Mozambique
African Pitta III
11th to 17th December 2018 (7 days)
Trip Report

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Tour Summary

Within the Zambezi River delta lie Coutadas 11 & 12. This roughly 1.2 million hectare wilderness is so vast and under-birded that it certainly warrants some serious attention on the avian tourism front. Upon arrival, one can truly see and sense the excitement that this area holds. This dynamic landscape, with huge tracts of sand forest, lowland forest, vast floodplains with papyrus swamps and a mosaic of small seasonal pans, plays host to bird and mammal species that are simply mouth-watering.

A total of 7 days were spent here, with a total of 188 bird and 20 mammalian species recorded. Livingstone’s Flycatcher, East Coast Akalat, Pallid Honeyguide and Black-and-white Flycatcher were just a few of the mouth-watering specials that we managed to record. This great cast was accompanied by some good numbers of plains game too, such as the rare Lichtenstein’s subspecies of Hartebeest, Oribi and graceful Sable Antelope.

The Tour in Detail

As we neared the wilderness on our small chartered flight from Beira, we could almost immediately see how vast this place is. We were greeted by the friendly smiles of the lodge staff on the runway, chanting to the beat of a traditional drum. After familiarising ourselves with the lodge and our accommodation, we decided to enjoy a drink at the fireplace before dinner. The nocturnal creatures around camp proved interesting, and we managed to get a view of the resident pair of African Wood Owl; while also connecting with Greater Thick-tailed and Grant’s Galagos!

An early start on our first full day was in order. We headed to the territory of our main target of the tour, the African Pitta. En route we found Helmeted and Crested Guineafowls, Hadada Ibis, Southern Banded Snake Eagle, Yellow-billed Kite, Red-eyed, Ring-necked and Tambourine Doves, and Broad-billed Roller before arriving in the area to search for the African Pitta. As we reached our spot, we continued to search the section of dry forest and managed to find the highly sought-after East Coast Akalat; while also adding Mangrove Kingfisher, Green Malkoha, Livingstone’s Turaco and Cardinal Woodpecker. Displaying African Broadbill and Woodward’s Batis were also enjoyed by all. Try as we might, the African Pitta remained silent as we birded, and we returned to camp for a late morning breakfast collecting Pale Batis, Square-tailed
Drongo, Yellow-bellied Greenbul, and Lemon-breasted and Yellow-fronted Canaries en route. In camp, we were treated to views of Black-backed Puffback, Village, Dark-backed and Red-headed Weavers, Green-backed Woodpecker and Lowland Tiny Greenbul.

Having missed the opportunity to explore the wetlands the evening before, we headed out with the intention of adding a few wetland species to our lists. We drove out, collecting African Palm Swift, Black-bellied Bustard, Thick-billed Weaver, Croaking Cisticola, Crested Francolin of the *kirkii* subspecies, Grey Heron and just as a storm broke nearby, a pair of Saddle-billed Storks. Sadly, the storm scuppered our chances of wetland birding and so we decided to bird a small forest patch. Here we added Silvery-cheeked and Trumpeter Hornbills, Livingstone’s Flycatcher, White-eared Barbet, Crowned Eagle, Narina Trogon, Cardinal Woodpecker, Purple-banded Sunbird, Emerald-spotted Wood Dove, European Nightjar, Scaly-throated Honeyguide and Grey-headed Bushshrike. Determined to squeeze in a few more species, in defiance of the impending rain, we embarked on a short loop-walk near camp, adding Bearded Scrub Robin, Grey Waxbill, Red-throated Twinspot, Red-billed Firefinch, Bronze Mannikin, Black and Red-chested Cuckoos, Green Wood Hoopoe, Common Scimitarbill, Pin-tailed Whydah, Little and Swallow-tailed Bee-eaters, Brown-hooded Kingfisher, a feeding flock of Brown-necked Parrots, a displaying pair of Black-and-white Flycatchers, Brown-crowned Tchagra, Black Cuckoo shrike, African Paradise Flycatcher, Black-bellied Starling, Spectacled Weaver and Grey-backed Camaroptera before returning to camp for a night’s rest.

A short while later, the heavens opened in a torrential storm and after waiting out a large part of it, we departed for a second attempt at the wetland area, encountering Orange-breasted Waxbill, Plain-backed Sunbird and Collared Sunbird before we reached an unpassable section of clay-soiled roads. Unable to change our fortunes, we bired a nearby pan, locating Grey Crowned Crane, Burchell’s Coucal, African Jacana, Long-crested Eagle and a Jacobin Cuckoo. As we began our return trip to camp, heavy rain began to fall, setting in for the entire night. We prepared for our opportunity to chase a few new species along the Zambezi River early the following morning.

Today was set aside to try our luck in finding the rare Bohm’s Bee-eater, as a population south of the mighty Zambezi River had only recently been discovered. This bird is otherwise restricted to the Shire River valley in southern Malawi. We left early, stopping once the sun had risen to watch a large feeding flock of Common, Little and White-rumped Swifts mixed with Common House Martins, and Lesser Striped and Wire-tailed Swallows before a lovely Southern Banded Snake Eagle sat out in the open for all to see. Violet-backed Starling, Crowned Hornbill, Lizard Buzzard, Southern Grey-headed Sparrow, Blue Waxbill, European Roller, Southern Carmine Bee-eater, and Southern Red and Yellow Bishops were seen en route to Caia. As we passed the town of Caia, we added Moustached Grass Warbler, Marabou Stork, Western Cattle Egret, Black-headed Heron and Southern Masked Weaver. We then headed further north-west on the edge of the Zambezi River, where it became apparent that the previous night of rainfall had severely affected the area with the roads being almost impassable. We noted many new species, including Great Egret, Striated Heron, Little Egret, Black-winged Kite, Brown and Black-chested Snake Eagles, Ovambo Sparrowhawk, African Fish Eagle, Wood Sandpiper, and Thick-billed and Diederik Cuckoos before arriving at the Bohm’s Bee-eater site. We were immediately rewarded with a small group of Western Yellow Wagtail alongside an African Pied Wagtail along side Copper Sunbird, Black-winged Red Bishop, Speckled and Red-faced Mousebirds, Grey-rumped Swallow, Eastern Golden Weaver, Common Waxbill, White-crowned Lapwing, African Hoopoe, and Little, Blue-cheeked and White-fronted Bee-eaters were found as we searched carefully for our main target. Unfortunately, we were unable to locate our quarry. As the storm clouds began to gather, we made our way back to the camp, locating Senegal Coucal and Black Crake before finding a few Square-tailed Nightjars as dusk fell! We arrived back in camp as the menacing storm broke overhead and settled in for the night.
We woke to a torrential storm still at full force that morning, which put a pause to any plans we had in mind for the early morning. When the opportunity arose and the rain had slackened, we ventured out for a walk, collecting all the usual suspects including Grey-tit Flycatcher, Yellow-rumped Tinkerbird, African Emerald Cuckoo, Sombre Greenbul, White-browed Scrub Robin, White-bellied and Amethyst Sunbirds and a Pallid Honeyguide. After lunch, we took a chance as the weather cleared marginally and found some pristine miombo teeming with bird life. En route we had many Tambourine Doves and a single Mourning Collared Dove. We managed to locate Retz’s and the surprisingly common Chestnut-fronted Helmetshrikes, Stierling’s Wren-Warbler, a roosting European Nightjar high-up in a tree, Red-faced Crombec, Short-winged Cisticola, Green-capped Eremomela collecting Lichen for nesting material, Kurrichane Thrush, Collared Palm Thrush, a Striped Kingfisher, a very responsive African Barred Owlet, and African Golden and Black-headed Orioles, which came and sat a few metres from us before we returned to camp for dinner and another good night’s rest.

On the sixth day, we attempted to once again locate the African Pitta. An early departure from the hotel saw us arrive in the forest as all the species became active. We chased and had the briefest glimpses of White-chested Alethe; while Terrestrial Brownbul, Golden-tailed Woodpecker, and Yellow-breasted and Black-headed Apalis also showed very well. Sadly, the Pitta remained silent despite our vicinity to its last-known location. We returned to camp for a midday break before heading out to a nearby pan to try our luck in another environment. Here we managed views of Spur-winged Goose but very little else. We then ventured toward a patch of Miombo Woodland, collecting Hooded and White-headed Vultures, Natal Spurfowl, Wahlberg’s Eagle and Southern Black Flycatcher before returning to camp for our final evening in Mozambique.

Our last morning was sadly an early departure for the group, and we left without the opportunity to bird any further. We left the area pleased with what we had managed to find, although slightly disappointed by our main attraction’s notable absence. The great thing about this area is that it is protected, and this protection entrenches the possibility for us to return one day, and for future generations to enjoy the magnificence that is the Coutadas within the Zambezi Delta!

Annotated List of species recorded
Note: Number in brackets ( ) indicate number of days on the tour the species was recorded.
List powered through the report generator of our partner iGoTerra.

**Birds (188 in total: 188 seen)**
Nomenclature and taxonomy follows Gill, F and D Donsker (Eds). 2017. IOC World Bird List (v 7.2).
**Status codes:** E = Endemic, NE = Near-endemic, I = Introduced
**IUCN codes:** CR = Critically endangered, EN = Endangered, VU = Vulnerable, EW = Extinct in the Wild, NT = Near Threatened, DD = Data Deficient
**Ducks, Geese, and Waterfowl Anatidae**

**Spur-winged Goose**
*Plectropterus gambensis gambensis*

**Egyptian Goose**
*Alopochen aegyptiaca*
(1) 1 Coutada 11 13.12.

**Guineafowl Numididae**

**Helmeted Guineafowl**
*Numida meleagris mitratus*

**Crested Guineafowl**
*Guttera pucherani*

**Pheasants, Grouse, and Allies Phasianidae**

**Crested Francolin**
*Dendroperdix sephaena*
(2) Coutada 11 12.12 and Coutada 11 15.12.

**Natal Spurfowl**
*Pternistis natalensis neavei*
(1) Coutada 11 16.12.

**Red-necked Spurfowl**
*Pternistis afer*

**Storks Ciconiidae**

**Abdim's Stork**
*Ciconia abdimii*
(1) Villa De Senna 14.12.

**Woolly-necked Stork (VU)**
*Ciconia episcopus microscelis*
(1) Coutada 11 13.12.

**Saddle-billed Stork**
*Ephippiorhynchus senegalensis*
(1) Coutada 11 13.12.

**Marabou Stork**
*Leptoptilos crumenifer*
(1) Villa De Senna 14.12.

**Ibises and Spoonbills Threskiornithidae**

**Hadada Ibis**
*Bostrychia hagedash*

**Herons, Egrets, and Bitterns Ardeidae**

**Striated Heron**
*Butorides striata atricapilla*
(1) Villa De Senna 14.12.

**Western Cattle Egret**
*Bubulcus ibis*

**Grey Heron**
*Ardea cinerea cinerea*

**Black-headed Heron**  
*Ardea melanoccephala*  
(1) Villa De Senna 14.12.

**Great Egret**  
*Ardea alba melanorhynchos*  
(1) Villa De Senna 14.12.

**Little Egret**  
*Egretta garzetta garzetta*  
(1) Villa De Senna 14.12.

**Cormorants and Shags Phalacrocoracidae**

**Reed Cormorant**  
*Microcarbo africanus africanus*  
(1) Coutada 11 11.12.

**Hawks, Eagles, and Kites Accipitridae**

**Black-winged Kite**  
*Elanus caeruleus caeruleus*  
(1) Caia 14.12.

**Hooded Vulture (EN)**  
*Necrosyrtes monachus*  
(1) Coutada 11 16.12.

**White-backed Vulture (NT)**  
*Gyps africanus*  
(1) Coutada 11 13.12.

**White-headed Vulture (VU)**  
*Trigonoceps occipitalis*  
(1) Coutada 11 16.12.

**Black-chested Snake Eagle**  
*Circaetus pectoralis*  

**Brown Snake Eagle**  
*Circaetus cinereus*  

**Southern Banded Snake Eagle (NT)**  
*Circaetus fasciolatus*  

**Bateleur (NT)**  
*Terathopius ecaudatus*  

**Crowned Eagle (NT)**  
*Stephanoaetus coronatus*  
(1) Coutada 11 12.12.

**Long-crested Eagle**  
*Lophaetus occipitalis*  
(1) Coutada 11 13.12.

**Lesser Spotted Eagle**  
*Clanga pomarina*  

**Wahlberg's Eagle**  
*Hieraaetus wahlbergi*  
(1) Coutada 11 16.12.

**African Hawk-Eagle**  
*Aquila spilogaster*

**Lizard Buzzard**  
*Kaupifalco monogrammicus meridionalis*  
(1) Caia 14.12.

**Little Sparrowhawk**  
*Accipiter minullus tropicalis*  

**Ovambo Sparrowhawk**  
*Accipiter ovampensis*  
(1) Villa De Senna 14.12.

**Yellow-billed Kite**  
*Milvus aegyptius parasitus*  

**African Fish Eagle**  
*Haliaeetus vocifer*  

**Bustards Otididae**

**Black-bellied Bustard**  
*Lissotis melanogaster*  
(1) Coutada 11 12.12.

**Rails, Gallinules, and Coots Rallidae**

**Black Crake**  
*Amaurornis flavirostra*  
(1) Villa De Senna 14.12.

**Cranes Gruidae**

**Grey Crowned Crane (VU)**  
*Balearica regulorum gibbericeps*  
(1) Coutada 11 13.12.

**Jacanas Jacanidae**

**African Jacana**  
*Actophilornis africanus*  
(1) Coutada 11 13.12.

**Sandpipers and Allies Scolopacidae**

**Wood Sandpiper**  
*Tringa glareola*  
(1) Villa De Senna 14.12.

**Pigeons and Doves Columbidae**

**Rock Dove**  
*Columba livia var. domestica*  
(1) Coutada 11 16.12.

**Red-eyed Dove**  
*Streptopelia semitorquata*  

**Ring-necked Dove**  
*Streptopelia capicola tropica*  

**Emerald-spotted Wood Dove**  
*Turtur chalcospilos*  

**Tambourine Dove**  
*Turtur tympanistria*  

**Namaqua Dove**  
*Oena capensis capensis*  
(1) Coutada 11 13.12.

**African Green Pigeon**  
*Treron calvus*  
(1) Coutada 11 13.12.

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**Turacos Musophagidae**

**Livingstone's Turaco**  
*Tauraco livingstonii*  

**Purple-crested Turaco**  
*Tauraco porphyreolophus*  

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**Cuckoos Cuculidae**

**Senegal Coucal**  
*Centropus senegalensis*  
(1) Villa De Senna 14.12.

**Burchell's Coucal**  
*Centropus burchellii*  

**Green Malkoha**  
*Ceuthmochares australis*  
(1) Coutada 11 12.12.

**Jacobin Cuckoo**  
*Clamator jacobinus*  
(1) Coutada 11 13.12.

**Thick-billed Cuckoo**  
*Pachycoccyx audeberti validus*  

**Diederik Cuckoo**  
*Chrysococcyx caprius*  
(1) Villa De Senna 14.12.

**Klaas's Cuckoo**  
*Chrysococcyx klaas*  
(1) 1 Coutada 11 14.12.

**African Emerald Cuckoo**  
*Chrysococcyx cupreus*  
(1) Coutada 11 15.12.

**Black Cuckoo**  
*Cuculus clamosus clamosus*  

**Red-chested Cuckoo**  
*Cuculus solitarius*  
(2) Coutada 11 12.12 and 1 Coutada 11 15.12.

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**Owls Strigidae**

**African Wood Owl**  
*Strix woodfordii woodfordii*
(1) Coutada 11.12.

**African Barred Owl**

_**Glaucidium capense**_

(1) Coutada 11.13.12.

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**Nightjars and Allies Caprimulgidae**

**European Nightjar**

_**Caprimulgus europaeus**_


**Square-tailed Nightjar**

_**Caprimulgus fossii welwitschii**_


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**Swifts Apodidae**

**African Palm Swift**

_**Cypsiurus parvus**_


**Common Swift**

_**Apus apus apus**_

(3) Villa De Senna 14.12, Coutada 11.15.12 and Coutada 11.16.12.

**Little Swift**

_**Apus affinis affinis**_

(1) Caia 14.12.

**White-rumped Swift**

_**Apus caffer**_

(1) Caia 14.12.

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**Mousebirds Coliidae**

**Speckled Mousebird**

_**Colius striatus**_

(1) Villa De Senna 14.12.

**Red-faced Mousebird**

_**Urocolius indicus**_

(1) Villa De Senna 14.12.

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**Trogons Trogonidae**

**Narina Trogon**

_**Apaloderma narina**_


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**Rollers Coraciidae**

**European Roller (NT)**

_**Coracias garrulus garrulus**_

(2) Caia 14.12 and Coutada 11.15.12.

**Broad-billed Roller**

_**Eurystomus glaucurus suahelicus**_


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**Kingfishers Alcedinidae**

**Brown-hooded Kingfisher**

_**Halcyon albiventris**_


**Striped Kingfisher**

_**Halcyon chelicuti chelicuti**_
Woodland Kingfisher  *Halcyon senegalensis cyanoleuca*
(1) Coutada 11 13.12.

Mangrove Kingfisher  *Halcyon senegaloides*

**Bee-eaters Meropidae**

Swallow-tailed Bee-eater  *Merops hirundineus furcatus*

Little Bee-eater  *Merops pusillus meridionalis*

White-fronted Bee-eater  *Merops bullockoides*
(1) Villa De Senna 14.12.

Blue-cheeked Bee-eater  *Merops persicus persicus*
(1) Villa De Senna 14.12.

**Hoopoes Upupidae**

African Hoopoe  *Upupa africana*

**Woodhoopoes and Scimitar-bills Phoeniculidae**

Green Wood Hoopoe  *Phoeniculus purpureus marwitzi*

Common Scimitarbill  *Rhinopomastus cyanomelas schalowi*

**Ground Hornbills Bucorvidae**

Southern Ground Hornbill (VU)  *Bucorvus leadbeateri*

**Hornbills Bucerotidae**

Crowned Hornbill  *Lophoceros alboterminalis*

Trumpeter Hornbill  *Bycanistes bucinator*

Silvery-cheeked Hornbill  *Bycanistes brevis*

**African Barbets Lybiidae**
**White-eared Barbet** *Stactolaema leucotis leucotis*  

**Yellow-rumped Tinkerbird** *Pogoniulus bilineatus bilineatus*  
(2) 1 Coutada 11 13.12 and Coutada 11 15.12.

**Honeyguides** *Indicatoridae*

**Pallid Honeyguide** *Indicator meliphilus angolensis*  
(1) Coutada 11 15.12.

**Lesser Honeyguide** *Indicator minor*  
(1) Coutada 11 13.12.

**Woodpeckers** *Picidae*

**Golden-tailed Woodpecker** *Campethera abingoni*  
(1) Coutada 11 16.12.

**Green-backed Woodpecker** *Campethera cailliautii loveridgei*  

**Cardinal Woodpecker** *Dendropicos fuscescens hartlaubii*  

**Falcons and Caracaras** *Falconidae*

**Dickinson's Kestrel** *Falco dickinsoni*  
(1) Caia 14.12.

**Eurasian Hobby** *Falco subbuteo subbuteo*  

**African & New World Parrots** *Psittacidae*

**Brown-necked Parrot** *Poicephalus fuscicollis suahelicus*  

**Broadbills** *Eurylaimidae*

**African Broadbill** *Smithornis capensis*  

**Wattle-eyes and Batises** *Platysteiridae*

**Black-and-white Shrike-flycatcher** *Bias musicus clarens*  
(1) Coutada 11 12.12.

**Woodward's Batis** *Batis fratrum*  

**Pale Batis** *Batis soror*  
Helmetshrikes and Allies Prionopidae

Retz's Helmetshrike  
*Prionops retzii tricolor*  

Chestnut-fronted Helmetshrike  
*Prionops scopifrons scopifrons*  

Bushshrikes and Allies Malaconotidae

Grey-headed Bushshrike  
*Malaconotus blanchoti hypopyrrhus*  
(1) Coutada 11 12.12.

Brown-crowned Tchagra  
*Tchagra australis*  

Black-crowned Tchagra  
*Tchagra senegalus armenus*  
(1) Coutada 11 13.12.

Black-backed Puffback  
*Dryoscopus cubla hamatus*  

Tropical Boubou  
*Laniarius major mossambicus*  

Cuckoo-shrikes Campephagidae

White-breasted Cuckooshrike  
*Coracina pectoralis*  

Black Cuckooshrike  
*Campephaga flava*  

Old World Orioles Oriolidae

African Golden Oriole  
*Oriolus auratus notatus*  
(1) Coutada 11 15.12.

Black-headed Oriole  
*Oriolus larvatus*  
(3) 1 Coutada 11 13.12, Coutada 11 15.12 and Coutada 12 16.12.

Drongos Dicruridae

Square-tailed Drongo  
*Dicrurus ludwigii*  

Fork-tailed Drongo  
*Dicrurus adsimilis fugax*  
(1) Caia 14.12.

Monarch Flycatchers Monarchidae

Blue-mantled Crested Flycatcher  
*Trochocercus cyanomelas megalolophus*  
(1) 1 Coutada 11 13.12.

African Paradise Flycatcher  
*Terpsiphone viridis plumbeiceps*

**Crows, Jays, and Magpies Corvidae**

**Pied Crow**

*Corvus albus*


**Nicators Nicatoridae**

**Eastern Nicator**

*Nicator gularis*

(1) 1 Coutada 11 13.12.

**Larks Alaudidae**

**Flappet Lark**

*Mirafra rufocinnamomea*


**Bulbs Pycnonotidae**

**Dark-capped Bulbul**

*Pycnonotus tricolor*


**Sombre Greenbul**

*Andropadus importunus*

(2) 1 Coutada 11 13.12 and Coutada 11 15.12.

**Yellow-bellied Greenbul**

*Chlorocichla flaviventris*


**Terrestrial Brownbul**

*Phyllastrephus terrestris*

(2) 1 Coutada 11 15.12 and Coutada 12 16.12.

**Lowland Tiny Greenbul**

*Phyllastrephus debilis debilis*


**Swallows Hirundinidae**

**Grey-rumped Swallow**

*Pseudhirundo griseopyga griseopyga*

(1) Villa De Senna 14.12.

**Barn Swallow**

*Hirundo rustica rustica*


**Wire-tailed Swallow**

*Hirundo smithii smithii*

(1) Caia 14.12.

**Common House Martin**

*Delichon urbicum*

(1) Caia 14.12.

**Lesser Striped Swallow**

*Cecropis abyssinica unitatis*

(1) Caia 14.12.

**Crombecs, African warblers Macrosphenidae**

**Moustached Grass Warbler**

*Melocichla mentalis orientalis*
(1) Villa De Senna 14.12.

**Red-faced Crombec**
*Sylvietta whytii whytii*
(1) Coutada 11 15.12.

**Yellow Flycatcher**
*Erythrocercidae*

**Livingstone's Flycatcher**
*Erythrocercus livingstonei*

**Reed-Warblers and Allies**
*Acrocephalidae*

**African Reed Warbler**
*Acrocephalus baeticatus*
(1) Coutada 11 13.12.

**Cisticolas and Allies**
*Cisticolidae*

**Rattling Cisticola**
*Cisticola chiniana*

**Croaking Cisticola**
*Cisticola natalensis natalensis*

**Short-winged Cisticola**
*Cisticola brachypterus isabellinus*
(2) Coutada 11 15.12 and Coutada 12 16.12.

**Tawny-flanked Prinia**
*Prinia subflava*

**Yellow-breasted Apalis**
*Apalis flavida neglecta*
(2) 1 Coutada 11 13.12 and Coutada 12 16.12.

**Black-headed Apalis**
*Apalis melanocephala*
(1) Coutada 11 16.12.

**Grey-backed Camaroptera**
*Camaroptera brevicaudata beirensis*
(2) Coutada 11 12.12 and Coutada 11 15.12.

**Stierling's Wren-Warbler**
*Calamonastes stierlingi*
(2) 1 Coutada 11 13.12 and Coutada 11 15.12.

**Green-capped Eremomela**
*Eremomela scotops scotops*
(1) Coutada 11 15.12.

**Starlings**
*Buphagidae*

**Black-bellied Starling**
*Notopholia corrusca*

**Violet-backed Starling**
*Cinnyricinclus leucogaster verreauxi*

**Oxpeckers**

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Red-billed Oxpecker  \textit{Buphagus erythrorhynchos}

\textbf{Thrushes and Allies} \textit{Turdidae}

Kurrichane Thrush  \textit{Turdus libonyana}
(2) 1 Coutada 11 13.12 and Coutada 11 15.12.

\textbf{Old World Flycatchers} \textit{Muscicapidae}

Bearded Scrub Robin  \textit{Cercotrichas quadrivergata quadrivergata}
(1) Coutada 11 12.12.

White-browed Scrub Robin  \textit{Cercotrichas leucophrys}
(1) Coutada 11 15.12.

Grey Tit-Flycatcher  \textit{Myioparus plumbeus orientalis}
(1) Coutada 11 15.12.

Southern Black Flycatcher  \textit{Melaenornis pammelaina pammelaina}
(1) Coutada 12 16.12.

Pale Flycatcher  \textit{Melaenornis pallidus}

White-chested Alethe  \textit{Pseudoalethe fueilleborni}
(1) 1 Coutada 11 16.12.

White-browed Robin-Chat  \textit{Cossypha heuglini intermedia}
(1) 1 Villa De Senna 14.12.

East Coast Akalat (NT)  \textit{Sheppardia gunningi gunningi}
(3) Observed Coutada 11 12-14.12.

Collared Palm Thrush  \textit{Cichladusa arquata}
(1) Coutada 11 15.12.

\textbf{Sunbirds and Spiderhunters} \textit{Nectariniidae}

Plain-backed Sunbird (NT)  \textit{Anthreptes reichenowi reichenowi}
(1) Coutada 11 13.12.

Western Violet-backed Sunbird  \textit{Anthreptes longuemarei nyassae}

Olive Sunbird  \textit{Cyanomitra olivacea}
(2) Coutada 11 15.12 and Coutada 11 16.12.

Scarlet-chested Sunbird  \textit{Chalcomitra senegalensis gutturalis}

Copper Sunbird  \textit{Cinnyris cupreus chalceus}
(1) Villa De Senna 14.12.
Old World Sparrows *Passeridae*

**House Sparrow**
*Passer domesticus indicus*
(1) Villa De Senna 14.12.

**Southern Grey-headed Sparrow**
*Passer diffusus*
(1) Villa De Senna 14.12.

Weavers and Allies *Ploceidae*

**Thick-billed Weaver**
*Amblyospiza albifrons woltersi*
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**Spectacled Weaver**
*Ploceus ocularis*
(1) Coutada 11 12.12.

**Eastern Golden Weaver**
*Ploceus subaureus*

**Village Weaver**
*Ploceus cucullatus*

**Dark-backed Weaver**
*Ploceus bicolor*
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**Red-headed Weaver**
*Anaplectes rubriceps rubriceps*
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**Black-winged Red Bishop**
*Euplectes hordeaceus*

**Southern Red Bishop**
*Euplectes orix*
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**Yellow Bishop**
*Euplectes capensis crassirostris*
(1) Caia 14.12.

Waxbills and Allies *Estrildidae*

**Red-throated Twinspot**
*Hypargos niveoguttatus niveoguttatus*

**Red-billed Firefinch**
*Lagonosticta senegala rendalli*

**Blue Waxbill**
*Uraeginthus angolensis niassensis*
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**Grey Waxbill**
*Estrilda perreini incana*
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**Common Waxbill**
*Estrilda astrild cavendishi*
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**Orange-breasted Waxbill**
*Amandava subflava clarkei*
Bronze Mannikin  
*Lonchura cucullata scutata*

Pin-tailed Whydah  
*Vidua macroura*

Indigobirds *Viduidae*

Western Yellow Wagtail  
*Motacilla flava*

African Pied Wagtail  
*Motacilla aguimp vidua*

Yellow-throated Longclaw  
*Macronyx croceus vulturnus*

African Pipit  
*Anthus cinnamomeus*

Finches, Euphonias *Fringillidae*

Lemon-breasted Canary  
*Crithagra citriniceps*

Yellow-fronted Canary  
*Crithagra mozambica*

Brimstone Canary  
*Crithagra sulphurata*

Mammals (20 in total: 20 seen)

Status codes: E = Endemic, NE = Near-endemic, I = Introduced

IUCN codes: CR = Critically endangered, EN = Endangered, VU = Vulnerable, EW = Extinct in the Wild, NT = Near Threatened, DD = Data Deficient

Elephant Shrews *Macroscelididae*

Four-toed Sengi  
*Petrodromus tetradactylus*

Grant's Lesser Galago  
*Galagoides granti*

Thick-tailed Greater Galago  
*Otolemur crassicaudatus kirkii*
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**Old World monkeys Cercopithecidae**

**Blue Monkey** *Cercopithecus mitis erythrarchus*  

**Yellow Baboon** *Papio cynocephalus cynocephalus*  

**Rabbits, Hares Leporidae**

**African Savanna Hare** *Lepus microtis*  

**Cane Rats Thryonomyidae**

**Greater Cane Rat** *Thryonomys swinderianus*  

**Squirrels Sciuridae**

**Mutable Sun Squirrel** *Heliosciurus mutabilis*  
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**Red Bush Squirrel** *Paraxerus palliatus*  
(1) Coutada 12 14.12.

**Pigs Suidae**

**Common Warthog** *Phacochoerus africanus sundevallii*  

**Hippopotamuses Hippopotamidae**

**Hippopotamus** *Hippopotamus amphibius*  
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**Cattle, Antelopes, Sheep, Goats Bovidae**

**Natal Red Duiker** *Cephalophus natalensis*  

**Sable Antelope** *Hippotragus niger*  

**Waterbuck** *Kobus ellipsiprymnus ellipsiprymnus*  
(1) Coutada 12 14.12.

**Suni** *Nesotragus moschatus*

**Oribi** *Ourebia ourebi*

**Blue Duiker** *Philantomba monticola*

**Southern Reedbuck** *Redunca arundinum*

**Nyala** *Tragelaphus angasii*

**Bushbuck** *Tragelaphus scriptus*
(1) Coutada 11 15.12.

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