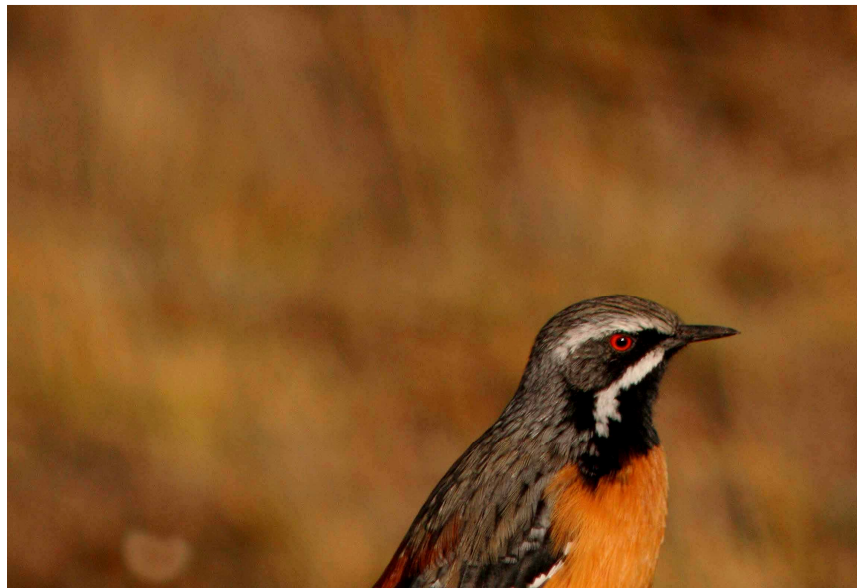


# **SOUTH AFRICA**

October 2 – 23, 2008

## **KRUGER PARK EXTENSION**

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Orange-breasted Rock-jumper

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TOUR REPORT  
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This year's South Africa tour took place in a context of climatic contrasts. The Cape was coming off its wettest winter in over 50 years, and water was everywhere—including lapping against the road in the Karoo (usually an arid, semi-desert area). The rest of the country was hot, dry, and dusty, and anxiously awaiting the start of the summer rainy season.

In spite of the goods rains, or possibly because of them, spring appeared late in the Cape and many of the migrants that have typically arrived by this time remained elusive. We still, however, managed one of our best Cape “legs” ever, with great sightings of most of our target species.

Our trip around False Bay to the small coastal town of Betty's Bay took place in changeable weather, with intermittent rain squalls threatening. Our first stop at the Strandfontein Beach Resort brought great scope views of six African Black Oystercatchers roosting on the rocks in the tidal pool, as well as Cape, Crowned, and Great (White-breasted) Cormorants.

The hamlet of Rooi Els saw us walking along a disused gravel road, scanning the hill slope above the town for a glimpse of the striking Cape Rockjumpers. An early diversion came in the form of a Cape Grassbird calling stridently from a clump of protea, giving everyone great, close views. This was followed by stunning views of a male Cape Rock-Thrush, a Cape Bunting, and then an exquisite Orange-breasted Sunbird sitting less than two yards away. A pair of majestic Verreaux's Eagles took to the skies, soaring effortlessly along the cliffs in search of rock hyrax, their favorite prey. Margaret's sharp eyes picked up a superbly camouflaged pair of klipspringer—small, agile, rock-loving antelope.

Suddenly, a male Rockjumper called briefly from a rock before disappearing back into the vegetation. We now knew where the birds were, however, and over the next few minutes were treated to repeated scope views of the male and female, as well as two recently fledged youngsters.

Our luck held out. Movement on a large rock right next to the group drew attention to a Ground Woodpecker—a strange, almost prehistoric-looking bird that nests in tunnels excavated into the soil! After eyeing us suspiciously from only three yards away, it flew off and disappeared behind a large boulder. It was time to head for the Harold Porter Botanical Gardens.

Having failed to locate our quest bird, a Victorin's Warbler, in its normal haunt, we were slowly making our way towards the gate when we heard its distinctive call coming from the far side of the garden. Things went quiet when we reached the spot, but a snatch of playback immediately had it responding and eventually sitting out in full view on the edge of the track—less than two

yards away! Here was a bird that usually proves very tough giving us walkaway, full-frame views...WOW! Spectacular views of a male Swee Waxbill, one of our smaller and more attractive endemic seedeaters, feeding unconcernedly on the path, wrapped up a great visit to the Gardens.

Our last stop was the Stoney Point penguin colony, one of only three mainland nesting sites for Africa's only penguin species. The sun was out and we were assailed by the sights, sounds, and smells of hundreds of African penguins coming and going around and even underneath us. Walking along the boardwalk we would suddenly become aware of a penguin speculatively eyeing our ankles, or of an adult regurgitating fish for its tiny, fluffy nestlings only yards from the group.

Beyond the penguins, numbers of cormorants were happily indulging in courtship and nest-building, giving the group superb scope views and a chance to sort out the three endemic marine cormorants—Crowned, Bank, and Cape—that are found off the Cape coast.

Driving back to our hotel, we had several groups of southern right whales in the bay, with several bulls contesting the right to mate with a cow...a perfect ending to a fantastic day.

Sugarloaf Campground in St. Lucia has to be one of the best birding spots in Zululand, and we have yet to have a bad day here on these tours. This year, however, the birding was incredible, with all of the "East Coast specials" apparently trying to outdo each other in the quality of the sightings they offered.

Barely had we entered the campground when a harsh crowing, krok...krok...krok...announced the presence of Livingstone's Turaco. We crept closer, only to see first one, then another bird fly out—their crimson remiges contrasting vividly with the metallic greens and blues of the rest of their plumage. A little later, there the two birds were, quietly sitting above our heads and studying us carefully. We had to back away to place the scope (they were that close!). Every detail of these glorious birds was etched into our memories, from their spectacular, long, white-tipped spike-like crests to their outrageously exotic white, black, and scarlet eye "make-up"! It doesn't get any better than this!

Next came stunning views of a pair of Rudd's Apalis (their small, delicate build and subtle coloring in marked contrast to the "over-the-top" knock-out of the turacos) as they busily searched the foliage of a small tree next to us for insects.

A strange, metallic-sounding weeeagh...wonk...weeeagh...wonk...chck...e...ck...chck...e...ck announced the appearance of yet another of our target birds—a pair of Woodward's Batis. These are perhaps the most delicately colored of the batis group, but as we watched them moving about in the bushes, their wings making soft "fripping" sounds in each flight, everyone was entranced.

We were still looking for Brown Scrub-Robin, however, and time was running out! Suddenly two birds shot out of the bush-clump next to us and chased each other almost through our legs. "Brown Scrub-Robins," I shouted, hoping that at least some of the group would catch a glimpse of these often elusive birds. What happened next was incredible: the birds returned and perched

opposite each other, out in the open, and only yards from our spellbound party! Their hauntingly plaintive song filled our ears as we studied the front, sides, back, and tails of first one, and then the other bird.

After several minutes we reluctantly left them and headed for the bus, each of us blown away by some of the best views ever of these special birds.

# SOUTH AFRICA 2008

## ITINERARY

### Main Tour

- Oct. 03 - Alphen Greenbelt, Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens
- Oct. 04 - Alphen Hotel to Tulbagh via Paarl Mountain Reserve , Paarl Bird Sanctuary and Bains' Kloof Pass
- Oct. 05 - Tulbagh to the Karoo via Karooport
- Oct. 06 - Tulbagh to Cape Town via Worcester and the Huguenot Tunnel; Hohenhort Greenbelt
- Oct. 07 - Pelagic trip
- Oct. 08 - False Bay; (Strandfontein, Rooi Els, Harold Porter Botanical Garden and Stoney Point Penguin Colony, Betty's Bay)
- Oct. 09 - West Coast National Park via Tienie Versveldt Wildflower Reserve
- Oct. 10 - Cape Peninsular (Hohenhort Greenbelt, Kirstenbosch, Kommetjie, Cape Point and Boulders Penguin Colony)
- Oct. 11 - Alphen grounds; Flight to Durban and drive to the Sani Pass Hotel, Himeville
- Oct. 12 - Sani Pass and Lesotho
- Oct. 13 - Natal Midlands and Xumeni Forest, Donnybrooke
- Oct. 14 - Sani Pass Hotel to Mtunzini via Howick Falls and Dlinza Forest, Eshowe
- Oct. 15 - Umlalazi Nature Reserve & Ongoye Forest
- Oct. 16 - Mtunzini to Bonamanzi via Thulasihleka Pan (Richard's Bay) and Sugarloaf campground, St Lucia
- Oct. 17 - Bonamanzi/ Hluhluwe Game Reserve
- Oct. 18 - Bonamanzi (am), transfer to Ezulwini Reserve (pm)
- Oct. 19 - Ezulwini Reserve to Wetlands Lodge, Wakkerstroom
- Oct. 20 - Wakkerstroom
- Oct. 21 - Wakkerstroom to Johannesburg via Suikerbosrand Nature Reserve
- Oct. 22 - Marievale Bird Sanctuary

### Kruger National Park extension

- Oct. 23 - Johannesburg to Skukuza Rest Camp (KNP) via Belfast, Dullstroom, Lydenburg and Sabie
- Oct. 24 - Skukuza to Lower Sabie, KNP
- Oct. 25 - Skukuza to Satara Camp, KNP
- Oct. 26 - Satara Camp to Olifants Camp, KNP
- Oct. 27 - Satara to Johannesburg via Orpen Gate, Srijdom Tunnel and Abel Erasmus Pass
- Oct. 28 - Walter Sisulu Botanical Gardens; Flights home

### TOUR SUMMARY

A tour of contrasts - with the Cape having experienced its wettest winter in 50 years, while the rest of the country was still waiting for the first of the spring rains! Water was lying everywhere in the Cape - even in the Karoo where dams that are normally dry, or just muddy puddles were overflowing - and full of birds! The season seemed late in starting and many of the Palearctic-, and inter-African- migrants had not yet arrived. Conditions made for a few surprises - with certain species that are usually a given on this itinerary being absent (or very hard to find) while others gave us some of the best views ever. Certainly, the fact that the bush on the eastern side of the country had not yet begun to 'green' up meant that certain species were much easier to see - giving us great views of several attractive bush-shrikes, Trogons and Turacos!

The Kruger Park extension added a number of raptors, storks, hornbills and other savanna species as well as good views of a male African Finfoot. It also gave a boost to the number of mammals recorded - including great elephant sightings and also the rather gruesome sight of a pride of 10 lions killing a hippo cow and her calf.

### TRIP SIGHTINGS

- E** Endemic species - species confined to the southern African sub-region (i.e. south of the Zambezi and Cunene rivers).
- NE** Near-endemic species - species largely restricted to the sub-region.
- BE** Breeding endemic - species which nest only in the sub-region but move/ migrate further afield after the breeding season.
- LB** Leader bird only
- h** Heard only









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Hawks, Eagles & Kites		Accipitridae																			
African Hawk-Eagle	<i>Aquila spilogaster</i>																			■	
Booted Eagle	<i>Aquila pennata</i>	▲	▲																		
Martial Eagle	<i>Polemaetus bellicosus</i>					▲															■
Long-crested Eagle	<i>Lophaetus occipitalis</i>						▲		▲			▲									■
Crowned Hawk-Eagle	<i>Stephanoaetus coronatus</i>									▲											

Falcons & Caracaras		Falconidae																			
Eurasian Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>																				
(Rock Kestrel)	<i>(Falco (t.) rupicolis)</i>	▲	▲		▲	▲		▲											▲		■
Lanner Falcon	<i>Falco biarmicus</i>							▲		▲											
Taita Falcon	<i>Falco fasciinucha</i>																				■

Pheasants & Partridges		Phasianidae																				
Crested Francolin	<i>Fr. (Dendroperdix) sephaena</i>																				■	
Red-winged Francolin	<i>Francolinus (Scleroptila) levaillantii</i>																			▲		

<b>E</b>	Gray-winged Francolin	<i>Francolinus (Scleroptila) africanus</i>		▲																		
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<b>E</b>	Cape Francolin	<i>Francolinus (Pternistis) capensis</i>	▲	▲		▲	▲															
<b>NE</b>	Natal Francolin (Spurfowl)	<i>Francolinus (Pternistis) natalensis</i>																				■
<b>NE</b>	Swainson's Francolin	<i>Francolinus (Pternistis) swainsonii</i>																		▲	▲	■
	Common Quail	<i>Coturnix coturnix</i>						▲												▲		

Guineafowl		Numididae																				
Helmeted Guineafowl	<i>Numida meleagris</i>	▲	▲		▲	▲	▲		▲				▲	▲		▲	▲	▲			■	
Crested Guineafowl	<i>Guttera pucherani</i>												▲	▲	▲	▲						

Buttonquails		Turnicidae																				
Small Buttonquail	<i>Turnix sylvaticus</i>																					

<b>E</b>	Gray Crowned-Crane	<i>Balearica regulorum</i>									▲										▲	
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<b>E</b>	Blue Crane	<i>Grus paradisea</i>	▲	▲							▲										▲	
	Wattled Crane	<i>Bugeranus carunculatus</i>									▲											

Rails, Gallinules & Coots		Rallidae																				
Buff-spotted Flufftail	<i>Sarothrura elegans</i>	▲																				

<b>E</b>	African Rail	<i>Rallus caerulescens</i>																			▲	
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<b>E</b>	Black Crake	<i>Amauornis flavirostris</i>		▲								▲	▲	▲	▲	▲					▲	■
	Purple Swamphen	<i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>											▲			▲	▲				▲	
	Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>	▲	▲		▲	▲			▲		▲			▲	▲	▲	▲	▲			
	Red-knobbed Coot	<i>Fulica cristata</i>	▲	▲			▲	▲		▲	▲		▲			▲	▲	▲	▲			■

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**Sungrebe & Finfoots**

**Heliornithidae**

African Finfoot	<i>Podica senegalensis</i>																			■
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# Great views of a male swimming in the Sabie River, then leaving the water to show everyone its bright scarlet legs and feet - Kruger NP

**Bustards**

**Otididae**

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Denham's (Stanley) Bustard	<i>Neotis denhami</i>									▲										
Blue Bustard (Korhaan)	<i>Eupodotis caerulescens</i>																		▲	
Red-crested Bustard (Korhaan)	<i>Eupodotis ruficrista</i>																			■
Black Bustard (Southern Black Korhaan)	<i>Eupodotis afra</i>			h						▲										
Black-bellied Bustard	<i>Lissotis melanogaster</i>																		▲	

# A brilliant view of a male caught in the spotlight - Bonamanzi nightdrive

**Jacanas**

**Jacanidae**

African Jacana	<i>Actophilornis africanus</i>																		▲	▲	▲						■
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**Painted-Snipe**

**Rostratulidae**

Greater Painted-snipe	<i>Rostratula benghalensis</i>																											■
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**Oystercatchers**

**Haematopodidae**

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African (Black) Oystercatcher	<i>Haematopus moquini</i>	▲		▲	▲	▲																						
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**Stilts & Avocets**

**Recurvirostridae**

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

**Thick-knees**

**Burhinidae**

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

**Couriers & Pratincoles**

**Glareolidae**

Collared Pratincole	<i>Glareola pratincola</i>																											
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**Plovers & Lapwings**

**Charadriidae**

Blacksmith Plover	<i>Vanellus armatus</i>	▲	▲		▲	▲	▲			▲	▲										▲	▲	▲	▲				■
White-headed (crowned) Lapwing	<i>Vanellus albiceps</i>																											■
Senegal Lapwing	<i>Vanellus lugubris</i>																									▲		
Black-winged Lapwing	<i>Vanellus melanopterus</i>																									▲		

# Amazing, ultra-close views of both this, and the previous species within minutes of each other - Hluhluwe floodplain, Bonamanzi

Crowned Lapwing	<i>Vanellus coronatus</i>			▲		▲																▲				▲	▲	▲	■
Wattled Lapwing	<i>Vanellus senegallus</i>																									▲	▲		■
Black-bellied Plover	<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>																									▲			
Common Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>																									▲			
Kittlitz's Plover	<i>Charadrius pecuarius</i>																									▲			
Three-banded Plover	<i>Charadrius tricollaris</i>	▲																								▲	▲	▲	■
White-fronted Plover	<i>Charadrius marginatus</i>																									▲	▲		■

**Sandpipers & Allies**

**Scolopacidae**

African Snipe	<i>Gallinago nigripennis</i>																										▲			▲	
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**Parrots, Macaws & Allies**

**Psittacidae**

Brown-necked Parrot	<i>Poicephalus r. suahelicus</i>																		
Cape Parrot	<i>Poicephalus robustus</i>								▲										
Brown-headed Parrot	<i>Poicephalus cryptoxanthus</i>																		■

**Turacos**

**Musophagidae**

Livingstone's Turaco	<i>Tauraco livingstonii</i>											▲							
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# Best-ever views of a pair of these gorgeous birds that eyed us quizzically from just above our heads - Sugarloaf Campground, St Lucia

<b>E</b> Knysna Turaco	<i>Tauraco corythaix</i>								▲										
Purple-crested Turaco	<i>Tauraco porphyreolophus</i>								h	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲					■
Gray Go-away-bird	<i>Corythaixoides concolor</i>																		■

**Cuckoos**

**Cuculidae**

Levaillant's Cuckoo	<i>Clamator levaillantii</i>																		■
Red-chested Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus solitarius</i>							▲	▲	h			▲	▲	▲				■

# Amazing views of an adult feeding on earthworms on the ground next to our group - Sani pass Hotel

Black Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus clamosus</i>								▲	▲									
African Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus gularis</i>														▲				■
Klaas' Cuckoo	<i>Chrysococcyx klaas</i>											▲	▲	▲					■
African Emerald Cuckoo	<i>Chrysococcyx cupreus</i>								h	h		h			▲				
Dideric Cuckoo	<i>Chrysococcyx caprius</i>	h										▲	▲	▲				▲	▲
White-browed Coucal	<i>Centropus superciliosus</i>																		
(Burchell's Coucal)	<i>(Centropus (s.) burchelli)</i>	h									▲	▲		▲	h				■

**Typical Owls**

**Strigidae**

African Scops-Owl	<i>Otus senegalensis</i>																		■
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# Fantastic, ultra-close views of a pair roosting in the car park, Satara, Kruger National Park. The one bird was less than 3 yards away!

Verreaux's -Owl	<i>Bubo lacteus</i>																		■
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**Nightjars & Allies**

**Caprimulgidae**

Fiery-necked Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus pectoralis</i>														h				
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**Swifts**

**Apodidae**

African Palm-Swift	<i>Cypsiurus parvus</i>									▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲				▲
Alpine Swift	<i>Tachymarptis melba</i>	▲	▲							▲									■
African (Black) Swift	<i>Apus barbatus</i>	▲	▲							▲									
Little Swift	<i>Apus affinis</i>									▲		▲	▲		▲			▲	■
White-rumped Swift	<i>Apus caffer</i>		▲							▲	▲	▲		▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	■

**Mousebirds**

**Coliidae**

Speckled Mousebird	<i>Colius striatus</i>	▲	▲							▲	▲			▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲
<b>E</b> White-backed Mousebird	<i>Colius colius</i>	▲																	
Red-faced Mousebird	<i>Urocolius indicus</i>									▲				▲	▲	▲		▲	■

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**Trogons**

**Trogonidae**

Narina Trogon	<i>Apaloderma narina</i>										▲			▲	▲				
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# Crippling, best-ever views of a male called out onto the edge of Ongoye Forest - which just sat calling while the group all enjoyed repeat, full-frame scope views. It was so close we could see the wrinkles in the throat sack disappear as it inflated each time it called. WOW!!!

**Kingfishers**

**Alcedinidae**

Malachite Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo cristata</i>		▲							▲									▲
Brown-hooded Kingfisher	<i>Halcyon albiventris</i>								▲			▲	▲	▲	▲				■
Giant Kingfisher	<i>Megaceryle maximus</i>		▲																■

**Kingfishers**

**Alcedinidae**

Pied Kingfisher	<i>Ceryle rudis</i>					▲						▲		▲	▲			▲	■
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**Bee-eaters**

**Meropidae**

White-fronted Bee-eater	<i>Merops bullockoides</i>																		■
Little Bee-eater	<i>Merops pusillus</i>																		■
European Bee-eater	<i>Merops apiaster</i>		▲			▲								▲					■

**Rollers**

**Coraciidae**

Lilac-breasted Roller	<i>Coracias caudata</i>																		■
Rufous-crowned (Purple) Roller	<i>Coracias naevia</i>																		■
Broad-billed Roller	<i>Eurystomus glaucurus</i>																		■

**Hoopoes**

**Upupidae**

Eurasian Hoopoe	<i>Upupa epops</i>																		
(African Hoopoe)	<i>(Upupa (e.) africanus)</i>	h											▲				▲		■

**Woodhoopoes**

**Phoeniculidae**

Green Woodhoopoe	<i>Phoeniculus purpureus</i>													▲	▲				■
Common Scimitar-bill	<i>Rhinopomastus cyanomelas</i>																		■

**Hornbills**

**Bucerotidae**

Red-billed Hornbill	<i>Tockus erythrorhynchus</i>																		■
Southern Yellow-billed Hornbill	<i>Tockus leucomelas</i>																		■
Crowned Hornbill	<i>Tockus alboterminatus</i>									▲		▲		▲	▲				

# Great, close views of a bird that flew in to inspect us - Dlinza Forest observation tower - Eshowe

African Gray Hornbill	<i>Tockus nasutus</i>																		■
Trumpeter Hornbill	<i>Ceratogymna bucinator</i>									▲	▲	▲							■
Southern Ground-Hornbill	<i>Bucorvus leadbeateri</i>										h								■

# After only hearing calls at Ongoye Forest, we finally encountered several parties of these strange-looking birds on the Kruger extension

**Barbets**

**Capitonidae**

Crested Barbet	<i>Trachyphonus vaillantii</i>																	▲	■
White-eared Barbet	<i>Stactolaema leucotis</i>									▲	▲	▲	▲						
Green (Woodward's) Barbet	<i>Stactolaema olivacea</i>									▲									
Yellow-rumped Tinkerbird	<i>Pogoniulus bilineatus</i>								h	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲					
Yellow-fronted Tinkerbird	<i>Pogoniulus chrysoconus</i>																		■
Red-fronted Tinkerbird	<i>Pogoniulus pusillus</i>									▲				▲	h				

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<b>Barbets</b>			<b>Capitonidae</b>																		
NE	Pied (Acacia Pied) Barbet	<i>Tricholaema leucomelas</i>		h			▲												▲		
	Black-collared Barbet	<i>Lybius torquatus</i>									▲	▲	▲	▲	▲				▲		■
<b>Honeyguides</b>			<b>Indicatoridae</b>																		
	Wahlberg's Honeyguide (Brown-backed Honeybird)	<i>Prodotiscus regulus</i>							▲	▲											■
	Lesser Honeyguide	<i>Indicator minor</i>									▲				▲						
<b>Woodpeckers &amp; Allies</b>			<b>Picidae</b>																		
	Rufous-necked Wryneck (Red-throated Wryneck)	<i>Jynx ruficollis</i>							▲	▲								▲	▲		
<b>Woodpeckers &amp; Allies</b>			<b>Picidae</b>																		
	Bennett's Woodpecker	<i>Campethera bennettii</i>																			■
	Golden-tailed Woodpecker	<i>Campethera abingoni</i>											h	▲	▲	▲	h				■
# A well-grown nesting calling from the entrance to the nest was great send-off to our visit to Kruger - Orpen Gate																					
E	Ground Woodpecker	<i>Geocolaptes olivaceus</i>				▲			▲												
	Cardinal Woodpecker	<i>Dendropicos fuscescens</i>				▲		▲	▲												■
	Bearded Woodpecker	<i>Dendropicos namaquus</i>																			■
	Olive Woodpecker	<i>Dendropicos griseocephalus</i>						▲	▲		▲										
<b>Broadbills</b>			<b>Eurylaimidae</b>																		
	African Broadbill	<i>Smithornis capensis</i>														▲	▲				
# Our tranfer to a new camp in Zululand gave us some of the best views of Broadbills ever - we even had a pair hawking insects above our heads - Ezulwini Game reserve, Zululand.																					
<b>Larks</b>			<b>Alaudidae</b>																		
	Rufous-naped Lark	<i>Mirafrā africana</i>									▲			▲	▲	▲			▲		
E	Rudd's Lark	<i>Heteromirafrā ruddi</i>																	▲		
	Sabota Lark	<i>Calendulauda sabota</i>																			■
E	Karoo Lark	<i>Calendulauda albescens</i>	▲																		
	Spike-heeled Lark	<i>Chersomanes albofasciata</i>																	▲		
E	Eastern Long-billed Lark	<i>Certhilauda semitorquata</i>																	▲		
# Great, close views of a pair feeding on the road verge close to our vehicle - Paul Pietersburg road, Wakkerstroom																					
	Chestnut-backed Sparrow-Lark	<i>Eremopterix leucotis</i>																			■
	Red-capped Lark	<i>Calandrella cinerea</i>		LB				▲											▲		▲
NE	Pink-billed Lark	<i>Spizocorys conirostris</i>																	▲		
# Superb, close scope views of a party feeding in very short grass - right where we had stopped our vehicle - Wakkerstroom																					
E	Botha's Lark	<i>Spizocorys fringillaris</i>																	▲		
# After a search we finally had scope views of a bird only yards away sitting on a nest - Wakkerstroom																					
E	Long-billed (Large-billed) Lark	<i>Galerida magnirostris</i>		▲			▲	▲													
<b>Swallows</b>			<b>Hirundinidae</b>																		
	Gray-rumped Swallow	<i>Pseudhirundo griseopyga</i>														▲					
	Bank Swallow (Sand Martin)	<i>Riparia riparia</i>														▲			▲		

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**Swallows**

**Hirundinidae**

Black Sawwing	<i>Psalidoprocne holomelas</i>	▲			▲			▲											■
Plain (Brown-throated) Martin	<i>Riparia paludicola</i>		▲					▲	▲	▲								▲	■
Banded Martin	<i>Riparia cincta</i>					▲										▲			
Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>					▲							▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	■
White-throated Swallow	<i>Hirundo albicularis</i>	▲	▲		▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲					▲	▲	▲	▲	■
Wire-tailed Swallow	<i>Hirundo smithii</i>												▲	▲					■
Blue Swallow	<i>Hirundo atrocaerulea</i>								▲										
Pearl-breasted Swallow	<i>Hirundo dimidiata</i>	▲				▲													
Rock Martin	<i>Ptyonoprogne fuligula</i>	▲	▲			▲		▲										▲	
Greater Striped-Swallow	<i>Cecropis cucullata</i>	▲	▲		▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲					▲	▲	▲	▲	■
Lesser Striped-Swallow	<i>Cecropis abyssinica</i>										▲	▲	▲	▲	▲				■

**Swallows**

**Hirundinidae**

Rufous-chested Swallow	<i>Cecropis semirufa</i>														▲	▲			■
# Stunning, close up views of several birds gathering mud fro the edge of a puddle next to our vehicle - Bonamanzi																			
Mosque Swallow	<i>Hirundo senegalensis</i>																		■
# Great, close views of a group of 4 of these beautiful swallows perched up in a dead tree along the Sabie River - Kruger National Park																			
BE South African (Cliff) Swallow	<i>Petrochelidon spilodera</i>														▲	▲	▲		■

**Wagtails & Pipits**

**Motacillidae**

African Pied Wagtail	<i>Motacilla aguimp</i>										▲	▲	▲	▲					■
Cape Wagtail	<i>Motacilla capensis</i>	▲	▲		▲	▲		▲	▲		▲				▲	▲	▲	▲	
Striped Pipit	<i>Anthus lineiventris</i>																		h
E Yellow-tufted (African Rock) Pipit	<i>Anthus crenatus</i>							▲											
# Best-ever views of a bird that was called in and sat up on a low bush only yards from the group - Lesotho																			
BE Mountain Pipit	<i>Anthus hoeschi</i>							▲											
# The great views of the past few years were matched by a bird that came right in next to us - giving great repeat scope views -Lesotho																			
Plain-backed Pipit	<i>Anthus leucophrys</i>															▲			
African (Grassveld) Pipit	<i>Anthus cinnamomeus</i>	▲							▲				▲		▲	▲	▲		
Long-billed Pipit	<i>Anthus similis</i>		▲						▲										
E Yellow-breasted Pipit	<i>Hemimacronyx chloris</i>							▲								▲			
# Stunning scope views of a pair hanging aroud a rocky outcrop in short grassland -Natal Midlands. The birds seemed to ignore us !																			
Yellow-throated Longclaw	<i>Macronyx croceus</i>														▲				
E Orange-throated (Cape) Longclaw	<i>Macronyx capensis</i>					▲			▲							▲	▲	▲	
Rosy-throated Longclaw	<i>Macronyx ameliae</i>														▲				
# Breathtaking views of this beautiful bird that popped up out of the grass right next to us, then carried on feeding Bonamanzi floodplain																			
Gray Cuckoo-shrike	<i>Coracina caesia</i>									h	▲								
Black Cuckoo-shrike	<i>Campephaga flava</i>										▲		▲	▲					

**Cuckoo-shrikes**

**Campephagidae**





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**Cisticolas & Allies**

**Cisticolidae**

<b>E</b>	Karoo Prinia	<i>Prinia maculosa</i>	▲	▲		▲	▲												
<b>E</b>	Drakensberg Prinia	<i>Prinia hypoxantha</i>						▲	▲						▲	▲	▲		
<b>E</b>	Namaqua Prinia (Warbler)	<i>Prinia (Phragmacia) substriata</i>		▲															
<b>E</b>	Rufous-eared Warbler	<i>Malcorus pectoralis</i>		▲															
	Bar-throated Apalis	<i>Apalis thoracica</i>	▲	h			▲												■
	Yellow-breasted Apalis	<i>Apalis flavida</i>									▲	▲	▲	▲	▲				■
<b>NE</b>	Rudd's Apalis	<i>Apalis ruddi</i>										▲		▲	▲				
	Green-backed Camaroptera	<i>Camaroptera b. brachyura</i>								▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	h				■
	(Grey-backed Camaroptera)	<i>Camaroptera b. brevicauda</i>																	■

**Old World Warblers**

**Sylviidae**

	African Bush-Warbler	<i>Bradypterus baboecala</i>																		
	(Little Rush Warbler)		▲	▲			▲				h				h			▲		
<b>E</b>	Knysna Scrub-Warbler	<i>Bradypterus sylvaticus</i>	▲																	
	# We finally (on our 3rd try) had great, ultra-close views of a bird singing from a tangle less than 2 yards from the group - Hohenhort																			
<b>E</b>	(Barratt's) African Scrub-Warbler	<i>Bradypterus barratti</i>						▲												

**Old World Warblers**

**Sylviidae**

<b>E</b>	Victorin's Scrub-Warbler	<i>Bradypterus victorini</i>				▲														
	# Stunning, close-up views of a bird calling from the edge of the path - Harold Porter Botanical Gardens. This is a bird we don't always get!																			
<b>E</b>	Cape Grassbird	<i>Sphenoeacus afer</i>				▲				▲					▲					
	African Reed-Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus baeticatus</i>	▲	▲															▲	
	Lesser Swamp-Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus gracilirostris</i>	▲									▲							▲	
	African (Dark-capped) Yellow Warbler	<i>Chloropeta natalensis</i>								▲					▲			▲		
<b>E</b>	Yellow-rumped (Karoo) Eremomela	<i>Eremomela gregalis</i>		▲																

# Wonderful views of a single bird that was called in and crept, mouse-like, right up to our group to avoid the strong wind - Karoo

	Burnt-neck Eremomela	<i>Eremomela usticollis</i>																	■
	(Long-billed) Cape Crombec	<i>Sylvietta rufescens</i>		▲			▲						▲	▲					■
	Willow Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>																▲	■
<b>E</b>	Layard's Warbler (Tit-babbler)	<i>Parisoma layardi</i>		▲															
	Rufous-vented Warbler	<i>Parisoma subcaeruleum</i>																	
<b>NE</b>	Chestnut-vented Titbabbler			▲			▲											▲	

**Old World Flycatchers**

**Muscicapidae**

	Pale Flycatcher	<i>Bradornis pallidus</i>													▲				
	Southern Black-Flycatcher	<i>Melaenornis pammelaina</i>												▲	▲	▲			■
<b>E</b>	Fiscal Flycatcher	<i>Sigelus silens</i>	▲			▲	▲											▲	
	African Dusky Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa adusta</i>	▲			▲				▲								▲	▲
	Ashy Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa caeruleascens</i>									▲	▲		▲					■
	Gray Tit-Flycatcher	<i>Myioparus plumbeus</i>												▲					■
<b>E</b>	Fairy Flycatcher	<i>Stenostira scita</i>		▲				▲	▲										
	Cape Robin-Chat	<i>Cossypha caffra</i>	▲	▲		▲	▲		▲	▲	▲				▲	▲	▲	▲	■





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**Bushshrikes & Allies**

**Malaconotidae**

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NE

Black-backed Puffback	<i>Dryoscopus cubla</i>									▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲		▲		■
Black-crowned Tchagra	<i>Tchagra senegala</i>												▲	h					■
Brown-crowned Tchagra	<i>Tchagra australis</i>												▲		h				■
Southern Boubou	<i>Laniarius ferrugineus</i>	▲					▲	h				▲	▲	▲	▲				■
Bokmakierie	<i>Telophorus zeylonus</i>		▲			▲	▲									▲			
Sulphur-breasted Bushshrike (Orange-breasted Bushshrike)	<i>Telophorus sulfureopectus</i>												▲	▲	▲	▲			■
Olive Bushshrike	<i>Telophorus olivaceus</i>								h	▲			▲						
(Gorgeous) Four-colored Bushshrike	<i>Telophorus viridis</i>										h	▲	▲						

# Awesome views of a bird that responded to the tape and popped out right next to our vehicle - Hluhluwe Game reserve

Gray-headed Bushshrike	<i>Malaconotus blanchoti</i>																		■
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**Helmetshrikes**

**Prionopidae**

White Helmetshrike	<i>Prionops plumatus</i>																		■
Retz's Helmetshrike	<i>Prionops retzii</i>																		■

**Drongos**

**Dicruridae**

Square-tailed Drongo	<i>Dicrurus ludwigii</i>									h	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲				
Fork-tailed Drongo	<i>Dicrurus adsimilis</i>	▲					▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲				■

**Crows, Jays & Magpies**

**Corvidae**

House Crow ( 1 )	<i>Corvus splendens</i>	▲																	
Cape Crow	<i>Corvus capensis</i>					▲	▲	▲	▲						▲	▲	▲		■
Pied Crow	<i>Corvus albus</i>	▲	▲		▲	▲	▲		▲	▲	▲	▲	▲		▲				■
White-necked Raven	<i>Corvus albicollis</i>	▲	▲		▲	▲		▲	▲	▲									■

**Starlings**

**Sturnidae**

NE

Common Myna ( 1 )	<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>						▲			▲	▲	▲	▲		▲	▲		▲	■
European Starling ( 1 )	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	▲	▲		▲	▲									▲	▲			
Wattled Starling	<i>Creatophora cinerea</i>													▲					■
Cape Glossy-Starling	<i>Lamprotornis nitens</i>					▲		▲		▲			▲	▲	▲	▲			■
Greater Blue-eared Glossy-Starling	<i>Lamprotornis chalybaeus</i>																		■
Burchell's Glossy-Starling	<i>Lamprotornis australis</i>																		■
Black-bellied Glossy-Starling	<i>Lamprotornis corruscus</i>									▲	▲	▲	▲	▲					
Violet-backed Starling	<i>Cinnyricinclus leucogaster</i>										▲		▲		▲				■
African Pied Starling	<i>Spreo bicolor</i>		▲			▲									▲		▲	▲	■
Red-winged Starling	<i>Onychognathus morio</i>	▲	▲		▲		▲	▲	▲	▲			▲		▲	▲	▲		■
Pale-winged Starling	<i>Onychognathus naboroupp</i>		▲																
Red-billed Oxpecker	<i>Buphagus erythrorhynchus</i>												▲	▲					■

**Old World Sparrows**

**Passeridae**

NE

House Sparrow ( 1 )	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	▲	▲			▲	▲	▲	▲	▲		▲	▲		▲	▲	▲	▲	■
Cape Sparrow	<i>Passer melanurus</i>	▲	▲			▲		▲	▲						▲	▲	▲		■
Southern Gray-headed Sparrow	<i>Passer diffusus</i>						▲								▲	▲			■

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**Old World Sparrows**

**Passeridae**

Yellow-throated Petronia	<i>Petronia supercilii</i>																			
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**Weavers & Allies**

**Ploceidae**

Red-billed Buffalo-Weaver	<i>Bubalornis niger</i>																			■
White-browed Sparrow-Weaver	<i>Plocepasser mahali</i>																		▲	■
Lesser Masked-Weaver	<i>Ploceus intermedius</i>												▲	▲						■
Spectacled Weaver	<i>Ploceus ocularis</i>									▲			▲							■
<b>E</b> Cape Weaver	<i>Ploceus capensis</i>	▲	▲		▲	▲	▲	▲	▲							▲	▲	▲		■
African Golden-Weaver	<i>Ploceus subaureus</i>										▲	▲	▲	▲						
Southern Brown-throated Weaver	<i>Ploceus xanthopterus</i>											▲		▲						
Southern Masked-Weaver	<i>Ploceus velatus</i>	▲	▲			▲									▲	▲	▲	▲	■	
Village Weaver	<i>Ploceus cucullatus</i>						▲			▲	▲		▲	▲		▲			■	
Forest (Dark-backed) Weaver	<i>Ploceus bicolor</i>										▲	▲		▲	▲					
Red-headed Weaver	<i>Anaplectes rubriceps</i>																			■
Red-billed Quelea	<i>Quelea quelea</i>														▲		▲	▲	■	
Yellow-crowned Bishop	<i>Euplectes afer</i>															▲	▲	▲		
Red Bishop	<i>Euplectes orix</i>	▲	▲			▲						▲		▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	■	
Yellow Bishop	<i>Euplectes capensis</i>	▲	▲		▲	▲		▲												
Fan-tailed Widowbird	<i>Euplectes axillaris</i>						▲			▲	▲				▲			▲		
White-winged Widowbird	<i>Euplectes albonotatus</i>												▲						■	
Red-collared Widowbird	<i>Euplectes ardens</i>							▲	▲				▲		▲		▲			
Long-tailed Widowbird	<i>Euplectes progne</i>								▲	▲					▲	▲	▲	▲	■	
Grosbeak (Thick-billed) Weaver	<i>Amblyospiza albifrons</i>										▲		▲							

**Waxbills & Allies**

**Estrildidae**

Green-winged Pytilia	<i>Pytilia melba</i>																			■
Green-backed Twinspot	<i>Mandingoa nitidula</i>														▲					
Red-billed Firefinch	<i>Lagonosticta senegala</i>												▲							■
African Firefinch	<i>Lagonosticta rubricata</i>												▲							
Violet-eared Waxbill	<i>Granatina (Uraeginthus) granatina</i>																			■
African Quailfinch	<i>Ortygospiza fuscocrissa</i>															▲				
Blue-breasted Cordonbleu (Blue Waxbill)	<i>Uraeginthus angolensis</i>																			■
Black-tailed (Grey)Waxbill	<i>Estrilda perreini</i>														▲	▲				
<b>E</b> Swee Waxbill	<i>Estrilda melanotis</i>	▲			▲															
Common Waxbill	<i>Estrilda astrild</i>	▲	▲		▲	▲			▲			▲	▲	▲			▲	▲		
Bronze Mannikin	<i>Lonchura (Spermestes) cucullata</i>									LB	▲	▲								
Brown-backed Mannikin (Red-backed Mannikin)	<i>Lonchura (Spermestes) nigriceps</i>														▲					

**Indigobirds**

**Viduidae**

Pin-tailed Whydah	<i>Vidua macroura</i>	▲			▲							▲		▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	
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**Indigobirds**

**Viduidae**

Eastern (Long-tld.)Paradise-Whydah

*Vidua paradisaea*

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**Siskins, Crossbills & Allies**

**Fringillidae**

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*Fringilla coelebs*

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Cape Canary

*Serinus canicollis*

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Forest Canary

*Serinus scotops*

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Black-throated Canary

*Serinus atrogularis*

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Lemon-breasted Seedeater (Canary)

*Serinus citrinpectus*

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**# Great scope views of a small flock that was drinking at the crocodile pens - Lalapanzi Camp, Bonamanzi**

Yellow-fronted Canary

*Serinus mozambicus*

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Yellow Canary

*Serinus flaviventris*

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Brimstone (Bully) Canary

*Serinus sulphuratus*

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White-throated Canary

*Serinus albogularis*

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Streaky-headed Seedeater

*Serinus gularis*

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Protea Canary (Seedeater)

*Serinus leucopterus*

**# Superb scope views of a male trilling away only yards above our heads - Paarl Mountain Reserve**

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Cape Siskin

*Pseudochloroptila totta*

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Drakensberg Siskin

*Pseudochloroptila symonsi*

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Black-headed Canary

*Alario alario*

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**Buntings, Sparrows & Allies**

**Emberizidae**

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Cape Bunting

*Emberiza capensis*

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Golden-breasted Bunting

*Emberiza flaviventris*

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**Birds recorded - Main Tour**

430 species recorded - 71 Endemics; 26 Near-endemics, and 4 Breeding Endemics

**Birds recorded - Kruger Park Extension**

216 species recorded - including 7 Endemics; 5 Near-endemics, and 1 Breeding Endemic

**Birds recorded - Combined Tour**

483 species recorded - including 72 Endemics; 29 Near-endemics, and 4 Breeding Endemics

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### MAMMALS

Wahlberg's Epauletted Fruit Bat *Epomophorus wahlbergi*

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# Really great views of these intriguing animals roosting under a thatched gazebo - Skukuza, Kruger National Park

Chacma Baboon	<i>Papio ursinus</i>	▲			▲			▲					▲					▲		■
Vervet Monkey	<i>Cercopithecus pygerythrus</i>									▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲					■
Samango Monkey	<i>Cercopithecus mitis</i>										▲									
Thick-tailed Bushbaby	<i>Galago crassicaudatus</i>									h			h	▲						■

# Great views of an adult feeding on figs right outside the hut where we were doing the list - Skukuza

Scrub Hare	<i>Lepus saxatilis</i>													▲						
Red Squirrel	<i>Paraxerus palliatus</i>											▲	▲							
Tree (Smith's Bush-) Squirrel	<i>Paraxerus cepapi</i>																			■
Grey Squirrel	<i>Sciurus carolinensis</i>	▲																		
Four-Striped Mouse	<i>Rhombomys pumilio</i>						▲													■
Sloggett's Ice Rat	<i>Otomys sloggetti</i>									▲										
Bat-eared Fox	<i>Otocoryon megalotis</i>		▲																	

# A first for the tour - we had a pair feeding next to the road as we headed back to Tulbagh from the Karoo. On seeing us, they loped off over a slight rise ....and then stopped - with just their incredible large, mobile ears still visible

Black-backed Jackal	<i>Canis mesomelas</i>																		▲	
Banded Mongoose	<i>Mungo mungo</i>																			■
Slender Mongoose	<i>Galerella sanguinea</i>																		▲	■
Small (Cape) Grey Mongoose	<i>Galerella pulverulenta</i>	▲	▲		▲															
Yellow Mongoose	<i>Cynictis penicillata</i>			▲														▲		
Meerkat	<i>Suricata suricata</i>																	▲		
Dwarf Mongoose	<i>Helogale parvula</i>																			■
Spotted Hyeana	<i>Crocuta crocuta</i>																			■

# Great views of a group of 4 young pups playing in the road next to our vehicle, and then of an adult that caused some consternation with animals coming to drink by cooling off and dozing in the drinking trough - Satara

Serval *Felis serval*

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# Stunning views of a well-grown youngster that briefly took refuge in a culvert under our vehicle before bounding off through the long grass - a first for the tour..and a first for Marievale Bird Sanctuary!

Lion *Panthera leo*

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# We saw both sides to these animals on this tour - first a lioness enjoying the afternoon sun as she suckled her 4 three-week-old cubs in the bed of the Sabie River ... and then the terrible sight of a pride attacking and killing a Hippo and her well-grown calf. Several of the lions dragged and held the cow down while others started feeding on her back and groin. The calf charged repeatedly - driving the lions away but finally it too was pulled to the ground and held while the three male lions chewed away at its belly - finally killing it ! Satara

Cape Fur Seal	<i>Arctocephalus pusillus</i>	▲		▲	▲															
African Elephant	<i>Loxodonta africana</i>																			■
Rock Dassie (Hyrax)	<i>Procavia capensis</i>					▲		▲												
Burchell's (Common) Zebra	<i>Equus burchelli</i>		▲			▲	▲			▲		▲	▲	▲	▲		▲			■

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<b>E</b>	Cape Mountain Zebra	<i>Equus zebra zebra</i>	▲																		
	White Rhinoceros	<i>Ceratotherium simum</i>												▲							■
	Black (Hook-lipped) Rhinoceros	<i>Diceros bicornis</i>												▲							■
	Warthog	<i>Phacochoerus aethiopicus</i>											▲	▲	▲	▲					■
	Hippopotamus	<i>Hippopotamus amphibius</i>											▲	▲							■
	Giraffe	<i>Giraffa camelopardalis</i>		▲										▲	▲	▲					■
	Cape Buffalo	<i>Syncerus caffer</i>												▲							■
	Eland	<i>Taurotragus oryx</i>	▲																▲		■
	Greater Kudu	<i>Tragelaphus strepsiceros</i>																	▲		■
	Nyala	<i>Tragelaphus angasii</i>											▲	▲	▲	▲					■
	Bushbuck	<i>Tragelaphus scriptus</i>										▲	▲								■
	Common (Southern) Reedbuck	<i>Redunca arundinum</i>								▲			▲	▲							■
	Mountain Reedbuck	<i>Redunca fulvorufula</i>						▲													■
<b>E</b>	Grey Rhebuck	<i>Pelea capreolus</i>		▲															▲		■
<b>E</b>	Black Wildebeest	<i>Connochaetes gnou</i>																	▲		■
	Blue Wildebeest	<i>Connochaetes taurinus</i>											▲	▲	▲	▲					■
	Red Hartebeest	<i>Alcelaphus buselaphus</i>					▲												▲		■
<b>E</b>	Blesbuck	<i>Damaliscus d. phillipsi</i>						▲	▲						▲		▲	▲			■
<b>E</b>	Bontebok	<i>Damaliscus d. dorcas</i>	▲				▲														■
	Impala	<i>Aepyceros melampus</i>											▲	▲	▲	▲					■
<b>NE</b>	Springbok	<i>Antidorcas marsupialis</i>		▲															▲		■
	Klipspringer	<i>Oreotragus oreotragus</i>		▲		▲															■
	Steenbok	<i>Raphicerus campestris</i>					▲										▲				■
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	Red Duiker	<i>Cephalophus natalensis</i>										▲	▲	▲	▲	▲					■
	Common Duiker	<i>Sylvicapra grimmia</i>								▲											■
	Waterbuck	<i>Kobus ellipsiprymnus</i>												▲							■
	Southern Right Whale	<i>Baleana glacialis</i>	▲		▲	▲															■

# We had incredible, ultra-close views of three of these giants as we sailed from Simonstown on our pelagic trip. One actually charged the towards the boat - possibly seeing us as a rival, and we found ourselves looking into its open mouth and being able to see the lamellae it uses to filter out plankton - truly awesome

### Mammals recorded - Main Tour

47 species recorded - 8 Endemics, and 3 Near-endemics

### Mammals recorded - Kruger Park Extension

25 species recorded

### Mammals recorded - Combined Tour

54 species recorded - including 8 Endemics, and 3 Near-endemics



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### REPTILES and AMPHIBIANS

	Clicking Stream Frog	<i>Strongylopus grayii</i>					▲													
E	Parrot-beaked Tortoise	<i>Hemopus areolatus</i>	▲																	
E	Angulate Tortoise	<i>Chersinia angulata</i>	▲		▲															
	Marsh (Helmeted) Terrapin	<i>Pelamadusa subrufa</i>	▲																	■
	Mole Snake	<i>Pseudapsis cana</i>					▲													
	Striped Skaapsteker	<i>Psammophylax tritaeniatus</i>								▲										
	Rainbow (Five-lined) Skink	<i>Mabuya quinquetaeniata</i>																		■
E	Drakensberg Crag Lizzard	<i>Pseudocordylus melanotus</i>						▲												
E	Cape Crag Lizzard	<i>Pseudocordylus microlepidotus</i>	▲																	
	Rock (White-throated) Monitor	<i>Varanus albigularis</i>																		■
	Nile (Water) Monitor	<i>Varanus niloticus</i>																		■
E	Southern Rock Agama	<i>Agama atra</i>						▲												
	Southern Tree Agama	<i>Acanthocercus atricollis</i>											▲							■
	Moreau's Tropical House Gecko	<i>Hemidactylus mabouia</i>											▲	▲						■
	Nile Crocodile	<i>Crocodylus niloticus</i>											▲							■

#### Reptiles and amphibians recorded - Main Tour

12 species recorded - including 5 Endemics

#### Reptiles and amphibians recorded - Kruger Park Extension

7 species recorded

#### Reptiles and amphibians recorded - Combined Tour

15 species recorded - including 5 Endemics