South Africa's Rare Mammals

Naturetrek Tour Report

11 - 21 September 2018

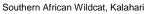




Aardvark, Marrick

Bat-eared Foxes, Marrick







Slender Mongoose, Kalahari

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Summary

Another great Rare Mammals of South Africa tour! We had good weather on the whole, apart from one really cold day in the Kalahari, with a temperature range of 5°C to 32°C. It was a great group of participants, and guides Leon and Jason thoroughly enjoyed leading the tour. We recorded 50 mammal species, 123 species of birds and a number of reptile species. The species mentioned in the daily summaries are only some of those seen. A detailed list can be found at the end of the report.

Day 1

Tuesday 11th September

Langberg, Kimberley.

The 2018 Rare Mammals of South Africa group arrived excited (and a bit tired!) and on time in Kimberley after a long night of travel from the UK, landing in near-perfect weather conditions in the ex-diamond mining town in the middle of the country. After meeting and greeting, we opted for a quick stop for some lunch supplies at a local supermarket before continuing on to Langberg Guest House, located in beautiful surroundings some distance out of town on a working game farm. There we settled in and rested through the remainder of the day, with some casual birding on the go, on and off, until an early supper at 6pm. This was followed by a short night drive on the dirt access road which produced a Springhare, Scrub Hare and Common Duiker only, just as a prelude to the many night drives still ahead. We then had an early night in anticipation of an exciting day to come.

Mammal sightings for the day: 6

Day 2

Wednesday 12th September

Langberg Guest Farm - Kimberley

Today we left the lodgings at 6.30am for a trip down to Mokala National Park, a 65,500-acre National Park located about 70 kilometres south of Kimberley. Mokala is a relatively new park, proclaimed in 2007, and is used as a resource pool of endangered and uncommon antelope species from which to restock other parks and reserves. We entered in the south at the main gate and began the game viewing and birding, slowly making our way through to Mosu Lodge for a packed breakfast (where a Pygmy Falcon was nesting in a chamber in a Sociable Weaver nest in the roof of the picnic site), after which we tackled the Matopi Loop area before heading back for lunch at Mosu Lodge. Species seen included Southern White Rhino, Red Hartebeest, Impala, Common Warthog, Southern Giraffe, Tsessebe, Steenbok, Roan Antelope and many others. From there we pushed through to Lilydale Gate in the north and drove back to Langberg, arriving at 3.30pm for a couple of hours' rest before an early dinner.

We then left Langberg again at 6.30pm, suitably attired in several layers of clothing in anticipation of a cold evening, and arrived at Marrick for our night drive at 7pm. We split into two vehicles and the drive started off well for both parties, each seeing an Aardvark early on to take a bit of the pressure off. One of the groups also saw an Aardwolf, while both groups got views of the more abundant nocturnals such as Bat-eared Fox,

Springhare, Scrub Hare and Cape Hare. It was a good night out, and we arrived back at Langberg at around 10pm and went straight to bed.

Mammal sightings for the day: 27

Day 3

Thursday 13th September

Langberg Guest Farm - Kimberley

Today we had a repeat of Day 2, starting a bit later with an 7.30am departure for Mokala, this time visiting the northern part of the park, entering at Lillydale Gate. The open grasslands were dotted with *Vachellia* (formerly *Acacia*) *erioloba* trees – the hardy Camel Thorn, dominant tree of sandy Kalahari soils and namesake of the park, creating some fantastic plains scenery. The animals were out in force too, with herds of Roan, Plains Zebra, Sable, Hartebeest, Black Wildebeest, Springbok and Tsessebe showing well. We also had a fantastic encounter with a troop of Meerkats, with close-up views of them foraging and conducting lookout duty from atop small termite mounds. From there we pushed on to Lillydale Camp where we had our breakfast overlooking the Riet River. We then meandered back southwards for lunch at Mosu Camp, before leaving the park for a couple of hours rest back at Langberg.

We had a delicious Karoo lamb dinner and at 18h30 left for Marrick and our night drive, which was a good one indeed, better even than the previous drive. With 2 vehicles there's always a bit of disparity in the experiences, though on this one both groups did well. Both groups connected with Aardvark; one group got another Aardwolf (fortunately those who had missed it the evening before got to see it) and a Porcupine; while the other group saw a Smith's Red Rock Hare (Rabbit) and a Spotted Eagle-Owl with a fresh kill (victim unidentified, perhaps a young hare), among the usual Springhare and Bat-eared Fox sightings, as well as distant views of Southern African Wildcat. We got back to Langberg at 10.30pm and went straight to bed after a long but rewarding day.

Mammal sightings for the day: 32

Day 4

Friday 14th September

Augrabies Falls National Park

Today some of the group started off with a birding stroll before breakfast, seeing species such as Cape, Kalahari and Karoo Scrub Robins, Red-eyed Bulbul, Acacia Pied Barbet, Short-toed Rock Thrush, Yellow Canary, Chestnut-vented Warbler, White-backed and Red-faced Mousebirds, Pririt Batis, Ashy Tit, Orange River White-eye and a few others. We then had a hearty breakfast and departed at 8.30am with a long travel day ahead. We had a total of seven hours on the road, including a couple of comfort stops and a quick lunch stop in Upington.

We arrived at Augrabies at 3.30 and had time to view the falls and relax before dinner. Augrabies Falls National Park is centred on the main falls, where the Gariep River (formally the Orange River, but Gariep is the older name) is channelled through a narrow gap to cascade some 56 metres to the bottom of the gorge below, with the gorge being around 240 metres deep and stretching downriver for 18 kilometres. The name is derived from the Khoi word 'Aukoerebis', which means 'place of great noise'. The park is some 55,000 hectares / 136,000 acres in extent, conserving a large tract of a vegetation type known as Orange River Broken Veld. This includes over 70

species of plants, one of the most striking of which is the Quiver Tree, *Aloe dichotoma*, which was used by the Khoi to make quivers for their arrows, while the remarkable 'rock-splitting' Namaqua Fig (*Ficus cordata*) grows out of cracks in the rocks along the gorge.

Mammal sightings for the day: 7

Day 5

Saturday 15th September

Augrabies Falls National Park

We started off with an early kick-off, leaving camp in the dark at 6am on a morning drive down to Echo Corner, taking in the impressive, moon-like arid scenery, with a wonderful coffee stop overlooking the mighty Orange River. We then headed back via Ararat view site, where the gorgeous views and the resident Augrabies Flat Lizards kept us occupied, arriving back in camp for a very late breakfast / brunch. New mammals for the morning included Klipspringer (several great sightings) and Noki / Dassie Rat, while the endearing Rock Hyraxes were to be seen gaining the morning sun atop almost every rock outcrop. Birds seen included African Black Duck, Pale-winged Starling, Fawn-coloured Lark, Karoo Long-billed Lark, Southern Pale Chanting Goshawk, Double-banded Sandgrouse, Crested Barbet and Mountain Wheatear, among others.

We then had some down time in the camp before an afternoon drive out to Oranjekom view site, from which we spotted an African Clawless Otter swimming in the river far below us, as well as a pair of Verreaux's Eagles soaring in the sky high above us. We then headed back to camp for an early dinner, after which the group of nine went on a night drive, which produced a view of a Leopard and two cubs with a kill, although at some distance away on a rocky ridge. Still, not a bad way to end off a great day!

Mammal sightings for the day: 13

Day 6

Sunday 16th September

Kalahari Lodge - Kgalagadi Transfrontier Park

Today we met up at 6.30am for a short drive out to the Swartrante area, where the Leopards had been seen the night before, but in the daylight the participants of the night drive weren't able to find the exact spot; everything appearing quite different to how it had in the dark of the previous evening. We had coffee with a great view over the Swarrante (Black Ridges) area and then headed back to camp for breakfast and our departure for Upington, where we picked up lunch supplies in town.

We then pushed on to Kgalagadi Lodge, just outside the Twee Rivieren gate to the Kgalagadi Transfrontier Park (KTFP). Here we had time to rest before a night drive in the park, which was unfortunately, rather quiet, producing only the 'usual suspects' – Bat-eared Fox, Cape Hare and Scrub Hare, the only new species being a Small-spotted Genet. We got back to our lodgings at around 11pm and retired without further ado, in anticipation of our days ahead in the Kgalagadi Transfrontier Park.

Mammal sightings for the day: 15

Day 7

Monday 17th September

Kgalagadi Transfrontier Park - !Xaus Lodge

Today we met for breakfast at 7am and promptly departed thereafter for Twee Rivieren and entry into the park. Our route in the park took us along the Auob Riverbed (the Auob is a tributary of the Nossob, and both are basically permanently dry rivers, flowing only very occasionally after good rains) to Kamqua Picnic Site, where we had lunch and then met our guides from !Xaus Lodge. Highlights on the way in included Brandt's Whistling Rats, Meerkat, Black-backed Jackal (three individuals consuming a fresh Springbok carcass), the usual Kalahari antelopes (Oryx / Gemsbok, Steenbok, Springbok, Red Hartebeest and Blue Wildebeest), a superb sighting of a brilliant red-morph Slender Mongoose interacting with a Pale Chanting Goshawk, Verreaux's, Eagle-Owl, Spotted Eagle-Owl and Barn Owl, Martial Eagle, the stunning Crimson-breasted Shrike and many others.

At Kamqua we transferred to their two open-sided Land Cruisers and then had about an hour's drive getting to the lodge, situated almost in the middle of nowhere on a portion of land belonging to the Komani San and Mier communities, who were given back the land after being forcibly removed to make way for the park in the 1930's. We then settled in and had some time to relax before dinner and a night drive, the highlight of this being good sightings of Cape Fox, and our best-yet sightings of Southern African Wildcat. Back at the lodge (where the manager told us that a Leopard had come past soon after we had left on our drive), we headed straight to bed for a night of almost complete silence, the screeches of the numerous resident Barn Owls the only sounds to be heard.

Mammal sightings for the day: 13

Day 8

Tuesday 18th September

Kgalagadi Transfrontier Park - !Xaus Lodge

Today we met up for coffee at 6.30am before a morning educational walk with our guides Corne and Kali. We learned about the tracks and signs and medicinal plants of the area, and also had a wonderful view of a colony of Four-striped Grass Mice interacting and sunning themselves under a bush at close quarters – a micro-mammal highlight!

Back at the lodge we had breakfast before some of the group headed down to the re-created San Bushman village to learn about the ways of these ancient people, the original inhabitants of Southern Africa. After that it was time for some rest before lunch, then some more down-time before a sunset and evening drive. We enjoyed traditional 'sundowner' drinks on a dune, watching the sun set and then were spotlighting for nocturnals on the way back to camp. We saw a Spotted Eagle-Owl to start off with, as well as Cape Fox, and we had even better Wildcat sightings; we also struck gold with a Caracal as the evening's highlight. Back at camp we had dinner and an early night ahead of our 5am wake-up in the morning.

Mammal sightings for the day: 13

Day 9

Wednesday 19th September

Kgalagadi Transfrontier Park - !Xaus Lodge

During the night a strong wind had picked up, making for a restless night and heralding a change in the weather (thus far it had been very stable with nothing but warm and still blue-sky days). We met up at around 5.20am for a quick cuppa, and set off in rather cold conditions for a day drive into the Auob River area. The sky was clear but the strong, cold wind made for rather grim conditions, the wild chill being multiplied hugely in the open vehicles. Nevertheless, we had a welcome breakfast and cup of steaming coffee at Kumqua Picnic Site and then headed all the way west to Mata Mata Rest Camp on the Namibian border for lunch. Highlights on the way there included three different Southern African Wildcats resting up in Camel Thorn Trees, Meerkats (always a highlight!), a group of Southern Giraffe, the usual Blue Wildebeest, Springbok and Gemsbok, and a range of bird species.

After lunch we turned into the wind for the long drive back to camp, with a nice Lion sighting (a couple of them carrying Porcupine quills embedded in various places on their bodies) not long after leaving Mata Mata. In the wind it was pretty cold throughout the day and we were pleased to arrive back at the lodge at around 4.15pm (to the news that a large male Lion has visited the waterhole while we were out) for hot drinks and a chance to unwind before dinner. Afterwards, one brave soul headed out on a night drive, which was good but didn't produce anything new.

Mammal sightings for the day: 15

Day 10

Thursday 20th September

Kalahari Lodge - Kgalagadi Transfrontier Park

Today, our last full day of the tour, we had a relaxed start, with breakfast at 8am. The camera trap at the waterhole showed that four lions had been drinking there at 5.17am, as a nice record to know about, even though no one actually saw them. After breakfast we loaded up and headed back over the 91 dunes to our vans, and from there drove back to Twee Rivieren and on to Kgalagadi Lodge for some lunch and time to relax before our sunset drive in the park.

This proved to be a good finale to the tour's game-viewing activities. Notables included a close-up encounter with a Spotted Hyena, one of three Hyena sightings for the drive; one of the other sightings after dark involved one calling at full volume from atop the calcrete ridge on the edge of the river bed, a great audio experience indeed. We also had a good sighting of Small-spotted Genet, as well as a number of Southern African Wildcats, Bat-eared Foxes and Springhares, while Southern White-faced Owl was a new bird species for us. After the drive we headed back to Kgalagadi Lodge for dinner and bed before the final day of the tour.

Mammal sightings for the day: 14

Day 11

Friday 21st September

Departure

Today was just a transit day, so we met at 8am for breakfast and then left the lodge at 8.45, arriving at the airport in Upington at 11.15am, with plenty of time for check in. Leon and Jason said fond farewells to the September 2018 Rare Mammals group there, as they had to head home via road, a mere 1,400-kilometre drive over two days!

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Meerkat, Mokala



Augrabies Falls National Park



Springhare, Marrick



Lions at !Xaus caught on camera trap

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Species Lists

Mammals (✓=recorded but not counted)

							S	eptemb	er				
	Common name	Scientific name	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
1	Aardvark	Orycteropus afer		✓	✓								
2	Rock Hyrax	Procavia capensis capensis	✓			✓	✓	✓					
3	Vervet Monkey	Chlorocebus pygerythrus		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
4	Chacma Baboon	Papio ursinus		✓	✓	✓	✓						
5	South African Ground Squirrel	Xerus inauris	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
6	Four-striped Grass Mouse (Rat)	Rhabdomys pumilio							✓	✓	✓	✓	
7	Brants's Whistling Rat	Parotomys brantsii							✓	✓	✓	✓	
8	(South African) Springhare	Pedetes capensis	✓	✓	✓			✓		✓		✓	
9	Cape Porcupine	Hystrix africaeaustralis											
10	Dassie Rat	Petromus typicus				✓							
11	Cape Hare	Lepus capensis		✓	✓	✓		✓		✓			
12	Scrub Hare	Lepus saxatilis	✓	✓	✓								
13	Smith's Red Rock Hare	Pronolagus rupestris			✓								
14	Caracal	Caracal caracal								✓			
15	Southern African Wildcat	Felis silvestris cafra		✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	
16	Lion	Panthera leo									✓		
17	Leopard	Panthera pardus					✓						
18	Small-spotted (Common) Genet	Genetta genetta						✓			✓		
19	Yellow Mongoose	Cynictis penicillata		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
20	Small (Cape) Grey Mongoose	Herpestes pulverulentus				✓	✓	✓					
21	Slender Mongoose	Herpestes sanguineus			✓			✓	✓			✓	
22	Meerkat (Suricate)	Suricata suricatta		✓	✓				✓		✓	✓	
23	Spotted Hyena	Crocuta crocuta										✓	
24	Aardwolf	Proteles cristata		✓	✓								
25	Black-backed Jackal	Canis mesomelas			✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	
26	Bat-eared Fox	Otocyon megalotis		✓	✓			✓		✓		✓	
27	Cape Fox	Vulpes chama								✓	✓		
28	African Clawless Otter	Aonyx capensis					✓						
29	Plains Zebra	Equus burchelli		✓	✓								

			September											
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30	Square-lipped (White) Rhinoceros	Ceratotherium simum		✓	✓									
31	Common Warthog	Phacochoerus africanus		✓	✓									
32	Southern Giraffe	Giraffa camelopardalis giraffa		✓							✓			
33	Impala	Aepyceros melampus melampus		✓										
34	Red Hartebeest	Alcelaphus buselaphus caama		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓		✓			
35	Black Wildebeest	Connochaetes gnou			✓									
36	Blue Wildebeest	Connochaetes taurinus		✓	✓				✓		✓	✓		
37	Common Tsessebe	Damaliscus lunatus lunatus		✓	✓									
38	Blesbok	Damaliscus pygargus pygargus			✓									
39	Springbok	Antidorcas marsupialis		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓		
40	Klipspringer	Oreotragus oreotragus					✓	✓						
41	Steenbok	Raphicerus campestris		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
42	African Buffalo	Syncerus caffer			✓									
43	Common Eland	Trachelaphus oryx		✓	✓									
44	Greater Kudu	Tragelaphus strepsiceros		✓	✓									
45	Common (Grey) Duiker	Sylvicapra grimmia	✓											
46	Roan Antelope	Hippotragus equinus		✓	✓									
47	Sable Antelope	Hippotragus niger			✓									
48	Gemsbok	Oryx gazella		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
49	Grey (Vaal) Rhebok	Pelea capreolus	✓											
50	Common Waterbuck	Kobus ellipsiprymnus		✓										

Birds

1	Common Ostrich	Struthio camelus		✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	
2	Helmeted Guineafowl	Numida meleagris	✓	✓	✓								
3	Orange River Francolin	Scleroptila gutturalis			✓								
4	Egyptian Goose	Alopochen aegyptiaca				✓							
5	South African Shelduck	Tadorna cana			✓	✓							
6	African Black Duck	Anas sparsa					✓						
7	Little Grebe	Tachybaptus ruficollis				✓							
8	Hadada Ibis	Bostrychia hagedash		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
9	Western Cattle Egret	Bubulcus ibis			✓	✓		✓					

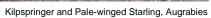
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10	Black-headed Heron	Ardea melanocephala		✓							✓		
11	Little Egret	Egretta garzetta				✓							
12	Reed Cormorant	Microcarbo africanus			✓	✓	✓						
13	White-breasted Cormorant	Phalacrocorax lucidus			✓	✓	✓						
14	African Darter	Anhinga rufa			✓		✓						
15	Secretarybird	Sagittarius serpentarius			✓				✓	✓	✓		
16	Black-winged Kite	Elanus caeruleus		✓	✓				✓		✓	✓	
17	White-backed Vulture	Gyps africanus		✓				✓			✓		
18	Black-chested Snake Eagle	Circaetus pectoralis			✓				✓				
19	Martial Eagle	Polemaetus bellicosus							✓		✓		
20	Tawny Eagle	Aquila rapax							✓				
21	Verreaux's Eagle	Aquila verreauxii							✓				
22	Gabar Goshawk	Micronisus gabar					✓						
23	Pale Chanting Goshawk	Melierax canorus		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
24	African Fish Eagle	Haliaeetus vocifer			✓	✓							
25	Jackal Buzzard	Buteo rufofuscus									✓		
26	Pygmy Falcon	Polihierax semitorquatus		✓			✓						
27	Rock Kestrel	Falco rupicolus		✓					✓				
28	Greater Kestrel	Falco rupicoloides			✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	
29	Lanner Falcon	Falco biarmicus								✓	✓		
30	Kori Bustard	Ardeotis kori							✓	✓	✓	✓	
31	Red-crested Korhaan	Eupodotis ruficrista		✓	✓								
32	Northern Black Korhaan	Afrotis afraoides		✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓		
33	Common Moorhen	Gallinula chloropus			✓		✓	✓					
34	Red-knobbed Coot	Fulica cristata				✓							
35	Blacksmith Lapwing	Vanellus armatus		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
36	Crowned Lapwing	Vanellus coronatus							✓		✓	✓	
37	Three-banded Plover	Charadrius tricollaris						✓					
38	Double-banded Courser	Rhinoptilus africanus		✓	✓								
39	Namaqua Sandgrouse	Pterocles namaqua								✓	✓		
40	Double-banded Sandgrouse	Pterocles bicinctus					✓						
41	Speckled Pigeon	Columba guinea	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					

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42 Red-eyed Dove	Streptopelia semitorquata			✓		✓	✓					
43 Ring-necked Dove	Streptopelia capicola						✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
44 Laughing Dove	Spilopelia senegalensis	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
45 Namaqua Dove	Oena capensis	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
46 Burchell's Coucal	Centropus burchellii						✓					
47 Western Barn Owl	Tyto alba	✓						✓	✓	✓		
48 Southern White-faced Owl	Ptilopsis granti										✓	
49 Spotted Eagle-Owl	Bubo africanus			✓		✓		✓	✓		✓	
50 Verreaux's Eagle-Owl	Bubo lacteus							✓		✓	✓	
51 Pearl-spotted Owlet	Glaucidium perlatum	✓	✓		✓							
52 African Palm Swift	Cypsiurus parvus						✓					
53 Alpine Swift	Tachymarptis melba					✓						
54 Little Swift	Apus affinis			✓	✓	✓	✓					
55 White-rumped Swift	Apus caffer		✓									
56 White-backed Mousebird	Colius colius				✓		✓					
57 Red-faced Mousebird	Urocolius indicus				✓							
58 Lilac-breasted Roller	Coracias caudatus									✓		
59 Pied Kingfisher	Ceryle rudis						✓					
60 Swallow-tailed Bee-eater	Merops hirundineus		✓	✓		✓		✓		✓	✓	
61 African Hoopoe	Upupa africana		✓			✓		✓		✓		
62 Southern Yellow-billed Horn	nbill Tockus leucomelas		✓	✓		✓						
63 Acacia Pied Barbet	Tricholaema leucomelas				✓	✓						
64 Crested Barbet	Trachyphonus vaillantii					✓						
65 Pririt Batis	Batis pririt				✓							
66 Bokmakierie	Telophorus zeylonus					✓	✓					
67 Crimson-breasted Shrike	Laniarius atrococcineus						✓	✓		✓	✓	
68 Southern Fiscal	Lanius collaris							✓				
69 Fork-tailed Drongo	Dicrurus adsimilis			✓				✓		✓	✓	
70 Cape Crow	Corvus capensis							✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
71 Pied Crow	Corvus albus	✓	✓	✓	✓							✓
72 Fairy Flycatcher	Stenostira scita			✓								
73 Ashy Tit	Parus cinerascens	✓			✓							

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74	Cape Penduline Tit	Anthoscopus minutus		✓									
75	Fawn-colored Lark	Calendulauda africanoides						✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
76	Sabota Lark	Calendulauda sabota		✓	✓		✓	✓					
77	Karoo Long-billed Lark	Certhilauda subcoronata					✓						
78	Spike-heeled Lark	Chersomanes albofasciata			✓								
79	Grey-backed Sparrow-Lark	Eremopterix verticalis											✓
80	African Red-eyed Bulbul	Pycnonotus nigricans	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
81	White-throated Swallow	Hirundo albigularis					✓						
82	Rock Martin	Hirundo fuligula			✓	✓	✓	✓					
83	Brown-throated Martin	Riparia paludicola			✓								
84	Common House Martin	Delichon urbicum		✓									
85	Greater Striped Swallow	Cecropis cucullata		✓	✓								
86	Lesser Swamp Warbler	Acrocephalus gracilirostris					✓						
87	Levaillant's Cisticola	Cisticola tinniens						✓					
88	Black-chested Prinia	Prinia flavicans		✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
89	Chestnut-vented Warbler	Sylvia subcaerulea	✓	✓	✓	✓							
90	Orange River White-eye	Zosterops pallidus				✓	✓	✓					
91	Cape Starling	Lamprotornis nitens			✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓		
92	Pale-winged Starling	Onychognathus nabouroup				✓	✓	✓					
93	Groundscraper Thrush	Psophocichla litsitsirupa											✓
94	Cape Robin-Chat	Cossypha caffra	✓			✓	✓	✓					
95	Kalahari Scrub Robin	Erythropygia paena		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	
96	Karoo Scrub Robin	Erythropygia coryphoeus			✓	✓	✓						
97	Mountain Wheatear	Oenanthe monticola		✓			✓						
98	Familiar Chat	Oenanthe familiaris	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓			✓	
99	Ant-eating Chat	Myrmecocichla formicivora			✓				✓		✓	✓	✓
100	Short-toed Rock Thrush	Monticola brevipes				✓							
101	Chat Flycatcher	Bradornis infuscatus									✓		
102	Marico Flycatcher	Bradornis mariquensis		✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	
103	Fiscal Flycatcher	Sigelus silens	✓	✓	✓								
104	White-bellied Sunbird	Cinnyris talatala	✓										
105	Dusky Sunbird	Cinnyris fuscus				✓	✓	✓					

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106	White-browed Sparrow-Weaver	Plocepasser mahali						✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
107	Sociable Weaver	Philetairus socius		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
108	House Sparrow	Passer domesticus	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					✓
109	Cape Sparrow	Passer melanurus	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
110	Southern Grey-headed Sparrow	Passer diffusus	✓	✓	✓	✓							
111	Scaly-feathered Weaver	Sporopipes squamifrons		✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	
112	Southern Masked Weaver	Ploceus velatus	✓		✓	✓				✓			
113	Red-billed Quelea	Quelea quelea			✓	✓							
114	Green-winged Pytilia	Pytilia melba				✓							
115	Red-headed Finch	Amadina erythrocephala							✓	✓	✓	✓	
116	Common Waxbill	Estrilda astrild					✓						
117	Cape Wagtail	Motacilla capensis		✓	✓		✓	✓					
118	African Pied Wagtail	Motacilla aguimp				✓	✓						
119	Black-throated Canary	Crithagra atrogularis				✓							
120	Yellow Canary	Crithagra flaviventris	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	
121	White-throated Canary	Crithagra albogularis					✓						
122	Lark-like Bunting	Emberiza impetuani					✓						
123	Cape Bunting	Emberiza capensis			✓	✓	✓						







Black Wildebeest, Mokala



Swallow-tailed Bee-eater, Kalahari