



TANZANIA TOUR REPORT

1st Nov to 14th Nov
2017

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

Either for rarity value, excellent views or simply a group favourite.

- Rufous-bellied Heron
- African Goshawk
- Ayres's Hawk-Eagle
- African Crowned Eagle
- Sooty Falcon
- Ovambo Sparrowhawk
- Grey-breasted Spurfowl
- Hildebrandt's Francolin
- Crested Guineafowl
- Hartlaub's Bustard
- Heuglin's Courser
- Chestnut-banded Plover
- Caspian Plover
- Yellow-throated Sandgrouse
- Meyer's Parrot
- Yellow-collared Lovebird
- Schalow's Turaco
- Usambiro Barbet
- Beesley's Lark
- Pangani Longclaw
- Rosy-breasted Longclaw
- Arrow-marked Babbler
- Red-capped Robin-Chat
- Eastern Bearded Scrub-Robin
- Sooty Chat
- Silverbird
- Lynes's Cisticola
- Fan-tailed Grassbird
- Karamoja Apalis
- Brown-headed Apalis
- Grey-capped Warbler
- Red-throated Tit
- Black-fronted Bushshrike
- Kenrick's Starling
- Ashy Starling
- Rufous-tailed Weaver
- Taveta Golden Weaver
- Red-throated (Peter's) Twinspot
- Quail-Finch
- Oriole Finch
- Caracal
- Wildebeest migration

SUMMARY:

This was a great adventure as we explored the best safari sites in Tanzania seeing 450 species of bird and 48 species of mammal. We began in Arusha National Park catching up with a great selection of African species including Black-fronted Bushshrike, Broad-tailed Warbler, Pangani Longclaw and Taveta Golden Weaver. We saw the incredibly rare Beesley's Lark on the way to Tarangire, where an incredible encounter with an adult Leopard stole the show. Lake Manyara produced Crested Guineafowl, Purple-crested Turaco and Peter's Twinspot, the Ngorongoro Crater was notable not only for the scenery but an incredible encounter with a Caracal. A superb Oriole Finch was just one of numerous great sightings here before we headed to the fabled Serengeti where we saw Yellow-throated Sandgrouse, Usambiro Barbet and witnessed the incredible Wildebeest migration, along with many spectacular wildlife sightings we are all more familiar with from t.v documentaries. This was a truly spectacular tour and it left us all longing to return and explore amazing Tanzania again.

Day 1 UK - KILIMANJARO

Flew on the KLM flight from UK to Kilimanjaro Airport via Amsterdam and upon arrival we were swiftly through the immigration and baggage areas before boarding our coach to African View Lodge where we were to spend the next 3 nights.

Day 2 ARUSHA NATIONAL PARK

A quick check of the gardens at first light revealed flocks of **Scarce Swifts** passing over, along with **Brown-breasted** and **White-eared Barbets**, **White-eyed Slaty Flycatcher**, **Black Cuckooshrike**, **Bronze** and **Amethyst Sunbirds**, and plenty of common **Dark-capped Bulbuls**. After breakfast we headed in our two safari vehicles into Arusha National Park which was just a 5 minute drive away and a brief stop at the entrance gate produced **Singing Cisticola**, **Cape Robin-Chat**, **Speke's Weaver**, **Chestnut Weaver** and the first of many **Northern Fiscals**. Most of the morning was hampered by rain, which made viewing difficult and reduced bird activity substantially. However, we still managed to pick up lots of birds such as **Dark-capped Yellow Warbler**, **Tropical Boubou**, **Little** and **Cinnamon-chested Bee-eaters**, **Trilling Cisticola**, **African Black-headed Oriole**, **Black-headed Apalis** and **Brown-hooded Kingfisher** before the rain stopped. Driving through an open area on our way to the Momella Lakes we had point-blank views of several **White-fronted Bee-eaters**, **Long-billed Pipit**, **Crowned Lapwing**, a cracking **Pangani Longclaw**, and an **African Moustached Warbler** singing from a bare stump beside the road.

Upon reaching the lakes we ate our picnic lunch whilst enjoying views of numerous **Southern Pochards**, a pair of **Maccoa Ducks**, a pair of **Grey Crowned Cranes**, **Glossy Ibis**, **African Harrier Hawk**, both **Lesser Striped** and **Mosque Swallows** and **Winding Cisticola**. A nearby muddy margin held **Marsh**, **Wood** and **Common Sandpipers**, and a pair of **Ruff**, whilst a flock of **Pied Avocets** were scoped further away. A few **Hippopotamus** were scoped on



Crowned Eagle

an island and a few **Red-billed Oxpeckers** were sat on them as well. We then took the route that circled the lakes and found hundreds of **Lesser** and a few **Greater Flamingo's** feeding at the next lake, plus **Speckled Mousebird**, **Spur-winged** and **Blacksmith's Lapwings**, **Brown-crowned Tchagra**, **Cape Teal**, **Little Stint**, **Yellow-breasted Apalis**, **Cardinal Woodpecker**, **Rattling Cisticola**, **Red-knobbed Coot**, **Scarlet-chested Sunbird**, **Tawny-flanked Prinia** and a flock of **White-crested Helmetshrikes**. On the way back **Taveta Golden Weaver**, **African Fish Eagle** and an all-too-brief flyover **Eleonora's Falcon** were also seen. What a day and a good introduction to the amazing array of wildlife on offer in amazing Tanzania.

Day 3 ARUSHA NATIONAL PARK

We had another full day in Arusha National Park and after seriously heavy overnight rain we woke to more mist and rain, which continued through to late morning again. Lovely! But it didn't stop us seeing a good selection of birds during this time with one of the best birds of the day being our first bird of the day – **Fan-tailed Grassbird**. Moving into the park we took a different route to yesterday and picked up **Yellow Bishop**, **Golden-winged Sunbird**, **Red-collared Widowbird**, **Black-backed Puffback**, and eventually we nailed **Hartlaub's Turaco**, with several good views. An **African Crowned Eagle** was perched over the road, and other notable sightings included **Klaas's Cuckoo**, **Olive Sunbird**, several **African Dusky Flycatchers**, **Stripe-cheeked Greenbul**, **Black-headed Apalis**, **African Black-headed Oriole** and **Red-faced Cisticola**. At a marsh we saw several **Taveta Golden Weavers**, 2 **Hippos**, **Silvery-cheeked Hornbill**, **African Fish-Eagle**, and a **Northern Grosbeak-Weaver**. A family of **African Elephants** crossed the track in front of us as we returned to the crossroads, having seen a rather confiding **Ruppell's Robin-Chat** singing beside our vehicles.

With the weather improving we could head higher up to the crater, and a good decision this turned out to be as a superb **Black-fronted Bush-Shrike** and a flock of **Tanzanian Broad-ringed White-eyes** (split form Montane White-eye) appeared. At a large fruiting tree a flock of endemic **Kenrick's Starlings** were feeding and as we drove ever higher a perched **Long-crested Eagle** was spotted, and we had more views of **Silvery-cheeked Hornbill** as well. Then we took our picnic lunch at an overlook with superb views across the crater with **Red-backed Mannikin**, **Red-headed Weaver**, **Taveta Golden Weaver** and **Golden-tailed Woodpecker** performing close by. Moving up we visited the highest viewpoint and found an **Ayres's Hawk-Eagle** perched nearby. What a cracker! So by now it was 4.30pm and we had to leave and drive back to the lodge where a couple of us scoped an **African Goshawk** in the garden.

Day 4 LARIBORO/LARK PLAINS – TARANGIRE SIMBA LODGE

Left early and drove to Lariboro Plains, some 70 minutes from the lodge, passing through yet more rain. Upon arrival at the vast plains the weather was kind to us and it was quite warm and clear and our first scan revealed **Kori Bustard**, **Capped Wheatear**, **Grassland Pipit**, **Lesser Black-winged Lapwing**, **Kenya Rufous Sparrow**, and a few **Horus Swifts** amongst a huge congregation of **Common Swifts**. After meeting up with our Maasai guides we drove out into the plains, but not before nailing a **Southern Grosbeak Canary** singing from on top of an Acacia and watching a singing **Foxy Lark**. We parked up and scoped an **Eastern Chanting Goshawk** and noted some **White-rumped Swifts** passing over. Amazingly, we picked up our main target species, **Beesley's Lark** very quickly thanks to James and then spent the next 2 hours getting better and better views of this rare species, whilst searching for our other target birds. A **Short-tailed Lark** was next, followed by **Red-capped Lark** but it took a while before we found **Athi Short-toed Lark**. It was a great experience to be able to watch these birds through the scopes. Other species seen included a cracking male **Pallid Harrier**, **Secretarybird**, **Gabar Goshawk**, a flock of **European Bee-eaters** and a **Steppe Eagle**. Once everyone was assembled back at the vehicles a **Fischer's Starling** appeared and then a **Gorgeous** (split from **Beautiful**) **Sunbird** was seen. We then spent the next 4 hours driving to our next base at Tarangire, but made a comfort stop along the way. Of course I played the owl call and an amazing number of species appeared: a real **Pearl-spotted Owlet**, **Eastern Violet-backed Sunbird**, **Tiny Cisticola**, **White-browed Scrub-Robin**, **Slate-coloured Boubou**, **Fork-tailed Drongo**, **White-bellied** and **Yellow-fronted Canary**, **Green-winged Pytilia**, **Brown-crowned Tchagra**, **Red-faced Crombec**, and finally a **Little Sparrowhawk** was drawn to the commotion. Wow!



White-fronted Bee-eater is a common but stunning bird

As we left the tarmac and followed the dirt track to the lodge we saw our first **Ashy Starlings**, a **Black-chested snake-Eagle** and some other commoner birds, but we were on a mission for a two o'clock lunch. Well, we reached the lodge which was pretty secluded, lunch was naturally late as the staff didn't seem to be expecting us, so we made the best of things and scanned from the verandah that overlooked a drinking pool and typical 'bush country'. From here we saw a **D'Arnaud's Barbet** visiting a nest hole beside the swimming pool, a few endemic **Yellow-collared Lovebirds**, **White-billed Buffalo-Weaver**, flocks of **Wattled Starlings** and a **Brown Snake-eagle**. After lunch and some **Blue-capped Cordon-bleu's** we took a short walk into the bush. Another **Pearl-spotted Owlet** appeared, along with **Northern Red-billed** and **African Grey Hornbills**, **Speckle-fronted Weaver**, **Spotting Mourning-Thrush**, **Red-cheeked Cordon-bleu**, near-endemic **Rufous-tailed Weavers**, **Long-tailed Fiscal**, and we ended with a pair of inquisitive **White-bellied Bustards**.

Day 5 TARANGIRE NATIONAL PARK

What a day and I barely know where to begin! We spent the entire day in Tarangire NP and it was hell. I mean there were far too many birds and animals, most of them too close to photograph with my 300mm lens. Just Hell...! Of course I'm joking. We began by birding the track from our lodge to the entrance gate seeing **Purple Roller** and **Cardinal Woodpecker**, before a bunch of birds came in to the owl tape – **Abyssinian White-eye** (now split as Southern Scrub White-eye apparently), **Vitelline** and **Lesser Masked Weavers** and other previously seen species. Moving in to the park things began slowly until we picked up a pair of **Abyssinian Scimitarbills** in some large Acacias, followed by **Red-and-yellow Barbet**, **Banded Parisoma**, a perched **Bateleur**, **Bare-faced Go-away-Bird**, **Black-faced Sandgrouse**, **Steppe Eagle**, several perched **White-backed Vultures**, our first **Silverbird**, some **European Bee-eaters**, **Yellow-collared Lovebird** and numerous **Ashy Starlings**. All this was along the same stretch of track before we drove higher where our first **Common Ostriches** were seen, plus **Orange-bellied Parrots**, **Yellow-billed Oxpecker**, **Northern Pied Babbler**, **Mottled Spinetail**, **Von Der Decken's Hornbill**, a flock of **Eastern Paradise-Whydahs**, and **Greater Blue-eared Glossy Starling**. Once we descended towards the plains we had an incredible vista below of us of typical African savannah with **African Elephants** (and we'd already had some incredibly close encounters), **Plains Zebra**, **African Buffalo** and **Blue Wildebeest**. But 4 **Temminck's Coursers** were also very nice and a confiding pair of **Southern Ground-Hornbills** also. At a bridge over the Tarangire River we spent an enjoyable half an hour watching beautiful **Grey-headed Kingfishers**, **Black Crake**, **Water Thick-Knee** and others. Moving on, and amazingly we came across another jeep watching a sleeping **Leopard** in an Acacia some distance away, but a very nice sighting so early in the trip.



[This Leopard provided one of the highlights of the tour](#)

We got to the picnic site overlooking Silale Swamp just in time to connect with a heavy rainshower. James found a **Chameleon** and we enjoyed close flybys from numerous **Collared Pratincoles**. After we'd eaten we followed the dry swamp, trying to find some water and along the way found an adult and a large grown juvenile **Verreaux's Eagle-Owl**. At some narrow water margins we had 3 **Saddle-billed Storks**, **Black Stork**,

Spur-winged Goose, Bearded Woodpecker, had a brief view of an **African Wild Cat, African Rock Python, African Marsh Harrier** and a **Black-bellied Bustard**. Across the swamp were herds of **Wildebeest, Elephants, Bohor Reedbuck** etc. But by now we were very late, like 4.30pm and had to be out of the park by 6pm so retraced our steps. It was a madcap race to get out of the park but we had to stop for seconds of the **Leopard** in a closer tree. Wow! It just stared balefully at us as we clicked away. And a little further on a pair of **Coqui Francolins** were also much appreciated. What a day!

Day 6 LAKE MANYARA NP

Well, what a great way to start the day with a cracking **Peter's Twinspot** found as we entered Lake Manyara National Park. Unfortunately not everyone saw it and the numerous **Green-winged Pytilias** were scant consolation. Driving into the park we had **African Openbill, African Pygmy Kingfisher, Spotted Mourning-Thrush** and some other commoner birds. Moving inside a pair of **Green Wood-Hoopoes** flew through, a **Mountain Wagtail** fed alongside a small stream and a **Narina Trogon** posed beautifully on a bare branch. Amongst some tall Acacias a **Red-fronted Tinkerbird** was seen, along with a pair of **Common Scimitarbills**. Our main quarry of **Purple-crested Turaco** had been proving elusive until we found a pair amongst some tall Fig trees. A few **Crowned Hornbills** then appeared, followed by **Red Duiker**, a **Lioness** dozing in a tree, **Eastern Bearded Scrub-Robin** singing on a bare branch and both **Yellow-green** and **Grey-Olive Bulbuls** appeared.

At our lunch spot we walked out onto the boardwalk into the lake and found 20+ **Chestnut-banded Plovers** with some very close birds. Also here were **Three-banded Plover, Curlew Sandpiper, Lesser Sandplover, Pied Avocet** and lots of **Little Stints**. With clear blue skies this was the hottest, driest day of the tour so far and we were certainly feeling the heat. So had lunch in the shade before continuing on but the next few hours were pretty quiet, apart from nesting **Holub's Golden Weavers, Bateleur**, and a group of scarce **Crested Guinea fowl**. Result!



Crested Guinea fowl

Our last stop of the day was at the famous Hippo Pools, complete with several **Hippos**. But there were so many waterbirds here and we spent an enthralling hour or so scanning through everything. I guess pride of place went to the fishing **Black Heron** doing his 'night time, day time' routine. Although scoping **Rufous-bellied Herons** was also pretty cool. And we also saw **Lesser Swamp Warbler**, **Hottentot**, **Cape** and **Red-billed Teals**, **African Spoonbills**, **Marabou** and **Yellow-billed Storks**, numerous **Long-toed Stints**, **Yellow Wagtail**, **Glossy Ibis**, lots of common waders, **African Jacanas**, **African Purple Gallinule**, lots of **Black Crakes**, and more common species on top. A great way to end the day.

Day 7 NGORONGORO CONSERVATION AREA

Following a great night's sleep we were up at first light and watching the family of **Schalow's Wheatears** that Chris and Kevin had found late last evening. After breakfast and an accompanying **Ruppell's Robin-Chat**



Brown-headed Apalis

we drove to the bottom of the highland forest of the Ngorongoro Conservation Area and spent the next 4 hours birding in excellent habitat. In the car park we had **Brown-headed Apalis** and **Grey-olive Greenbul**, and just around the corner a pair of singing **White-browed Robin-Chats** competed with our first **Grey-Capped Warbler** that came in so close to us it was hard to focus the camera. The path wound slowly and easily up into the hills and we picked off **Lemon Dove**, **Black-throated Wattle-eye**, a gang of **Mburo White-eyes**, **Cabanis's Greenbul**, **Purple-throated Cuckooshrike**, **African Paradise-Flycatcher**, **Mountain Greenbul**, **Thick-billed Seed-eater** and **Brown Woodland Warbler**.

I was amazed when a pair of **African Hill**

Babblers came straight into the tape and showed well, and even more stunned with eye-level views of **Grey-headed Negrita** that posed beautifully and very close for us. We continued upwards and found **Bar-throated Apalis**, **White-tailed Blue Flycatcher**, flyover **Steppe Buzzard** and **Martial Eagle**, **Eastern Honeybird** and a roosting **European Nightjar** that our driver, Martin found. What a great morning.

From here we drove up to the entrance gate and after getting the requisite permits headed to the crater rim. What a view greeted us and we stood in awe at the amazing sight of the Ngorongoro crater below us. Dave scoped a **Black Rhino** and we saw a male **Pallid Harrier** and our first **Eastern Double-collared Sunbird**. The number of animals below us was staggering and we couldn't wait to get down there tomorrow. So we drove up the road to our picnic lunch and were just in time to get a heavy downpour, so we ate our picnic lunch in the vehicle and then fortunately the rain stopped. We saw **Hunter's Cisticola**, **White-necked Raven**, **Eurasian Hobby**, several **Mottled Swifts**, **Hildebrandt's Francolin** and **Golden-winged Sunbird**.



Grey-capped Warbler

Moving on we scored big time with a pair **Oriole Finches** loosely associating in a large flock that included **Mburu White-eye**, **Mountain Thrush**, **Yellow-bellied Waxbill**, **Mountain Yellow Warbler**, **Eurasian Blackcap**, **Streaky Seedeaters** and even a pair of **Schalow's Turacos** showed behind us. Another male **Oriole Finch** was seen extremely close as it fed in some bushes, but our search for **Jackson's Widowbird** drew a blank as we drove across the moorland only seeing **Capped Wheatear**, **Grassland Pipit**, **Whinchat**, **Augur Buzzard** and **Northern Wheatear**.



Oriole Finch

Day 8 NGORONGORO CRATER

Where to start? This was one of those ambitions I've had since childhood after watching a wildlife documentary about this place but never thought I'd ever fulfil it. And it didn't disappoint. After struggling to nail **Lynes's Cisticola** on the downward journey and being constantly distracted by the awesome vista below, there were also views of **Lanner**, **Northern Anteater-Chat**, **Purple Grenadier**, **Schalow's Wheatear**, **Brown Parisoma**, **Yellow Bishop**, **Lappet-faced Vulture** and **Sooty Falcon**. Nearing the crater floor we could see a few jeeps watching a group of **Lions** beside a small lake so headed down there, only to come face-to-face with a majestic **Caracal** about 30 feet away from us! What? We'd just been staking out an area that Caracal has sometimes frequented higher up and never thought we'd have a realistic chance and now here we were. It had just killed an **African Hare** but been spooked and was tentatively trying to cross the track in front of us towards a kill that 4 **Lions** had made, but was now being taken over by **Golden Jackals** and **Black-backed Jackals**, with some **White-backed Vultures** also moving in. But after several minutes it decided against that course of action as a **Lioness** began chasing the **Plains Zebras** before turning her attentions to the Caracal. So it hightailed it out of there and disappeared up the slope. I'm sure some of the other jeeps weren't even aware of the presence of this scarce mammal as they were too focussed on the **Lion** action. But we were elated and the huge surge of adrenalin really is something you need to experience at some time in your life. I love it! So we stayed around the water for some time, taking in the **Lions**, **Kori Bustard**, **Thompson's Gazelles**, **Fischer's Sparrow-Larks**, **Red-capped Lark** and other commoner species.



Caracal - nobody expected this!

After a toilet stop we drove out into the plains where amazingly we found another **Caracal**, albeit quite distant. We also saw **Pectoral-patch Cisticola**, **Black-bellied Bustard**, **Spotted Hyena**, a confiding **Rosy-breasted Longclaw**, **Montagu's Harrier**, another sleeping **Lion**, some **African Quailfinches** coming to drink in a stream, before heading to the Hippo Pools. Needless to say they were full of **Hippos** and some waterbirds but with rain threatening we drove to the picnic site. Here there were many **Fan-tailed Widowbirds** in non-breeding dress, **African Fish-Eagles**, flocks of **Red-billed Queleas** and a hunting **African Hobby**.

Leaving here we headed back towards the escarpment, and along the way enjoyed watching displaying **Black-bellied Bustards**, **Isabelline Wheatear**, several **Kittlitz's Plovers** and **Plain-backed Pipit**. Entering a more lush area with lots of larger trees we saw some perched **Lappet-faced Vultures**, **Dusky Turtle Dove**, **Hildebrandt's Starlings**, **Ruppell's Vultures** nesting, both **Red-backed** and **Lesser Grey Shrikes**, **Broad-billed Roller**, **Black Storks**, **Martial Eagle** and a pair of **White-headed Barbets**. And that was our day.

Day 9 SERENGETI NATIONAL PARK

We left Rhino Lodge on the Ngorongoro crater rim and headed down into the vast endless plains of the Serengeti. On the way down we saw some **Red-collared Widowbirds** in the highlands, as well as a **Lanner** perched on the slope above us and a couple of **Secretarybirds**. Upon reaching the Serengeti we began seeing our first animals with **Spotted Hyena**, and both **Black-backed** and **Golden Jackals**. But it was the **Wildebeest** migration spectacle that took our breath away and would feature prominently during our time in this awesome place. There were huge herds of them heading south and following the rains, and long lines of them with smaller numbers of **Plains Zebras** tagging along. Birds included 3 **Spotted**



Cheetah

Thick-knees roosting under some small Acacias before we reached the main entrance gate. Here we took a walk and it was nice to get out of the vehicles. We saw **Red-fronted Barbet**, **Yellow-bellied Eremomela**, 2 **Abyssinian Scimitarbills**, **Black-faced Waxbill**, **Black-lored Babbler**, **Brubru**, **Long-crested Eagle**, **Scarlet-chested Sunbird**, **European Roller** and **European Golden Oriole**. Leaving here we headed further into the wilderness and saw **Greater Kestrel**, 2 **Cheetahs**, more **Spotted Hyenas** and a large male **Lion** sleeping beside the road.

Our route then took us on a series of dirt tracks to Kati Kati Tented Camp where we had a late lunch. What a



Yellow-throated Sandgrouse

setting this was and we could see **Giraffes** from our dinner table! More importantly was the endemic **Tanzanian Red-billed Hornbill** that posed nicely and a few **Ruppell's Starlings** were also new. Our afternoon excursion was spent out in the Serengeti where we saw some lovely **Topi**, as well as not so lovely **Desert Cisticola**, **Grey-capped Social-Weavers**, **Red-backed Shrike**, **Black-chested Snake-Eagle**, 2 **Secretarybirds**, **Two-banded Courser**, **Temminck's Courser**, 5 **Lions**, **Yellow-throated Sandgrouse**, **Croaking Cisticola**, and several

Silverbirds. At the Visitor Centre we saw our first **Usambiro Barbet**, **Black-faced Waxbill**, **Chestnut Sparrow**, **Lesser Masked Weaver**, **Martial Eagle** and a group of endemic **Grey-breasted Spurfowl**. There were several **Spotted Hyenas** skulking around our tents at dinner time and one was all too close for comfort! We went to sleep listening to their cackling, **Lions** roaring and **African Elephants** as well. Wow!

Day 10 SERENGETI NATIONAL PARK

We were up early and left after breakfast, stopping to see a close **Grey-breasted Spurfowl** before making



Grey-breasted Spurfowl

our way across the plains and yet more impressive Wildebeest migration that held us up for some time as they were continually crossing the tracks we were driving on. We spent some time trying to get better views of **Singing Bushlarks** and **White-tailed Larks** that were songflighting out in the grassland. Another **Cheetah** was found, and there were **Yellow-billed Oxpeckers** riding on the **Wildebeest**, **Hooded**, **Ruppell's**, **White-backed** and **Lappet-faced Vultures** dotted around the area Nick S spotted a **Goliath Heron** in a small stream and back at the Visitor Centre a **Spotted Eagle-Owl** was found at its day roost and a **Lesser Kestrel** flew over. It's always an action-packed visit here!

Moving on we saw another 2 **Cheetahs**, more **Silverbirds**, **Buff-bellied Warbler**, **Dark-chanting Goshawk**, **Purple Grenadier** and 3 **Heuglin's Coursers** on the way to the picnic site at the Hippo Pools. An impressive number of **Hippos** were here, as well as our second **Pearl-spotted Owlet** of the day. After our picnic we saw our first **Brown Parrot** and **Fischer's Lovebirds**. We followed this with stops for **Foxy Lark** and **Pied Wheatear** before another major highlight of the tour occurred. A termite swarm was attracting 50+ eagles, comprising **Steppe** and **Tawny Eagles**, as well as an assortment of vultures, **Hammerkop** and **Marabou Stork**. But it was the presence of 10+ **Levant Sparrowhawks** that was pretty astonishing – this being a scarce bird here. Oh and an **Ovambo Sparrowhawk** flew over us and I managed to obtain a series of reasonable photos of a species I've wanted to see for a very long time. Leaving the park on the way to our next lodge a **Rufous Chatterer** and amazingly a pair of **Grey (Buff-bellied) Penduline-Tits** were seen to end another fantastic day in Africa.

Day 11 SERENGETI NATIONAL PARK

Started the day heading towards the entrance gate into the Serengeti, stopping to look at a perched **Long-crested Eagle** and a **Flappet Lark**. Once inside the national park we saw our first **Yellow-throated Longclaw**, as well as **Black-faced Sandgrouse** and another **Cheetah**. Moving on, a **European Honey Buzzard** flew over, and at a big open area a flock of **Caspian Plovers** were seen, plus a **Diederik Cuckoo**. The weather was warming up after a cloudy start so mammal activity was low, hence a group of 3 **Lions** sunning themselves on some rocks hardly moved. More interest from us came in the form of a **Grey-headed Silverbill** collecting nesting material and frequently flying in front of us to its nest.

We then drove for quite a long time to our picnic spot and after eating, a random bit of owlet tape produced a pair of **Red-throated Tits**. We'd given up on seeing this species so were elated to finally catch up with them. A pair of **Long-tailed Cisticolas** also came in and that was also a big surprise, and our first **Yellow-spotted Petronias** were more expected. Continuing on to another rocky area we saw 2 **Verreaux's Eagles** soaring in the clear blue sky, several **Cinnamon-breasted Rock-Buntings**, **Long-billed Pipit**, a perched **Martial Eagle** and amazingly a pair of **Sooty Chats** – another unexpected species.

Day 12 SERENGETI NATIONAL PARK

We set off after breakfast and headed towards Lake Victoria, a journey that took us on a meandering route across the Serengeti. Of course, we saw all the usual mammals and had some close encounters with **Giraffes, Zebra** etc. New birds were our aim and a soaring female **White-headed Vulture** flew onto our lists, along with breeding-plumaged **Pin-tailed Whydah**, a stunning **Black-headed Gonolek** and a super-fast reacting **Karamoja Apalis** that took all of 0.4 seconds to fly in. At a random bush toilet stop two of our ladies literally 'flushed' a **Serval** from out of its roosting place in a dense bush. Moving on a pair of **Bat-eared Foxes** were seen despite the midday heat and we also saw **Yellow-throated Longclaw, Senegal Lapwing, Wahlberg's Eagle** and other common species. Once at Serenity On the Lake we enjoyed lunch before taking a walk around the grounds and woodland bordering the gardens. Here we saw **Angola Swallow, Northern Brown-throated** and **Slender-billed Weavers, Red-chested Sunbird, African Thrush, Swamp Flycatcher**, a brief **Red-chested Cuckoo**, and some other commoner species. We ended the day drinking sundowners as the most amazing sunset unfolded before us. Ahh this is the life...

Day 13 SERENGETI - KILIMANJARO

Mainly a travelling day as we flew by small plane from Grumeti Airstrip in the Serengeti National park back to Kilimanjaro, enjoying the scenic journey over the vast plains. A very short transfer to Kia Lodge for lunch and we picked up **Common Waxbill, Northern Crombec** and **Ashy Cisticola**, plus another **Spotted Eagle Owl** as well, bringing the trip list to 450 species seen.

Day 14 END OF TOUR

This was a travel day as we returned to the UK after an amazing Tanzania adventure..

Nick Bray



Witnessing the amazing Wildebeest migration was definitely a tour highlight



Photos clockwise: Black-bellied Bustard, Red-backed Manakin, Hildebrandt's Starling, Coqui Francolin, Usambiro Barbet and White-bellied Bustard.

SYSTEMATIC LIST – TANZANIA NOVEMBER 2017

STRUTHIONIFORMES: Struthionidae

Common Ostrich	Struthio camelus
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GALLIFORMES: Numididae

Helmeted Guineafowl	Numida meleagris
Crested Guineafowl	Guttera pucherani

GALLIFORMES: Phasianidae

Coqui Francolin	Peliperdix coqui
Crested Francolin	Dendroperdix sephaena
Scaly Francolin	Pternistis squamatus
Hildebrandt's Francolin	Pternistis hildebrandti
Yellow-necked Spurfowl	Pternistis leucoscepus
Grey-breasted Spurfowl	Pternistis rufopictus
Red-necked Spurfowl	Pternistis afer

ANSERIFORMES: Anatidae

White-faced Whistling Duck	Dendrocygna viduata
Fulvous Whistling Duck	Dendrocygna bicolor
Spur-winged Goose	Plectropterus gambensis
Knob-billed Duck	Sarkidiornis melanotos
Egyptian Goose	Alopochen aegyptiaca
Garganey	Spatula querquedula
Hottentot Teal	Spatula hottentota
Northern Shoveler	Spatula clypeata
Cape Teal	Anas capensis
Red-billed Teal	Anas erythrorhyncha
Southern Pochard	Netta erythrophthalma
Maccoa Duck	Oxyura maccoa

CAPRIMULGIFORMES: Caprimulgidae

European Nightjar	Caprimulgus europaeus
Montane Nightjar (H)	Caprimulgus poliocephalus
Swamp Nightjar (H)	Caprimulgus natalensis
Slender-tailed Nightjar	Caprimulgus clarus

APODIFORMES: Apodidae

Scarce Swift	Schoutedenapus myoptilus
Mottled Spinetail	Telacanthura ussheri
African Palm Swift	Cypsiurus parvus
Alpine Swift	Tachymarptis melba
Mottled Swift	Tachymarptis aequatorialis
Common Swift	Apus apus

Nyanza Swift	Apus niansae
Little Swift	Apus affinis
Horus Swift	Apus horus
White-rumped Swift	Apus caffer

MUSOPHAGIFORMES: Musophagidae

Schalow's Turaco	Tauraco schalowi
Hartlaub's Turaco	Tauraco hartlaubi
Purple-crested Turaco	Tauraco porphyreolophus
Bare-faced Go-away-bird	Corythaixoides personatus
White-bellied Go-away-bird	Corythaixoides leucogaster

OTIDIFORMES: Otididae

Kori Bustard	Ardeotis kori
White-bellied Bustard	Eupodotis senegalensis
Black-bellied Bustard	Lissotis melanogaster
Hartlaub's Bustard	Lissotis hartlaubii

CUCULIFORMES: Cuculidae

White-browed Coucal	Centropus superciliosus
Great Spotted Cuckoo	Clamator glandarius
Diederik Cuckoo	Chrysococcyx caprius
Klaas's Cuckoo	Chrysococcyx klaas
African Emerald Cuckoo (H)	Chrysococcyx cupreus
Red-chested Cuckoo	Cuculus solitarius
Common Cuckoo	Cuculus canorus

PTEROCLIFORMES: Pteroclididae

Chestnut-bellied Sandgrouse	Pterocles exustus
Yellow-throated Sandgrouse	Pterocles gutturalis
Black-faced Sandgrouse	Pterocles decoratus

COLUMBIFORMES: Columbidae

Speckled Pigeon	Columba guinea
African Olive Pigeon	Columba arquatrix
Dusky Turtle Dove	Streptopelia lugens
Mourning Collared Dove	Streptopelia decipiens
Red-eyed Dove	Streptopelia semitorquata
Ring-necked Dove	Streptopelia capicola
Laughing Dove	Spilopelia senegalensis
Emerald-spotted Wood Dove	Turtur chalcospilos
Namaqua Dove	Oena capensis
African Green Pigeon	Treron calvus

GRUIFORMES: Rallidae

Black Crake	<i>Amaurornis flavirostra</i>
Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>
Red-knobbed Coot	<i>Fulica cristata</i>

GRUIFORMES: Gruidae

Grey Crowned Crane	<i>Balearica regulorum</i>
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PODICIPEDIFORMES: Podicipedidae

Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>
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PHOENICOPTERIFORMES: Phoenicopteridae

Greater Flamingo	<i>Phoenicopus roseus</i>
Lesser Flamingo	<i>Phoeniconaias minor</i>

CHARADRIIFORMES: Burhinidae

Water Thick-knee	<i>Burhinus vermiculatus</i>
Spotted Thick-knee	<i>Burhinus capensis</i>

CHARADRIIFORMES: Recurvirostridae

Black-winged Stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>
Pied Avocet	<i>Recurvirostra avosetta</i>

CHARADRIIFORMES: Charadriidae

Long-toed Lapwing	<i>Vanellus crassirostris</i>
Blacksmith Lapwing	<i>Vanellus armatus</i>
Spur-winged Lapwing	<i>Vanellus spinosus</i>
Senegal Lapwing	<i>Vanellus lugubris</i>
Black-winged Lapwing	<i>Vanellus melanopterus</i>
Crowned Lapwing	<i>Vanellus coronatus</i>
African Wattled Lapwing	<i>Vanellus senegallus</i>
Common Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>
Kittlitz's Plover	<i>Charadrius pecuarius</i>
Three-banded Plover	<i>Charadrius tricollaris</i>
Chestnut-banded Plover	<i>Charadrius pallidus</i>
Lesser Sand Plover	<i>Charadrius mongolus</i>
Caspian Plover	<i>Charadrius asiaticus</i>

CHARADRIIFORMES: Rostratulidae

Greater Painted-snipe	<i>Rostratula benghalensis</i>
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CHARADRIIFORMES: Jacanidae

African Jacana	<i>Actophilornis africanus</i>
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CHARADRIIFORMES: Scolopacidae

Black-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa limosa</i>
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Ruff	<i>Calidris pugnax</i>
Curlew Sandpiper	<i>Calidris ferruginea</i>
Little Stint	<i>Calidris minuta</i>
Common Snipe	<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>
Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>
Green Sandpiper	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>
Marsh Sandpiper	<i>Tringa stagnatilis</i>
Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glareola</i>
Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>

CHARADRIIFORMES: Glareolidae

Temminck's Courser	<i>Cursorius temminckii</i>
Double-banded Courser	<i>Rhinoptilus africanus</i>
Three-banded (Heuglin's) Courser	<i>Rhinoptilus cinctus</i>
Collared Pratincole	<i>Glareola pratincola</i>

CHARADRIIFORMES: Laridae

Gull-billed Tern	<i>Gelochelidon nilotica</i>
Whiskered Tern	<i>Chlidonias hybrida</i>
White-winged Tern	<i>Chlidonias leucopterus</i>

CICONIIFORMES: Ciconiidae

Yellow-billed Stork	<i>Mycteria ibis</i>
African Openbill	<i>Anastomus lamelligerus</i>
Black Stork	<i>Ciconia nigra</i>
Abdim's Stork	<i>Ciconia abdimii</i>
White Stork	<i>Ciconia ciconia</i>
Saddle-billed Stork	<i>Ephippiorhynchus senegalensis</i>
Marabou Stork	<i>Leptoptilos crumenifer</i>

SULIFORMES: Phalacrocoracidae

Reed (Long-tailed) Cormorant	<i>Microcarbo africanus</i>
White-breasted Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax lucidus</i>

PELECANIFORMES: Threskiornithidae

African Sacred Ibis	<i>Threskiornis aethiopicus</i>
Hadada Ibis	<i>Bostrychia hagedash</i>
Glossy Ibis	<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>
African Spoonbill	<i>Platalea alba</i>

PELECANIFORMES: Ardeidae

Black-crowned Night Heron	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>
Striated Heron	<i>Butorides striata</i>
Squacco Heron	<i>Ardeola ralloides</i>
Rufous-bellied Heron	<i>Ardeola rufiventris</i>

Western Cattle Egret	Bubulcus ibis
Grey Heron	Ardea cinerea
Black-headed Heron	Ardea melanocephala
Goliath Heron	Ardea goliath
Purple Heron	Ardea purpurea
Great Egret	Ardea alba
Intermediate Egret	Ardea intermedia
Black Heron	Egretta ardesiaca
Little Egret	Egretta garzetta
PELECANIFORMES: Scopidae	
Hamerkop	Scopus umbretta
PELECANIFORMES: Pelecanidae	
Great White Pelican	Pelecanus onocrotalus
Pink-backed Pelican	Pelecanus rufescens
ACCIPITRIFORMES: Sagittariidae	
Secretarybird	Sagittarius serpentarius
ACCIPITRIFORMES: Accipitridae	
Black-winged Kite	Elanus caeruleus
African Harrier-Hawk	Polyboroides typus
European Honey Buzzard	Pernis apivorus
Hooded Vulture	Necrosyrtes monachus
White-backed Vulture	Gyps africanus
Rüppell's Vulture	Gyps rueppelli
White-headed Vulture	Trigonoceps occipitalis
Lappet-faced Vulture	Torgos tracheliotos
Black-chested Snake Eagle	Circaetus pectoralis
Brown Snake Eagle	Circaetus cinereus
Bateleur	Terathopius ecaudatus
Crowned Eagle	Stephanoaetus coronatus
Martial Eagle	Polemaetus bellicosus
Long-crested Eagle	Lophaetus occipitalis
Lesser Spotted Eagle	Clanga pomarina
Wahlberg's Eagle	Hieraaetus wahlbergi
Ayres's Hawk-Eagle	Hieraaetus ayresii
Tawny Eagle	Aquila rapax
Steppe Eagle	Aquila nipalensis
Verreaux's Eagle	Aquila verreauxii
African Hawk-Eagle	Aquila spilogaster
Gabar Goshawk	Micronisus gabar
Dark Chanting Goshawk	Melierax metabates
Eastern Chanting Goshawk	Melierax poliopterus

African Goshawk	Accipiter tachiro
Shikra	Accipiter badius
Levant Sparrowhawk	Accipiter brevipes
Little Sparrowhawk	Accipiter minullus
Ovambo Sparrowhawk	Accipiter ovampensis
Black (Great) Sparrowhawk	Accipiter melanoleucus
Western Marsh Harrier	Circus aeruginosus
African Marsh Harrier	Circus ranivorus
Pallid Harrier	Circus macrourus
Montagu's Harrier	Circus pygargus
Yellow-billed Kite	Milvus aegyptius
African Fish Eagle	Haliaeetus vocifer
Steppe Buzzard	Buteo buteo vulpinus
Mountain Buzzard	Buteo oreophilus
Augur Buzzard	Buteo augur
STRIGIFORMES: Strigidae	
African Scops Owl	Otus senegalensis
Spotted Eagle-Owl	Bubo africanus
Verreaux's Eagle-Owl	Bubo lacteus
Pearl-spotted Owlet	Glaucidium perlatum
COLIIFORMES: Coliidae	
Speckled Mousebird	Colius striatus
Blue-naped Mousebird	Urocolius macrourus
TROGONIFORMES: Trogonidae	
Narina Trogon	Apaloderma narina
BUCEROTIFORMES: Upupidae	
African Hoopoe	Upupa africana
BUCEROTIFORMES: Phoeniculidae	
Green Wood Hoopoe	Phoeniculus purpureus
Common Scimitarbill	Rhinopomastus cyanomelas
Abyssinian Scimitarbill	Rhinopomastus minor
BUCEROTIFORMES: Bucorvidae	
Southern Ground Hornbill	Bucorvus leadbeateri
BUCEROTIFORMES: Bucerotidae	
Tanzanian Red-billed Hornbill	Tockus ruahae
Northern Red-billed Hornbill	Tockus erythrorhynchus
Von der Decken's Hornbill	Tockus deckeni
Crowned Hornbill	Lophoceros alboterminatus
African Grey Hornbill	Lophoceros nasutus

Silvery-cheeked Hornbill	Bycanistes brevis
CORACIIFORMES: Coraciidae	
Purple Roller	Coracias naevius
Lilac-breasted Roller	Coracias caudatus
European Roller	Coracias garrulus
Broad-billed Roller	Eurystomus glaucurus
CORACIIFORMES: Alcedinidae	
Grey-headed Kingfisher	Halcyon leucocephala
Brown-hooded Kingfisher	Halcyon albiventris
Striped Kingfisher	Halcyon chelicuti
Woodland Kingfisher (H)	Halcyon senegalensis
African Pygmy Kingfisher	Ispidina picta
Malachite Kingfisher	Corythornis cristatus
Pied Kingfisher	Ceryle rudis
CORACIIFORMES: Meropidae	
Little Bee-eater	Merops pusillus
Cinnamon-chested Bee-eater	Merops oreobates
White-fronted Bee-eater	Merops bullockoides
European Bee-eater	Merops apiaster
PICIFORMES: Lybiidae	
White-eared Barbet	Stactolaema leucotis
Red-fronted Tinkerbird (H)	Pogoniulus pusillus
Red-fronted Barbet	Tricholaema diademata
White-headed Barbet	Lybius leucocephalus
Brown-breasted Barbet	Lybius melanopterus
Usambiro Barbet	Trachyphonus usambiro
Red-and-yellow Barbet	Trachyphonus erythrocephalus
D'Arnaud's Barbet	Trachyphonus darnaudii
PICIFORMES: Indicatoridae	
Green-backed Honeybird	Prodotiscus zambesiae
Pallid Honeyguide	Indicator meliphilus
Greater Honeyguide	Indicator indicator
Brown-backed (Wahlberg's) Honeybird	Prodotiscus regulus
PICIFORMES: Picidae	
Nubian Woodpecker	Campethera nubica
Golden-tailed Woodpecker	Campethera abingoni
Bearded Woodpecker	Chloropicus namaquus
Cardinal Woodpecker	Dendropicos fuscescens
African Grey Woodpecker	Dendropicos goertae

FALCONIFORMES: Falconidae

Pygmy Falcon	<i>Polihierax semitorquatus</i>
Lesser Kestrel	<i>Falco naumanni</i>
Common Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus rufescens</i>
Greater Kestrel	<i>Falco rupicoloides</i>
Red-necked Falcon	<i>Falco chicquera</i>
Eleonora's Falcon	<i>Falco eleonora</i>
Sooty Falcon	<i>Falco concolor</i>
Eurasian Hobby	<i>Falco subbuteo</i>
African Hobby	<i>Falco cuvierii</i>
Lanner Falcon	<i>Falco biarmicus</i>
Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>

PSITTACIFORMES: Psittacidae

Meyer's Parrot	<i>Poicephalus meyeri</i>
Red-bellied Parrot	<i>Poicephalus rufiventris</i>

PSITTACIFORMES: Psittaculidae

Fischer's Lovebird	<i>Agapornis fischeri</i>
Yellow-collared Lovebird	<i>Agapornis personatus</i>

PASSERIFORMES: Platysteiridae

Chinspot Batis	<i>Batis molitor</i>
Black-throated Wattle-eye	<i>Platysteira peltata</i>

PASSERIFORMES: Malaconotidae

Black-fronted Bushshrike	<i>Chlorophoneus nigrifrons</i>
Orange-breasted Bushshrike	<i>Chlorophoneus sulfureopectus</i>
Brown-crowned Tchagra	<i>Tchagra australis</i>
Black-crowned Tchagra (H)	<i>Tchagra senegalus</i>
Black-backed Puffback	<i>Dryoscopus cubla</i>
Slate-colored Boubou	<i>Laniarius funebris</i>
Tropical Boubou	<i>Laniarius major</i>
Black-headed Gonolek	<i>Laniarius erythrogaster</i>
Brubru	<i>Nilaus afer</i>

PASSERIFORMES: Vangidae

White-crested Helmetshrike	<i>Prionops plumatus</i>
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PASSERIFORMES: Campephagidae

Black Cuckooshrike	<i>Campephaga flava</i>
Purple-throated Cuckooshrike	<i>Campephaga quiscalina</i>

PASSERIFORMES: Laniidae

Magpie Shrike	<i>Urolestes melanoleucus</i>
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Northern White-crowned Shrike	<i>Eurocephalus ruppelli</i>
Red-backed Shrike	<i>Lanius collurio</i>
Lesser Grey Shrike	<i>Lanius minor</i>
Grey-backed Fiscal	<i>Lanius excubitoroides</i>
Long-tailed Fiscal	<i>Lanius cabanisi</i>
Taita Fiscal	<i>Lanius dorsalis</i>
Northern Fiscal	<i>Lanius humeralis</i>
PASSERIFORMES: Oriolidae	
Eurasian Golden Oriole	<i>Oriolus oriolus</i>
Black-headed Oriole	<i>Oriolus larvatus</i>
PASSERIFORMES: Dicruridae	
Fork-tailed Drongo	<i>Dicrurus adsimilis</i>
PASSERIFORMES: Monarchidae	
African Paradise Flycatcher	<i>Terpsiphone viridis</i>
PASSERIFORMES: Corvidae	
Cape Crow	<i>Corvus capensis</i>
Pied Crow	<i>Corvus albus</i>
White-necked Raven	<i>Corvus albicollis</i>
PASSERIFORMES: Stenostiridae	
White-tailed Blue Flycatcher	<i>Elminia albicauda</i>
PASSERIFORMES: Paridae	
Red-throated Tit	<i>Melaniparus fringillinus</i>
PASSERIFORMES: Remizidae	
Buff-bellied Penduline Tit	<i>Anthoscopus sylviella</i>
PASSERIFORMES: Alaudidae	
Beesley's Lark	<i>Chersomanes beesleyi</i>
Fischer's Sparrow-Lark	<i>Eremopterix leucopareia</i>
Foxy Lark	<i>Calendulauda alopec</i>
Rufous-naped Lark	<i>Mirafra africana</i>
Flappet Lark	<i>Mirafra rufocinnamomea</i>
Singing Bush Lark	<i>Mirafra cantillans</i>
White-tailed Lark	<i>Mirafra albicauda</i>
Short-tailed Lark	<i>Spizocorys fremantlii</i>
Red-capped Lark	<i>Calandrella cinerea</i>
Athi Short-toed Lark	<i>Alaudala athensis</i>
PASSERIFORMES: Pycnonotidae	
Dark-capped Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus tricolor</i>

Mountain Greenbul	Arizelocichla nigriceps
Stripe-faced Greenbul	Arizelocichla striifacies
Little Greenbul	Eurillas virens
Yellow-bellied Greenbul	Chlorocichla flaviventris
Grey-olive Greenbul	Phyllastrephus cerviniventris
Cabanis's Greenbul	Phyllastrephus cabanisi

PASSERIFORMES: Hirundinidae

White-headed Saw-wing	Psalidoprocne albiceps
Black Saw-wing	Psalidoprocne pristoptera
Brown-throated Martin	Riparia paludicola
Sand Martin	Riparia riparia
Banded Martin (L)	Riparia cincta
Barn Swallow	Hirundo rustica
Angolan Swallow	Hirundo angolensis
Wire-tailed Swallow	Hirundo smithii
Rock Martin	Ptyonoprogne fuligula
Common House Martin	Delichon urbicum
Lesser Striped Swallow	Cecropis abyssinica
Red-breasted (Rufous-chested) Swallow	Cecropis semirufa
Mosque Swallow	Cecropis senegalensis
Red-rumped Swallow	Cecropis daurica

PASSERIFORMES: Macrosphenidae

Moustached Grass Warbler	Melocichla mentalis
Red-faced Crombec	Sylvietta whytii

PASSERIFORMES: Phylloscopidae

Willow Warbler	Phylloscopus trochilus
Brown Woodland Warbler	Phylloscopus umbrovirens

PASSERIFORMES: Acrocephalidae

Lesser Swamp Warbler	Acrocephalus gracilirostris
Caspian Reed Warbler	Acrocephalus scirpaceus fuscus
African Yellow Warbler	Iduna natalensis
Mountain Yellow Warbler	Iduna similis

PASSERIFORMES: Locustellidae

Fan-tailed Grassbird	Catriscus brevirostris
Cinnamon Bracken Warbler	Bradypterus cinnamomeus

PASSERIFORMES: Cisticolidae

Red-faced Cisticola	Cisticola erythrops
Singing Cisticola	Cisticola cantans
Trilling Cisticola	Cisticola woosnami

Hunter's Cisticola	Cisticola hunteri
Rock-loving Cisticola	Cisticola emini
Rattling Cisticola	Cisticola chiniana
Lynes's Cisticola	Cisticola distinctus
Winding Cisticola	Cisticola marginatus
Croaking Cisticola	Cisticola natalensis
Tiny Cisticola	Cisticola nana
Long-tailed Cisticola	Cisticola angusticauda
Zitting Cisticola	Cisticola juncidis
Desert Cisticola	Cisticola aridulus
Pectoral-patch Cisticola	Cisticola brunnescens
Tawny-flanked Prinia	Prinia subflava
Buff-bellied Warbler	Phyllolais pulchella
Bar-throated Apalis	Apalis thoracica
Yellow-breasted Apalis	Apalis flava
Black-headed Apalis	Apalis melanocephala
Karamoja Apalis	Apalis karamojae
Brown-headed Apalis	Apalis alticola
Grey-capped Warbler	Eminia lepida
Grey-backed Camaroptera	Camaroptera brevicaudata
Grey Wren-Warbler	Calamonastes simplex
Yellow-bellied Eremomela	Eremomela icteropygialis

PASSERIFORMES: Leiothrichidae

Rufous Chatterer	Argya rubiginosa
Arrow-marked Babbler	Turdoides jardineii
Northern Pied Babbler	Turdoides hypoleuca
Black-lored Babbler	Turdoides sharpei

PASSERIFORMES: Sylviidae

African Hill Babbler	Pseudoalcippe abyssinica
Eurasian Blackcap	Sylvia atricapilla
Garden Warbler	Sylvia borin
Brown Parisoma	Sylvia lugens
Banded Parisoma	Sylvia boehmi

PASSERIFORMES: Zosteropidae

Mbulu White-eye	Zosterops mbuluensis
Pale White-eye	Zosterops flavilateralis
Broad-ringed (Volcano) White-eye	Zosterops eurycricotus

PASSERIFORMES: Sturnidae

Wattled Starling	Creatophora cinerea
Greater Blue-eared Starling	Lamprotornis chalybaeus
Rüppell's Starling	Lamprotornis purpuroptera

Superb Starling	Lamprotornis superbus
Hildebrandt's Starling	Lamprotornis hildebrandti
Ashy Starling	Lamprotornis unicolor
Fischer's Starling	Lamprotornis fischeri
Violet-backed Starling	Cinnyricinclus leucogaster
Red-winged Starling	Onychognathus morio
Kenrick's Starling	Poeoptera kenricki
PASSERIFORMES: Buphagidae	
Yellow-billed Oxpecker	Buphagus africanus
Red-billed Oxpecker	Buphagus erythrorhynchus
PASSERIFORMES: Turdidae	
African Thrush	Turdus pelios
Bare-eyed Thrush (H)	Turdus tephronotus
Abyssinian (Olive) Thrush	Turdus abyssinicus
PASSERIFORMES: Muscicapidae	
Bearded Scrub Robin	Cercotrichas quadrivirgata
White-browed Scrub Robin	Cercotrichas leucophrys
White-eyed Slaty Flycatcher	Melaenornis fischeri
Southern Black Flycatcher	Melaenornis pammelaina
African Grey Flycatcher	Melaenornis microrhynchus
Silverbird	Empidonax semipartitus
Spotted Flycatcher	Muscicapa striata
Swamp Flycatcher	Muscicapa aquatica
African Dusky Flycatcher	Muscicapa adusta
Cape Robin-Chat	Cossypha caffra
Rüppell's Robin-Chat	Cossypha semirufa
White-browed Robin-Chat	Cossypha heuglini
Red-capped Robin-Chat	Cossypha natalensis
Spotted Palm Thrush	Cichladusa guttata
Whinchat	Saxicola rubetra
African Stonechat	Saxicola torquatus
Sooty Chat	Myrmecocichla nigra
Anteater Chat	Myrmecocichla aethiops
Northern Wheatear	Oenanthe oenanthe
Capped Wheatear	Oenanthe pileata
Isabelline Wheatear	Oenanthe isabellina
Pied Wheatear	Oenanthe pleschanka
Abyssinian (Schalow's) Wheatear	Oenanthe lugubris schalowi
PASSERIFORMES: Nectariniidae	
Eastern Violet-backed Sunbird	Anthreptes orientalis
Collared Sunbird	Hedydipna collaris

Green-headed Sunbird	Cyanomitra verticalis
Olive Sunbird	Cyanomitra olivacea
Amethyst Sunbird	Chalcomitra amethystina
Scarlet-chested Sunbird	Chalcomitra senegalensis
Bronzy Sunbird	Nectarinia kilimensis
Golden-winged Sunbird	Drepanorhynchus reichenowi
Eastern Double-collared Sunbird	Cinnyris mediocris
Beautiful Sunbird	Cinnyris pulchellus
Marico Sunbird	Cinnyris mariquensis
Red-chested Sunbird	Cinnyris erythrocerus
Gorgeous Sunbird	Cinnyris melanogastrus

PASSERIFORMES: Passeridae

House Sparrow	Passer domesticus
Kenya Sparrow	Passer rufocinctus
Northern Grey-headed Sparrow	Passer griseus
Swahili Sparrow	Passer suahelicus
Chestnut Sparrow	Passer eminibey
Yellow-spotted Bush Sparrow	Gymnoris pyrgita

PASSERIFORMES: Ploceidae

Red-billed Buffalo Weaver	Bubalornis niger
White-headed Buffalo Weaver	Dinemellia dinemelli
Rufous-tailed Weaver	Histurgops ruficauda
Grey-capped Social Weaver	Pseudonigrita arnaudi
Speckle-fronted Weaver	Sporopipes frontalis
Thick-billed (Grosbeak) Weaver	Amblyospiza albifrons
Baglafaecht Weaver	Ploceus baglafaecht
Slender-billed Weaver	Ploceus pelzelni
Spectacled Weaver	Ploceus ocularis
Black-necked Weaver	Ploceus nigricollis
Holub's Golden Weaver	Ploceus xanthops
Taveta Weaver	Ploceus castaneiceps
Northern Brown-throated Weaver	Ploceus castanops
Lesser Masked Weaver	Ploceus intermedius
Vitelline Masked Weaver	Ploceus vitellinus
Speke's Weaver	Ploceus spekei
Village Weaver	Ploceus cucullatus
Black-headed Weaver	Ploceus melanocephalus
Chestnut Weaver	Ploceus rubiginosus
Red-headed Weaver	Anaplectes rubriceps
Red-billed Quelea	Quelea quelea
Black Bishop	Euplectes gierowii
Southern Red Bishop	Euplectes orix
Yellow Bishop	Euplectes capensis

Fan-tailed Widowbird	Euplectes axillaris
Red-collared Widowbird	Euplectes ardens
PASSERIFORMES: Estrildidae	
Grey-headed Nigrita	Nigrita canicapillus
Green-winged Pytilia	Pytilia melba
Cut-throat Finch	Amadina fasciata
Red-throated (Peter's) Twinspot	Hypargos niveoguttatus
Red-billed Firefinch	Lagonosticta senegala
Red-cheeked Cordon-bleu	Uraeginthus bengalus
Blue-capped Cordon-bleu	Uraeginthus cyanocephalus
Purple Grenadier	Uraeginthus ianthinogaster
Yellow-bellied Waxbill	Coccygria quartinia
Common Waxbill	Estrilda astrild
Black-faced Waxbill	Estrilda erythronotos
Quailfinch	Ortygospiza atricollis
Grey-headed Silverbill	Odontospiza caniceps
Bronze Mannikin	Lonchura cucullata
Red-backed Mannikin	Lonchura nigriceps
PASSERIFORMES: Viduidae	
Pin-tailed Whydah	Vidua macroura
Long-tailed (Eastern) Paradise Whydah	Vidua paradisaea
PASSERIFORMES: Motacillidae	
Western Yellow Wagtail	Motacilla flava
Mountain Wagtail	Motacilla clara
African Pied Wagtail	Motacilla aguimp
Yellow-throated Longclaw	Macronyx croceus
Pangani Longclaw	Macronyx aurantiigula
Rosy-throated Longclaw	Macronyx ameliae
African (Grassland) Pipit	Anthus cinnamomeus
Long-billed Pipit	Anthus similis
Plain-backed Pipit	Anthus leucophrys
Tree Pipit	Anthus trivialis
PASSERIFORMES: Fringillidae	
Oriole Finch	Linurgus olivaceus
Southern Citril	Crithagra hyposticta
Reichenow's Seedeater	Crithagra reichenowi
Yellow-fronted Canary	Crithagra mozambica
White-bellied Canary	Crithagra dorsostriata
Southern Grosbeak-Canary	Crithagra buehleri
Thick-billed Seedeater	Crithagra burtoni
Streaky Seedeater	Crithagra striolata

PASSERIFORMES: Emberizidae

Cinnamon-breasted Bunting

Emberiza tahapisi

LIST OF MAMMALS SEEN

Rock Hyrax

Procavia capensis

Bush (Yellow-spotted) Hyrax

Heterohyrax brucei

African (Savanna) Elephant

Loxodonta africana

Guereza Colobus

Colobus guereza

Olive Baboon

Papio anubis

Vervet Monkey

Chlorocebus pygerythrus

Syke's Monkey

Cercopithecus mitis

African Savanna (Scrub) Hare

Lepus victoriae

Unstriped Ground Squirrel

Xerus rutilus

Ochre Bush Squirrel

Paraxerus ochraceus

Grass Rat sp.

Arvicanthis sp.

Common (Golden) Jackal

Canis aureus

Black-backed Jackal

Canis mesomelus

Bat-eared Fox

Otocyon megalotis

Cheetah

Acinonyx jubatus

Serval Cat

Felis serval

Wild Cat

Felis sylvestris

Lion

Panthera leo

Leopard

Panthera pardus

Caracal

Caracal caracal

Common (Large-spotted) Genet

Genetta genetta

Spotted Hyena

Crocota crocuta

African Civet

Civettictis civetta

Egyptian Mongoose

Herpestes ichneumon

Slender Mongoose

Herpestes sanguineus

Banded Mongoose

Mungos mungo

Dwarf Mongoose

Helogale parvula

Black Rhinoceros

Ceratotherium simum

Plains Zebra

Equus quagga

Common Warthog

Pharcochoerus africanus

Bushpig

Potamochoerus larvatus

Hippopotamus

Hippopotamus amphibius

Giraffe

Giraffe camelopardalis

African (Cape) Buffalo

Syncerus caffer

Lesser Kudu

Tragelaphus imberbis

Eland

Taurotragus oryx

Bushbuck

Tragelaphus scriptus

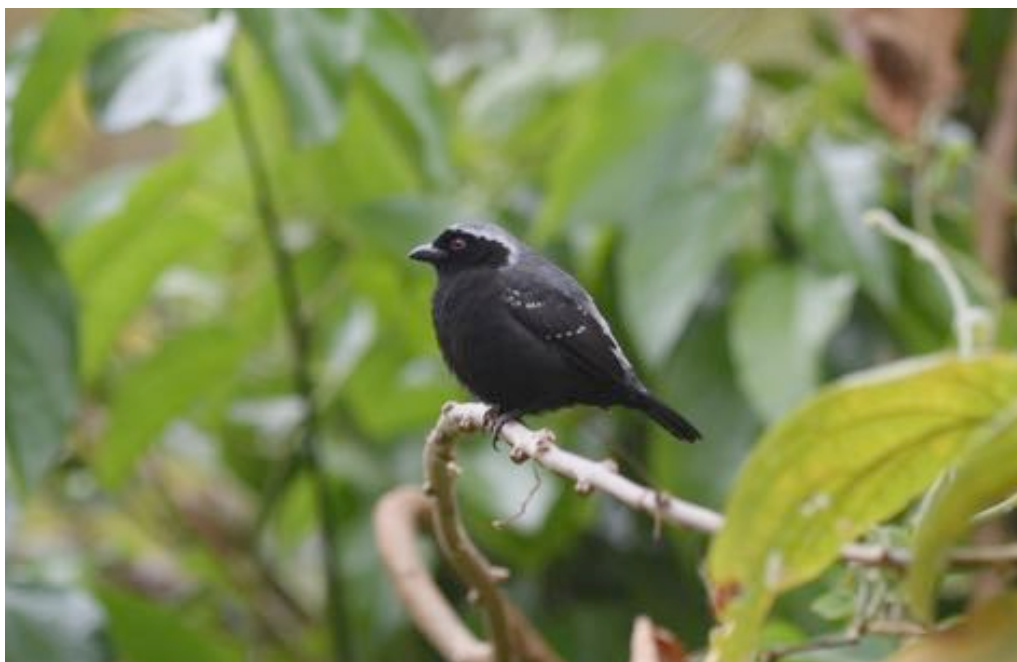
Natal Red (Harvey's) Duiker

Cephalophus natalensis harveyi

Kirk's Dikdik	<i>Rhynchotragus kirkii</i>
Klipspringer	<i>Oreotragus oreotragus</i>
Thomson's (Red-fronted) Gazelle	<i>Gazella rufifrons</i>
Grant's Gazelle	<i>Gazella granti</i>
Bohor Reedbuck	<i>Redunca redunca</i>
Waterbuck	<i>Kobus ellipsiprymnus</i>
Impala	<i>Aepyceros melampus</i>
Topi	<i>Damaliscus korrigum</i>
Coke's Hartebeest	<i>Alcelaphus buselaphus</i>
Eastern White-bearded Wildebeest	<i>Connochaetes taurinus</i>

REPTILES and AMPHIBIANS

Meller's One-horned Chameleon	<i>Trioceros melleri</i>
Flap-necked Chameleon	<i>Chamaeleo dilepis</i>
Variable Skink	<i>Mabuya varia</i>
Red-headed Agama	<i>Agama agama</i>
Speckle-lipped Skink	<i>Trachylepis albilabris</i>
Puff Adder	<i>Bitis arietans</i>
Spitting Cobra	<i>Naja nigricollis</i>
African Rock Python	<i>Python sebae</i>
Nile Monitor	<i>Varanus niloticus</i>
Leopard Tortoise	<i>Stigmochelys pardalis</i>



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