barbet	Tricholaema lacrymosa	
Black-throated Barbet	Tricholaema melanocephala	
White-headed Barbet	Lybius leucocephalus	
Brown-breasted Barbet	Lybius melanopterus	
PICIFORMES: Indicatoridae		
Pallid Honeyguide	Indicator meliphilus	
Lesser Honeyguide	Indicator minor	
Scaly-throated Honeyguide	Indicator variegatus	
Greater Honeyguide	Indicator indicator	
PICIFORMES: Picidae		
Nubian Woodpecker	Campethera nubica	
Cardinal Woodpecker	Dendropicos fuscescens	
Bearded Woodpecker	Dendropicos namaquus	
Mountain Gray Woodpecker	Dendropicos spodocephalus	
Brown-backed Woodpecker	Dendropicos obsoletus	
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Slate-colored Boubou	Laniarius funebris	
Rosy-patched Bushshrike	Rhodophoneus cruentus	
Sulphur-breasted Bushshrike	Telophorus sulfureopectus	
PASSERIFORMES: Campephagidae	relophorus sulfureopeetus	
Black Cuckooshrike	Campephaga flava	
PASSERIFORMES: Laniidae	Campephaga jiava	
Red-backed Shrike	Lanius collurio	
Red-tailed (Isabelline) Shrike	Lanius phoenicuroides	
Gray-backed Fiscal	Lanius excubitoroides	
Long-tailed Fiscal	Lanius cabanisi	
Taita Fiscal	Lanius dorsalis	
Northern Fiscal	Lanius humeralis	
Magpie Shrike	Corvinella melanoleuca	
White-rumped (N. White-crowned) Shrike	Eurocephalus ruppelli	
PASSERIFORMES: Oriolidae		
Eurasian Golden Oriole	Oriolus oriolus	
African Black-headed Oriole	Oriolus larvatus	
PASSERIFORMES: Dicruridae		
Fork-tailed Drongo	Dicrurus adsimilis	
PASSERIFORMES: Monarchidae		
African Paradise-Flycatcher	Terpsiphone viridis	
PASSERIFORMES: Corvidae		
Cape Crow	Corvus capensis	
Pied Crow	Corvus albus	
White-necked Raven	Corvus albicollis	
PASSERIFORMES: Alaudidae		
Beesley's Lark	Chersomanes beesleyi	
Fischer's Sparrow-Lark	Eremopterix leucopareia	
Foxy Lark	Calendulauda alopex	
Rufous-naped Lark	Mirafra africana	
Flappet Lark	Mirafra rufocinnamomea	
Singing Bushlark	Mirafra cantillans	
Red-capped Lark	Calandrella cinerea	
Somali (Athi) Short-toed Lark	Alaudala somalica athensis	
Short-tailed Lark	Spizocorys fremantlii	
PASSERIFORMES: Hirundinidae		
Plain Martin	Riparia paludicola	
Bank Swallow	Riparia riparia	
Banded Martin	Riparia cincta	
Rock Martin	Ptyonoprogne fuligula	
Barn Swallow	Hirundo rustica	
Wire-tailed Swallow	Hirundo smithii	



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Rod rumped Swallow	Cocronic daurica	
Red-rumped Swallow Lesser Striped-Swallow	Cecropis daurica	
•	Cecropis abyssinica	
Mosque Swallow Common House-Martin	Cecropis senegalensis  Delichon urbicum	
White-headed Sawwing	Psalidoprocne albiceps	
Black Sawwing	Psalidoprocne pristoptera	
PASSERIFORMES: Paridae	Mala dan a dilatan di	
White-bellied Tit	Melaniparus albiventris	
Red-throated Tit	Melaniparus fringillinus	
PASSERIFORMES: Pycnonotidae		
Eastern Mountain-Greenbul	Arizelocichla nigriceps	
Stripe-cheeked Greenbul	Arizelocichla milanjensis	
Yellow-bellied Greenbul	Chlorocichla flaviventris	H
Cabanis's Greenbul	Phyllastrephus cabanisi	H
Common Bulbul	Pycnonotus barbatus	
PASSERIFORMES: Macrosphenidae		
Red-faced Crombec	Sylvietta whytii	
Moustached Grass-Warbler	Melocichla mentalis	
PASSERIFORMES: Phylloscopidae		
Brown Woodland-Warbler	Phylloscopus umbrovirens	Н
Willow Warbler	Phylloscopus trochilus	
PASSERIFORMES: Acrocephalidae		
Eastern Olivaceous Warbler	Iduna pallida	
African Yellow-Warbler	Iduna natalensis	
Icterine Warbler	Hippolais icterina	G
Eurasian Reed Warbler	Acrocephalus scirpaceus	Н
Lesser Swamp Warbler	Acrocephalus gracilirostris	
Great Reed Warbler	Acrocephalus arundinaceus	
PASSERIFORMES: Locustellidae		
Cinnamon Bracken-Warbler	Bradypterus cinnamomeus	
Little Rush-Warbler	Bradypterus baboecala	
PASSERIFORMES: Cisticolidae	77	
Bar-throated Apalis	Apalis thoracica	NL
Yellow-breasted Apalis	Apalis flavida	
Black-headed Apalis	Apalis melanocephala	
Brown-headed Apalis	Apalis alticola	
Green-backed Camaroptera	Camaroptera brachyura	
Red-fronted Warbler	Urorhipis rufifrons	
Gray Wren-Warbler	Calamonastes simplex	
Red-faced Cisticola	Cisticola erythrops	
Singing Cisticola	Cisticola cantans	
Trilling Cisticola	Cisticola woosnami	
Trining Cisticola	Cisticola Wooshalli	1



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Eremomela scotops	
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Sylvia communis	
Zosterops poliogastrus	
Zosterops abyssinicus	
Turdoides rubiginosa	
Turdoides sharpei	
Turdoides hypoleuca	
Turdoides jardineii	
Muscicapa adusta	
Muscicapa striata	
Bradornis microrhynchus	
Fraseria caerulescens	
Melaenornis semipartitus	
Melaenornis pammelaina	
Melaenornis fischeri	
Cercotrichas leucophrys	
Cossypha caffra	
Cossypha semirufa	Н
Cichladusa arquata	
Cichladusa guttata	
	Zosterops abyssinicus  Turdoides rubiginosa Turdoides sharpei Turdoides hypoleuca Turdoides jardineii  Muscicapa adusta Muscicapa striata Bradornis microrhynchus Fraseria caerulescens Melaenornis semipartitus Melaenornis fischeri Cercotrichas leucophrys Cossypha caffra Cossypha heuglini Cichladusa arquata



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White-starred Robin	Pogonocichla stellata	NL
Common Nightingale	Luscinia megarhynchos	
Rufous-tailed (Common) Rock-Thrush	Monticola saxatilis	
Whinchat	Saxicola rubetra	
African Stonechat	Saxicola torquatus	
Northern Anteater-Chat	Myrmecocichla aethiops	
Familiar Chat	Cercomela familiaris	
Northern Wheatear	Oenanthe oenanthe	
Abyssinian (Schalow's) Wheatear	Oenanthe lugubris schalowi	
Capped Wheatear	Oenanthe pileata	
Isabelline Wheatear	Oenanthe isabellina	
PASSERIFORMES: Turdidae		
Abyssinian (Mountain) Thrush	Turdus abyssinicus	
PASSERIFORMES: Sturnidae	<u> </u>	
Wattled Starling	Creatophora cinerea	
Violet-backed Starling	Cinnyricinclus leucogaster	
Red-winged Starling	Onychognathus morio	
Waller's Starling	Onychognathus walleri	
Hildebrandt's Starling	Lamprotornis hildebrandti	
Rüppell's Starling	Lamprotornis purpuroptera	
Ashy Starling	Lamprotornis unicolor	
Superb Starling	Lamprotornis superbus	
PASSERIFORMES: Buphagidae		
Red-billed Oxpecker	Buphagus erythrorhynchus	
Yellow-billed Oxpecker	Buphagus africanus	
PASSERIFORMES: Nectariniidae		
Kenya (Eastern) Violet-backed Sunbird	Anthreptes orientalis	
Collared Sunbird	Hedydipna collaris	
Olive Sunbird	Cyanomitra olivacea	
Amethyst Sunbird	Chalcomitra amethystina	
Scarlet-chested Sunbird	Chalcomitra senegalensis	
Tacazze Sunbird	Nectarinia tacazze	
Bronze Sunbird	Nectarinia kilimensis	
Golden-winged Sunbird	Drepanorhynchus reichenowi	
Eastern Double-collared Sunbird	Cinnyris mediocris	
Beautiful Sunbird	Cinnyris pulchellus	
Mariqua Sunbird	Cinnyris mariquensis	
Purple-banded Sunbird	Cinnyris bifasciatus	
Variable Sunbird	Cinnyris venustus	
PASSERIFORMES: Motacillidae		
Western Yellow Wagtail	Motacilla flava	
African Pied Wagtail	Motacilla aguimp	



African Pipit	Anthus cinnamomeus	
Long-billed Pipit	Anthus similis	
Plain-backed Pipit	Anthus leucophrys	
Buffy Pipit	Anthus vaalensis	
Tree Pipit	Anthus trivialis	
Pangani Longclaw	Macronyx aurantiigula	G
Rosy-throated Longclaw	Macronyx ameliae	
PASSERIFORMES: Emberizidae		
Cinnamon-breasted Bunting	Emberiza tahapisi	
Golden-breasted Bunting	Emberiza flaviventris	
PASSERIFORMES: Fringillidae	,	
Yellow-fronted Canary	Crithagra mozambica	
Southern Citril	Crithagra hyposticta	
Reichenow's Seedeater	Crithagra reichenowi	
White-bellied Canary	Crithagra dorsostriata	
Southern Grosbeak-Canary	Crithagra buchanani	
Streaky Seedeater	Crithagra striolata	
Thick-billed Seedeater	Crithagra burtoni	
PASSERIFORMES: Passeridae		
House Sparrow	Passer domesticus	
Kenya Rufous Sparrow	Passer rufocinctus	
Northern Gray-headed Sparrow	Passer griseus	
Swahili Sparrow	Passer suahelicus	
Chestnut Sparrow	Passer eminibey	
Yellow-spotted Petronia	Petronia pyrgita	
PASSERIFORMES: Ploceidae		
Red-billed Buffalo-Weaver	Bubalornis niger	
White-headed Buffalo-Weaver	Dinemellia dinemelli	
Speckle-fronted Weaver	Sporopipes frontalis	
White-browed Sparrow-Weaver	Plocepasser mahali	
Rufous-tailed Weaver	Histurgops ruficauda	
Gray-headed Social-Weaver	Pseudonigrita arnaudi	
Red-headed Weaver	Anaplectes rubriceps	
Baglafecht Weaver	Ploceus baglafecht	
Little Weaver	Ploceus luteolus	
Black-necked Weaver	Ploceus nigricollis	
Spectacled Weaver	Ploceus ocularis	
Holub's Golden-Weaver	Ploceus xanthops	
Taveta Golden-Weaver	Ploceus castaneiceps	
Lesser Masked-Weaver	Ploceus intermedius	
Vitelline Masked-Weaver	Ploceus vitellinus	
Speke's Weaver	Ploceus spekei	



Village Weaver	Ploceus cucullatus	
Golden-backed Weaver	Ploceus jacksoni	
Chestnut Weaver	Ploceus rubiginosus	
Red-billed Quelea	Quelea quelea	
Southern Red Bishop	Euplectes orix	
Black-winged Bishop	Euplectes hordeaceus	
Yellow-crowned Bishop	Euplectes afer	
Yellow Bishop	Euplectes capensis	
White-winged Widowbird	Euplectes albonotatus	
Red-collared Widowbird	Euplectes ardens	
Fan-tailed Widowbird	Euplectes axillaris	
Jackson's Widowbird	Euplectes jacksoni	
Grosbeak Weaver	Amblyospiza albifrons	
PASSERIFORMES: Estrildidae		
Gray-headed Nigrita	Nigrita canicapillus	
Yellow-bellied Waxbill	Coccopygia quartinia	
Abyssinian Crimsonwing	Cryptospiza salvadorii	
Crimson-rumped Waxbill	Estrilda rhodopyga	
Common Waxbill	Estrilda astrild	
Black-faced Waxbill	Estrilda erythronotos	
Red-cheeked Cordonbleu	Uraeginthus bengalus	
Blue-capped Cordonbleu	Uraeginthus cyanocephalus	
Purple Grenadier	Granatina ianthinogaster	
Green-winged Pytilia	Pytilia melba	
Red-billed Firefinch	Lagonosticta senegala	
Cut-throat	Amadina fasciata	
African Quailfinch	Ortygospiza fuscocrissa	
Gray-headed Silverbill	Odontospiza griseicapilla	
Bronze Mannikin	Spermestes cucullata	
Black-and-white Mannnikin	Spermestes bicolor	
African Silverbill	Euodice cantans	
PASSERIFORMES: Viduidae		
Pin-tailed Whydah	Vidua macroura	
Eastern Paradise-Whydah	Vidua paradisaea	
Steel-blue Whydah	Vidua hypocherina	
Straw-tailed Whydah	Vidua fischeri	
Village Indigobird	Vidua chalybeata	

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## **MAMMAL LIST**

Taxonomy and nomenclature follow *The Kingdon Field Guide to African Mammals* (Second Edition – 2015) by Jonathan Kingdon.

Aardvark	Orcyteropus afer	
Guereza Pied Colobus	Colobus guereza	
Olive Baboon	Papio anubis	
Vervet Monkey	Cercopithecus aethiops pygerythrus	
Blue Monkey	Cercopithicus (mitis) stuhlmanni	
White-throated Monkey	Cercopithicus (mitis) albogularis	
Senegal Galago	Galago senegalensis	
Scrub Hare	Lepus saxatilis	
Cape Hare	Lepus capensis	
Unstriped Ground Squirrel	Xerus rutilus	
Ochre Bush Squirrel	Paraxerus ochraceus	
Unstriped Grass Rat	Arvicanthis niloticus	
East African Springhare	Pedetes surdaster	
Golden Jackal	Canis aureus	
Black-backed Jackal	Canis mesomelas	
Side-striped Jackal	Canis adustus	
Bat-eared Fox	Otocyon megalotis	
Spotted Hyaena	Crocuta crocuta	
Striped Hyaena	Hyaena hyaena	
African Civet	Civettictis civetta	
Common Genet	Genetta genetta	
Leopard	Panthera pardus	
Lion	Panthera leo	
Cheetah	Acinonyx jubatus	
Yellow-spotted Hyrax	Heterohyrax brucei	
Southern Tree Hyrax	Dendrohyrax arboreus	Н
African Elephant	Loxodonta africana	
Boehm's Common Zebra	Equus quagga boehmi	
Black Rhinoceros	Diceros bicornis	
Hippopotamus	Hippopotamus amphibious	
Common Warthog	Phacochoerus africanus	
"Masai" Giraffe	Giraffa camelopardalis tippelskirchi	
African Buffalo	Syncerus caffer	
Bushbuck	Tragelaphus sylvaticus	
Eland	Taurotragus oryx	
Suni	Nesotragus moschatus	
Harvey's Duiker	Cephalophus harveyi	
Bohor Reedbuck	Redunca redunca	



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Steinbuck (Steenbok)	Raphicerus campestris	
Kirk's Dikdik	Madoqua kirkii	
Defassa Waterbuck	Kobus ellipsiprymnus defassa	
Common Waterbuck	Kobus ellipsiprymnus ellipsiprymnus	
Thompson's Gazelle	Eudorcas thomsoni	
Grant's Gazelle	Nanger granti	
Impala	Aepyceros melampus	
Торі	Damaliscus lunatus jimela	
Coke's Hartebeest (Kongoni)	Alcelaphus buselaphus cokei	
Brindled Gnu (Blue Wildebeest)	Connochaetes taurinus	
Banded Mongoose	Mungos mungo	
White-tailed Mongoose	Ichneumia albicauda	
Slender Mongoose	Herpestes sanguinea	
Dwarf Mongoose	Helogale parvula	



We saw a few Brindled Gnus, a.k.a. Wildebeest.

## **REPTILE / AMPHIBIAN LIST**

Leopard Tortoise	Geochelone paralis
Helmeted (Marsh) Terrapin	Pelomedusa subrufa
Tropical House Gecko	Hemidactylus mabouia
Striped Skink	Trachylepis striata
Blue-headed Tree Agama	Acanthocerus atricollis
Red-headed (Common) Rock Agama	Agama agama
Mwanza Flat-headed Agama	Agama mwanzae
White-throated Savanna Monitor	Varanus albigularis
Nile (Water) Monitor	Varanus niloticus
Nile Crocodile	Crocodylus niloticus
Grass Frog sp.	Ptychadena sp.



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