Namibia, Botswana & Zambia
Overland Adventure III
22nd July to 8th August 2018 (18 days)
Trip Report

Souza’s Shrike by Daniel Keith Danckwerts

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Tour Summary

Windhoek, the capital of Namibia, was the starting point of this epic overland adventure through southwestern Africa. We explored several sites in the Namib Desert where Namibia’s arid country near-endemics were our primary focus: Rockrunner, Hartlaub’s Spurfowl, Carp’s Tit, Violet Wood Hoopoe, Dune and Gray’s Larks, Rüppell’s Korhaan, Herero Chat, Damara Red-billed and Monteiro’s Hornbills, Bare-cheeked and Black-faced Babblers, and Rüppell’s Parrot. We were successful in finding all of these incredible species, and our sightings couldn’t have been any better! We then visited Etosha National Park, where our mammal viewing was the primary focus. The most memorable sightings included both Black and White Rhinoceroses, the rare Brown Hyaena, as many as six Honey Badgers, Wild Cat, Kirk’s Dik-Dik, African Elephant, and two separate prides of Lion. We then travelled eastwards towards the Caprivi Strip and the famed Okavango Delta. Here we enjoyed views of the difficult Slaty Egret, Wattled Crane, African Skimmer, White-crowned and Long-toed Lapwings, Coppery-tailed Coucal, Greater Swamp Warbler, Luapula and Chirping Cisticolas, African Pygmy Goose, and Lesser Jacana. We also enjoyed several encounters with four inexplicitly rare mammals: Roan Antelope, Sitatunga, Selous’ Mongoose, and Aardvark. Our tour then ended in Zambia, where we visited the Victoria Falls. Rightly considered one of the seven Natural Wonders of the World – we were all left totally bewildered!

Top 10 experiences, as voted by the tour participants:

1. Racket-tailed Roller
2. Aardvark (!)
3. Southern Carmine Bee-eater
4. Schalow’s Turaco
5. Collared Palm-Thrush
6. Golden-breasted Bunting
7. Pel’s Fishing Owl
8. Spotted Eagle-Owl
9. Lion
10. Pygmy Falcon

Our epic overland adventure through Namibia, Botswana and Zambia began on the outskirts of the bustling city of Windhoek – Namibia’s largest city and the country’s capital. Rewarded with an early arrival time, we took the opportunity to explore the dense thornveld around our hotel. Here we were treated with glorious sightings of small flocks of the delightful Black-faced Waxbill, an extremely confiding Barred Wren-Warbler, noisy groups of Pale-winged Starling, skulking Chestnut-vented Warblers, and some extremely confiding Short-toed Rockthrushes. A distant raptor soaring over the valley below was identified as a Black-chested Snake Eagle – the first of many. We then ventured further afield, stopping first at the Gammas Waste Water Treatment Plant. Here we witnessed impressive numbers (tens of thousands!) of Wattled Starling – some
in breeding plumage – as well as a plethora of waterbirds, including Little Grebe, Common Moorhen, all three Teals (Hottentot, Cape and Red-billed), White-breasted and Reed Cormorants, Black-crowned Night Heron, and a surprise Southern Pochard. A quick post-lunch trip out to the airport produced some fleeting Rosy-faced Lovebirds – a species we all so desired to see better. From there we ventured to Avis Dam, a municipal-run greenspace on the edge of the city. Our principal target here was the Rockrunner – the first of Namibia’s near-endemics – which we soon found scurrying across the rocky hillslopes. Zitting Cisticola flitted through the nearby brush, Mountain Wheatears called loudly from ridgetops, and Crimson-breasted Shrike left us all drooling. En route to the hotel for the evening, we were treated to unreal views of a male Red-crested Korhaan as it crossed the road ahead of our vehicle.

The following day, we set off to the nearby Daan Viljoen Nature Reserve. The entrance road produced the first mammals of the trip: Hartebeest, Oryx, Impala, Giraffe, and Warthog. Not forgetting the birds, we quickly added the diminutive Cape Penduline Tit, noisy parties of Ashy Tit, the electric blue Common Scimitarbill, and another Rockrunner. Monteiro’s Hornbill – another key target – was pleasantly abundant, but the scarce Orange River Francolin eluded us in the heat of the day. Our lunch break yielded the gorgeous Violet-eared Waxbill, the first of many Lilac-breasted Roller, and some quick Bradfield’s Swifts. From there, we set off on the long drive towards Namibgrens, where our luxury accommodations for the evening were built into the impressive rocky landscape. En route we saw our first Mountain Zebra and Blesbok, a pair of endearing and delicate Rufous-eared Warblers, breathtaking Northern Black Korhaan, and flocks of Sociable Weaver at their massive thatched nests. A photo-op as we crossed the Tropic of Capricorn was a mandatory stop… Freckled Nightjar then called incessantly around our lodgings, serenading us to sleep after a mouth-watering traditional dinner.

Early the next day, we took a short drive for the difficult Hartlaub’s Spurfowl. Though the habitat seemed perfect, the birds were just nowhere to be found – the species would just have to wait for a little later in the trip.

Following a hearty breakfast, we took a quick walk around the working farmyard. Here we observed the near-endemic Karoo Scrub Robin, African Hoopoe, Bradfield’s Swift, and some indescribably beautiful and much-wanted White-tailed Shrikes. We then drove to the impressive Peashooter Pass, where the
views out over the Namib Desert were just spectacular. A short foray produced a striking pair Bokmakierie, several nondescript Layard’s Warblers, ubiquitous Mountain Wheatears, a flyover Long-billed Pipit, Peregrine Falcon, and two soaring Verreaux’s Eagles. Thereafter, we continued through the Namib-Naukluft National Park, witnessing the desolate desert-proper in all its forms. The lunar landscape seemed almost devoid of life, though we stopped to admire some impressive Quiver Trees in a small ravine. On gravel plains closer to Walvis Bay, our destination for the next two nights, we spotted an incredible 28 Rüppell’s Korhaans – surely this must be some kind of record! Gray’s Lark, another real specialist of these most desolate of desert plains, was also easily found as it sang its almost inaudible tinkling song, though a pair of Tractrac Chat offered only fleeting views.

Our time in Walvis Bay was a real highlight for all, as our accommodation looked across the vast lagoon that was blanketed in flamingo-pink. Tens of thousands of both Lesser and Greater Flamingos reside in these productive waters, and we had ample opportunity to study both species, often side-by-side. The lagoon also produced several species of tern (Common, Sandwich, Great Crested, and Caspian), Hartlaub’s and Kelp Gulls, Grey and White-fronted Plovers, Pied Avocet, Black-winged Stilt, Black-necked Grebe, and Curlew Sandpiper. An early morning trip to Rooibank – the northernmost tip of the vast red-dune landscape that covers most of southern Namibia – produced as many as 5 Dune Larks. This species, Namibia’s only true-endemic bird, is always a pleasure to watch as it scurries through the foredune vegetation. Heading north, we also visited the small Germanesque town of Swakopmund. A quick stop at the Langstrand guano platform produced Great White Pelican and African Oystercatcher. It took some time, but we also eventually located a few near-endemic Crowned Cormorants among the thousands of Cape Cormorants. A small pod of dolphins provided entertainment for some as they leapt back and forth through the waves; while others scanned through the hordes of cormorants. Mile 4 Salt Works, situated just to the north of Swakopmund, then delivered the difficult but beautiful Chestnut-banded Plover, after much effort, as well as some distant Gray’s Larks. To end our time in these coastal areas, we took a short drive out to
observe the impressive Welwitschias (*Welwitschia mirabilis*), an ancient plant that originates from a time before the continents divided!

A special date with one of Namibia’s hardest near-endemic birds, the Herero Chat, meant a very early morning departure from Walvis Bay. We drove in darkness towards the impressive Spitzkoppe and arrived just in time to watch the sun rise over the most impressive geological formations! After a quick field breakfast, we began our search. The wind was gusting, but it didn’t take long before we were eyeballing a pair of these normally difficult birds. Having secured our main quarry early on, we explored the small reserve and produced some confiding Pale-winged Starlings, Monteiro’s Hornbill, and Cape Bunting. Happy with our success, we then continued towards the town of Usakos. En route we spotted a dark morph Booted Eagle, obviously displaying its pale ‘landing lights’, as well as a few Karoo Chats. From Usakos, we took a detour towards our accommodations in the Erongo Mountains. This worked in our favour, delivering the sometimes scarce Rüppell’s Parrot, a pair of the difficult Damara Red-billed Hornbill, our first Pearl-spotted Owlets for the trip, and some intricately patterned Double-banded Sandgrouse. We arrived at our luxury tented camp with time to spare, so we took a short walk through some granite boulders, where we quickly found a pair of noisy Hartlaub’s Spurfowl. During dinner, we spotted Freckled Nightjar hawking insects around the spotlit waterhole, though Western Barn Owl was only heard in the distance.

Early the next morning, we took a walk through a valley behind our lodge in search of Carp’s Tit. However, these birds proved surprisingly elusive and we were forced to settle for a pair of Hartlaub’s Spurfowl, several more Pearl-spotted Owlets, a wonderful Little Sparrowhawk, Violet-eared Waxbill, a striking White-browed Scrub Robin, and several small flocks of the bulky Chestnut Weaver in non-breeding dress. The breakfast ‘feeding’ produced incredible numbers of confiding Rosy-faced Lovebird, Red-billed Spurfowl, Great Sparrow, and Green-winged Pytilia. Several Dassie Rats, an odd rodent that resembles a Rock Hyrax, also arrived to feed on the bird seed. Thereafter, we loaded up and began the long drive towards Etosha National Park. Several scheduled stops along the way produced Carp’s Tit (finally!), a noisy family group of Violet
Wood Hoopoe, and some wonderful Damara Red-billed Hornbills. As we neared Etosha, we spotted an impressive number of White-backed and Lapped-faced Vultures, along with the grotesque-looking Marabou Stork. We all concluded that there must have been a predator kill site somewhere nearby! Our accommodations for the evening, set just on the outskirts of Etosha National Park, also seemed alive with bird activity! A huge mixed feeding flock on the entrance road contained the beautiful Golden-breasted Bunting, a small flock of humorous White-crested Helmetshrikes, a pair of Carp’s Tit, a skulking Brown-crowned Tchagra, Violet-eared Waxbill, and a wonderful party of Bare-cheeked Babbler! What luck to find this difficult species with such ease! We settled into a delicious buffet-type dinner, enjoying the antics of a family group of Southern Lesser Galago as they bounced through the canopy.

Our time in western Etosha delivered spectacular mammal viewing opportunities – by far the best of the trip – as well as some incredible birds. We quickly found the adorable Pygmy Falcon, the pale desert races of both Double-banded Courser and Eastern Clapper Lark, several nondescript Desert Cisticolas, a pair of fantastic Greater Kestrels, and some exquisite Pink-billed Larks in the Okondeka area, as well as impressive numbers of Plain’s Zebra, Oryx, Giraffe, and Springbok. The real surprise was seeing a roosting pair of Spotted Eagle-Owls, which included both the uncommon rufous and more-common grey morphs of this species. The Gemsbokvlakte additionally delivered a striking Capped Wheatear, a pair of Rufous-eared Warbler of a different (much paler) race to what we had seen previously, confiding Lilac-breasted Roller, Northern Black Korhaan and some incredibly tame Chat and Marico Flycatchers. But Okaukuejo stole the show, as it was here that we found the inexplicitly rare Brown Hyaena, a single Black Rhinoceros, and our first African Elephants of the trip.

Moving to central Etosha, we were incredibly lucky to watch a pride of four lionesses as they attempted to hunt springbok. Moreover, an impressive black-maned lion stopped in at a waterhole to drink, offering the most unbelievable photographic opportunities. This sighting resonated what a unique place Etosha is – predator and prey will often drink side-by-side in this desert landscape, where a kind of ‘truce’ exists at waterholes. Then the Halali area delivered our first Red-necked Falcon, several more Violet Wood Hoopoes, including one particularly confiding immature bird, a singleton Black-faced Babbler,
Southern White-crowned Shrike, Yellow-breasted Apalis, and a handful more Carp’s Tit. We all commented on how easy this latter species had become, after struggling as much as we did in the Erongo area. The afternoon drive produced several fantastic herds of Oryx and Plain’s Zebra, a few hundred Common Wildebeest, a single Honey Badger, and a surprise Western Barred Cobra in the road. A real highlight for all was also our experience with a Northern Black Korhaan as it performed its startle display; the bird crouched down, fanning the wings to reveal the white inner webs to its wing feathers, and proceeded to bounce around in and out of view. A night walk through the camp offered up a pair of African Scops Owl, three more Honey Badgers scavenging at dustbins, Black Rhinoceros at the waterhole, and would you believe a Wild Cat!

Northern Black Korhaan by Daniel Keith Danckwerts

On we went, stopping next at Mokuti Lodge on the eastern edge of Etosha. Our time here was spent exploring the Andoni Plains and Namutoni, where avian highlights included a small party of the striking Southern Pied Babbler, several incredible Bateleur, a handful more Red-necked Falcons, impressive numbers of both Chestnut Weaver and Burchell’s Sandgrouse at the waterholes, confiding and photogenic Ant-eating Chats, some confiding Pink-billed Larks, a brief Carp’s Tit in flight, our first Dark Chanting Goshawk of the trip, and a small party of the inexplicitly scarce Black-faced Babbler in camp. Two more Lions were a welcomed surprise, as they walked across the desolate Etosha Pan towards a natural spring, as was yet another Honey Badger and a small group of White Rhinoceros. We also had the pleasure of watching large numbers of African Elephant and Giraffe at the waterholes, the latter performing impressive leg stretches as they drank.

From Mokuti, we drove eastwards towards the bustling city of Rundu. Here we enjoyed some incredible birdwatching, including a first taste of the wetland habitats that we would be exploring in the days to come. A quick visit to the local waste water treatment plant included a frustratingly brief African Rail, an incredibly skulking Baillon’s Crake, White-browed Coucal, some welcomed African Snipes with their unbelievably long bills, cooing Mourning Collared Doves, and a wonderful surprise in the form of a juvenile Ayres’ Hawk-Eagle. Then it was off to our tranquil lodge, set on the banks of the Kavango River and overlooking the border to Angola. The gardens offered a female Bearded Woodpecker, several Swamp Boubous,
Kurrichane Thrush, and Holub’s Golden Weaver; while some nearby marshes contained the huge Coppery-tailed Coucal, Red-billed Teal, a close Rufous-bellied Heron, and African Jacana. We also had a short opportunity to wander through some woodlands on the western edge of town. Though it was incredibly quiet, we nipped a handful of Pale Flycatchers, some stunning Swallow-tailed Bee-eaters, Yellow-fronted Tinkerbird, a female Red-headed Weaver, a fleeting group of Green-capped Eremomelias, and a cracking party of the scarce Rufous-bellied Tit. The latter has become inexplicitly difficult in recent years, as their woodland habitats have been decimated by slash-and-burn farmers on the Caprivi Strip. The day ended with a short post-dinner night drive, on which we had an incredible opportunity to study the intricacies in the plumage of Square-tailed Nightjars.

From Rundu, we drove towards the village of Kayaru. This is the only known area where Souza’s Shrike – a shy and unobtrusive central African woodland specialist – occurs in southern Africa. However, sightings of these birds are few and far between, and there appears to be distinct seasonality in this species’ occurrence in Namibia. We arrived in an area where the habitat looked suitable, and immediately set to work. It couldn’t have taken longer than about 15 minutes before a pair of male sunbirds were sighted in some flowering mistletoes in the canopy of the degraded woodland. Both seemed a little small, and the breast bands were much too bright for the common Marico Sunbird. They were Shelley’s Sunbirds – another rare and unpredictable species with an unclear distribution! Who would believe that a pair of Souza’s Shrike would then appear in the lower branches of the very same tree! We spent the better part of an hour enjoying these rarities – the shrikes often feeding within two metres of us – until we eventually had to continue on our very merry way towards Divundu. The drive produced several Bradfield’s and Southern Yellow-billed Hornbills, Brown Snake Eagle, Magpie Shrike, and the long-tailed Meves’s Starling.

As we continued towards the Mohembo border post, where we would cross into Botswana, we took a slight detour through the Mahango Core Area of Bwabwata National Park. The floodplain was host to our first stately Wattled Cranes, several Grey Herons, fast-flying Grey-rumped Swallows, a single Coppery-tailed Coucal, large flocks of White-faced Whistling Duck, as well as Red
Lechwe, Southern Reedbuck, the rare Roan Antelope, and a scattering of African Buffalos. The surrounding thornveld contained Dark Chanting Goshawk, noisy groups of Hartlaub’s Babblers, metallic blue Meves’s and Burchell’s Starlings, small flocks of the sweet Blue Waxbill, Southern Black Tit, a striking Crested Barbet, and some Yellow-billed Oxpeckers that were presumed to be breeding in a dead snag. We then crossed into Botswana, where we were met by our fabulous and incredibly knowledgeable boat driver and local guide, Thomas. Thomas transferred us to our luxury tented camp on the banks of an isolated peninsula in the Okavango Delta. En route we spotted our first African Skimmers, several regal African Fish Eagles and a plethora of herons and egrets. We then settled in for an early night, eager for what the following day would bring.

It was an early start as we began our search for Pel’s Fishing Owl, a huge caramel-coloured piscivorous denizen of these swamps, along the network of trails behind the camp. While we searched, we found Retz’s Helmetshrike, noisy flocks of Green Wood Hoopoe, several pied Swamp Boubous, striking and melodious White-browed Robin-Chats, and a small flock of the beautiful African Green Pigeon. Eventually, Thomas spotted a large shape atop a dark leafy tree – Pel’s! The bird flew to a nearby tree, followed by its smaller mate (presumably the male), where they remained for some time for our viewing pleasure. Just awesome! We then headed back to the lodge, notching up roosting African Wood Owls en route. Happy with our success, we departed on our first of three boat trips through the Okavango Delta. Travelling upstream to an area of floodplain, we saw African Fish Eagle, several jewel-like Malachite Kingfishers, and White-fronted Bee-eaters. The floodplain itself supported Yellow-billed Stork, Black Heron performing its unique umbrella-feeding technique, a handful of roosting African Skimmers, a single Common Sandpiper, and Intermediate Egret. Several Hippopotami were also grazing in the flooded grassland; while some massive Nile Crocodiles were sunning themselves on the edges of the papyrus.

The afternoon boat trip saw us travel downstream to another floodplain, where we had hoped for Slaty Egret. However, these birds proved incredibly scarce and we drew a blank despite our best efforts to find them. The species favours areas of flooded grassland and is therefore much more difficult to find when the floodwaters extend beyond the normal limits of the Okavango Delta. An
unbelievable five Sitatunga were a welcomed consolation prize, as were a pair of Little Bittern in breeding plumage, a small flock of the stunning African Pygmy Geese, and the diminutive Lesser Jacana. A quick stop in some papyrus, on the way back to the lodge, produced an incredibly showy pair of Greater Swamp Warblers – a huge and normally secretive resident of these swamps. The post-dinner night walk then delivered a calling pair of African Wood Owls and a most-memorable sighting of a lone Aardvark. We couldn’t believe our luck when we stumbled upon the latter (one of Africa’s most mythical mammals!) as it trundled its way through camp, had a quick nap beside a tree, and eventually disappeared into some thicket!

Early the following morning, we left on our final boat trip through the Okavango Delta. We decided to explore the lower floodplain area again, where the habitat seemed best, in search of the difficult Slaty Egret. The 30-minute boat trip to the site produced several more Sitatunga, including one particularly confiding bull and a separate doe with her calf, as well as Coppery-tailed Coucal, African Skimmer, and Chirping Cisticola. The calls of Greater Swamp Warbler echoed all around us, though we were satisfied after our magical views the previous day. The floodplain itself delivered several Reed Cormorants, Yellow-billed Stork, and some especially confiding Lesser Jacanas. And, just as we were about to give up hope, a pair of incredible Slaty Egret! What an incredible end to our visit to one of Africa’s most famous wildlife destinations!

We crossed back into Namibia, notching up several Red-billed Buffalo Weavers, frustratingly brief Violet-backed Starlings, long-tailed Magpie Shrikes, and Bradfield’s Hornbills en route. The afternoon was then spent in the Mahango Core Area of the Bwabwata Game Reserve. Here we found several more endangered Wattled Cranes, Glossy and Sacred Ibises, Yellow-billed Stork, and thousands of assorted ducks and geese. Some riverine woodland produced a cracking African Barred Owlet together in the same tree with a Pearl-spotted Owlet, a pair of Crested Barbets, and Violet-backed Starling. Mammal viewing on the floodplain drive was also sublime, including huge herds of African Buffalo (easily amounting to over 50 animals in a single herd!), a small group of Topi, several African Elephant, impressive numbers of Red Lechwe – including some
huge males, Southern Reedbuck, a pair of Bushbuck, and several troops of both Vervets and Chacma Baboon. The trip out to the waterhole also delivered a pair of Red-crested Korhaan, Yellow-throated Petronia, Golden-breasted Bunting, Cape Starling, some brief Meyer’s Parrots, and a party of roosting White-backed, Lapped-faced, and White-headed Vultures. We also managed several Roan Antelope, most of which were covered in Red-billed Oxpeckers. One particular animal had as many as 20 separate birds on its hide! The drive out to our accommodations then took us across a small wetland, where we flushed a single African Snipe. A night drive to this same area, in search of Swamp Nightjar, delivered several Square-tailed Nightjars and a wonderful Selous’ Mongoose.

We took a short drive between our lodge and the entrance to Mahango early the following morning. Here we observed incredible numbers of Burchell’s and Meves’s Starlings – though the scarce Sharp-tailed Starling was nowhere to be found, as well as a single male Red-headed Weaver at its nest, some confiding Meyer’s Parrots, African Green Pigeons, the first Yellow-bellied Greenbul, and a Southern Black Flycatcher. We stopped at the marsh near our hotel, where we found an uncharacteristically confiding African Rail, a single Luapula Cisticola, and a pair of Greater Painted-snipe. From there, we began the long drive towards Katima Mulilo, stopping only at a bridge over the Kwando River where we saw our only Saddle-billed Stork of the trip. Several female Waterbuck were also drinking nearby, together with some Impala, Southern Reedbuck, and Red Lechwe. Nearer to Katima Mulilo, we put in a small effort for Racket-tailed Roller. A pair responded incredibly briefly, then seemed to totally vanish – satisfactory sightings of this incredible species would just have to wait for the following day. Shortly thereafter, we arrived at the Zambezi Mabala Camp and were transferred to our lodge for the evening by boat. En route we spotted a handful of White-crowned Lapwings, small numbers of Grey-headed Gulls, and African Skimmer.

We had an early start the following day, as we boated back to the camp to begin our morning exploration of the Katima Mulilo area. We stopped briefly at the Southern Carmine Bee-eater breeding colony – certainly a highlight for us all. We then wandered through the camp, looking for Brown Firefinch but seeing a pair of the unbeatable Schalow’s Turaco instead. Other, more common, residents in the camp included the now familiar Swamp Boubou, Southern Brown-throated Weaver, a pair of cracking Cardinal Woodpeckers,
Red-billed Firefinch, Green-winged Pytilia, noisy groups of Terrestrial Brownbul, and Yellow-bellied Greenbul. We then drove towards where we had seen Racket-tailed Roller previously, but were met with a similar response and only a brief sighting of a single bird for some. Though we continued our search, we only found Chinspot Batis, White-crested Helmetshrike, a very quick African Barred Owlet, and a small party of Green Wood Hoopoes.

A second Racket-tailed Roller territory delivered a cracking sighting of at least three birds, perched at almost arm’s reach above us and performing their towering areal displays, as well as small numbers of African Grey Hornbill. Just awesome! From there, we explored some mature Mopane woodland in search of the tricky Arnott’s Chat. Despite our best efforts, we had to settle for some White-crested Helmetshrikes and a quick male Red-headed Weaver. Returning to the lodge, we took a short afternoon break. A few of us then embarked on a long walk towards the Southern Carmine Bee-eater colony, where we eventually found small numbers of Brown Firefinch. A lone Grey Tit-Flycatcher also alerted us to its presence, giving its soft fluty call, and a Slaty Egret flew over a lucky few.

We left the Katima Mulilo area early, crossing into Botswana at Ngoma. The Ngoma bridge was a superb vantage point from which to scan the surrounding floodplain. Here we found African Jacana, Yellow-billed Stork, Great and Intermediate Egrets, Squacco Heron, and small numbers of Whiskered Tern. In the distance, we also saw Greater Kudu, Plain’s Zebra, Waterbuck, and Impala. From there we crossed through Chobe National Park, seeing a trio of the rare Sable Antelope and a herd of African Elephants crossing the road. Upon reaching the small bustling town of Kasane, we took a short walk through the grounds of one of the lodges. Here we soon found our main quarry, the striking Collared Palm-Thrush, as well as a small flock of Greater Blue-eared Starling and a single Schalow’s Turaco. Then we headed off to the Kazangula border post, where we’d cross into Zambia. This was an experience in itself, not just for the awesome ferry crossing over the wide Zambezi River. Eventually, we arrived in the bustling tourist town of Livingstone. Our first stop was the Victoria Falls – rightly considered one of the seven Natural Wonders of the World – where the Zambezi River plummets nearly 100 metres into the impressive network of gorges below.
visit couldn’t have been more perfectly timed, as we watched the sun set through the ‘Devil’s Cataract.’ This sight left us all completely breathless and we agreed that it was a most fitting end to our journey together.

The final morning was essentially devoted to packing for the long trip home, but a short pre-breakfast excursion to the Livingstone’s waste water treatment plant delivered Hadada Ibis, countless African Swamphens, Long-toed Lapwing, Collared Palm-Thrush, Lizard Buzzard, and a frolicking Hippo.

On behalf of Rockjumper, thank you to all our guests for making this an incredibly successful and most-memorable journey!

Annotated List of species recorded, split by country:

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 (365 in total: 362 seen, 3 heard)

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

Namibia

**Ostrich Struthionidae**

**Common Ostrich** *Struthio camelus australis*

### Ducks, Geese & Swans *Anatidae*

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### Guineafowl *Numididae*

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Swainson's Spurfowl
(5) 1 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7, 2 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 1 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8, 1 Katima Mulilo 5.8 and 2 Katima Mulilo 6.8.

Grebes Podicipedidae

Little Grebe
(5) 5 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 3 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7, 1 Etosha NP--Andoni Plains 31.7, 5 Rundu 1.8 and 5 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

Black-necked Grebe
(1) 15 Paaltjies 25.7.

Flamingos Phoenicopteridae

Greater Flamingo
(2) 50 Walvis Bay 24.7 and 2000 Paaltjies 25.7.

Lesser Flamingo (NT)
(2) 20 Walvis Bay 24.7 and 750 Paaltjies 25.7.

Storks Ciconiidae

Yellow-billed Stork
(4) 2 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 1 Kwandu River 5.8, 5 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8 and 20 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.

African Openbill
(2) 1 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8 and 25 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

Saddle-billed Stork
(1) 1 Kwandu River 5.8.

Marabou Stork
(1) 10 Outju 27.7.

Ibises, Spoonbills Threskiornithidae

African Sacred Ibis
(4) 4 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 3 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 4 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8 and 1 Kwandu River 5.8.

Glossy Ibis
(1) 1 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8.

African Spoonbill
(2) 1 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8 and 1 Kwandu River 5.8.

Herons, Egrets, and Bitterns Ardeidae

Little Bittern
(2) 1 heard Hakusembe River Lodge 2.8 and 1 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 5.8.
Black-crowned Night Heron  
*Nycticorax nycticorax*  
(4) 1 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7 and up to 25 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 5-7.8.

Striped Heron  
*Butorides striata atricapilla*  
(4) 1 Hakusembe River Lodge 2.8 and up to 5 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 5-7.8.

Squacco Heron  
*Ardeola ralloides*  
(3) 2 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 5 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8 and 3 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

Rufous-bellied Heron  
*Ardeola rufiventris*  
(3) 1 Hakusembe River Lodge 1.8, 10 Katima Mulilo 6.8 and 6 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.

Western Cattle Egret  
*Bubulcus ibis*  
(7) 15 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 2 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 4 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7, 3 Rundu 1.8, 3 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 5 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8 and 3 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.

Grey Heron  
*Ardea cinerea*  
(5) 4 Paaltjies 25.7, 1 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8 and up to 4 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 5-7.8.

Black-headed Heron  
*Ardea melanocephala*  
(4) 3 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 1 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 1 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7 and 6 Rundu 1.8.

Purple Heron  
*Ardea purpurea*  
(2) 7 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8 and 5 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.

Great Egret  
*Ardea alba melanorhynchos*  
(4) 2 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8 and up to 10 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 5-7.8.

Intermediate Egret  
*Ardea intermedia brachyrhyncha*  
(3) 1 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 1 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8 and 1 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

Slaty Egret (VU)  
*Egretta vinaceigula*  
(1) 1 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

Little Egret  
*Egretta garzetta*  
(5) 4 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 5 Paaltjies 25.7, 5 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 2 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8 and 15 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

Hamerkop  
*Scopus umbretta*  
(2) 2 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8 and 1 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.

Peleicans  
*Pelecanus onocrotalus*  
(1) 12 Paaltjies 25.7.

Cormorants and Shags  
*Microcarbo africanus*
(6) 5 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 1 Walvis Bay--Bird Sanctuary 25.7, 15 Hakusembe River Lodge 1.8 and up to 35 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 5-7.8.

**Crowned Cormorant (NT)**  \( \textit{Microcarbo coronatus} \\
(1) 10 Langstrand 25.7.

**White-breasted Cormorant**  \( \textit{Phalacrocorax lucidus} \\
(2) 2 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7 and 3 Paaltjies 25.7.

**Cape Cormorant (NT)**  \( \textit{Phalacrocorax capensis} \\
(1) 2000 Langstrand 25.7.

**Anhingas \textit{Anhingidae}**

**African Darter**  \( \textit{Anhinga rufa} \\
(4) 5 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 10 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 2 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8 and 4 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.

**Secretary-bird \textit{Sagittariidae}**

**Secretarybird (VU)**  \( \textit{Sagittarius serpentarius} \\
(3) 3 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7, 1 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7 and 1 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7.

**Kites, Hawks & Eagles \textit{Accipitridae}**

**Black-winged Kite**  \( \textit{Elanus caeruleus} \\
(5) 1 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 1 Namibgrens 23.7, 2 Outju 27.7, 2 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7 and 3 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

**African Harrier-Hawk**  \( \textit{Polyboroides typus} \\
(1) 1 Shamvura Woodland 2.8.

**White-backed Vulture (NT)**  \( \textit{Gyps africanus} \\

**White-headed Vulture (VU)**  \( \textit{Trigonoceps occipitalis} \\
(1) 1 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8.

**Lappet-faced Vulture (VU)**  \( \textit{Torgos tracheliotos} \\
(5) 3 Namibgrens 23.7, 1 Outju 27.7, 15 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 6 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8 and 3 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8.

**Black-chested Snake Eagle**  \( \textit{Circaetus pectoralis} \\
(3) 4 River Crossings Hotel, Windhoek 22.7, 1 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 3 Rundu 1.8 and 3 Rundu 1.8.

**Brown Snake Eagle**  \( \textit{Circaetus cinereus} \\
(4) 1 Avis Dam North 22.7, 1 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 1 Bwabwata NP 5.8 and 1 Katima Mulilo 6.8.

**Bateleur (NT)**  \( \textit{Terathopius ecaudatus} \\
(6) 1 Mokuti Lodge 30.7, 2 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 1 Hakusembe River Lodge 1.8, 1 Hakusembe River Lodge 1.8, 6 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8, 1 Bwabwata NP 5.8 and 4 Katima Mulilo 6.8.

**Martial Eagle (NT)**  \( \textit{Polemaetus bellicosus} \\
(1) 1 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8.
### Long-crested Eagle
*Lopaetus occipitalis*
(1) 1 Rundu 1.8.

### Booted Eagle
*Hieraaetus pennatus*
(1) 1 Spitzkoppe NR 26.7.

### Ayres's Hawk-Eagle
*Hieraaetus ayresii*
(1) 1 Rundu 1.8.

A wonderful surprise!

### Tawny Eagle
*Aquila rapax*
(3) 1 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 1 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 5.8 and 1 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.

### Verreaux's Eagle
*Aquila verreauxii*
(2) 2 Windhoek 23.7 and 2 Spreetshoogte Pass 24.7.

### African Hawk-Eagle
*Aquila spilogaster*
(5) 1 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 1 Swakopmund 26.7, 1 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 1 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7 and 2 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7.

### Gabar Goshawk
*Micronisus gabar*
(6) 1 Avis Dam North 22.7, 1 Swakopmund 26.7, 3 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 1 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7, 3 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7 and 1 Katima Mulilo 6.8.

### Dark Chanting Goshawk
*Melierax metabates mechowi*
(4) 1 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 1 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 1 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8 and 2 Bwabwata NP 5.8.

### Pale Chanting Goshawk
*Melierax canorus argentior*
(7) 1 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 12 Namibgrens 23.7, 1 Namib-Naukluft National Park 24.7, 4 Outju 27.7, 5 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 5 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7 and 10 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7.

### Shikra
*Accipiter badius polyzonoides*
(2) 1 Shamvura Woodland 2.8 and 1 Katima Mulilo 6.8.

### Little Sparrowhawk
*Accipiter minullus*
(1) 1 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7.

### African Marsh Harrier
*Circus ranivorus*
(1) 1 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

### African Fish Eagle
*Haliaeetus vocifer*
(5) 1 Avis Dam North 22.7, 1 Hakusembe River Lodge 1.8, 2 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 10 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8 and 3 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.

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### Bustards Otididae

#### Kori Bustard (NT)
*Ardeotis kori*
(4) 20 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 10 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7, 1 Etosha NP--Halali 30.7, 5 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7 and 5 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7.

#### Rüppell's Korhaan
*Eupodotis rueppelii*
(1) 28 Namib-Naukluft National Park 24.7.

Surely some kind of record?

#### Red-crested Korhaan
*Lophotis ruficrissa*

Northern Black Korhaan  
_****Afrotis afraoides****_

(6) 1 Windhoek 23.7, 1 Solitaire 24.7, 30 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 2 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7, 12 Etosha NP-- Halali 30.7 and 3 Etosha NP--Fischers Pan 31.7.

**Rails, Crakes & Coots Rallidae**

**African Rail**  
*Rallus caeruleus*

(2) 1 Rundu 1.8 and 1 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8.

**Black Crake**  
*Amaurornis flavirostra*

(4) 4 Avis Dam North 22.7, 1 heard Rundu 1.8, 1 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8 and 2 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8.

**Baillon's Crane**  
*Porzana pusilla intermedia*

(1) 1 Rundu 1.8. 
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**African Swamphen**  
*Porphyrio madagascariensis*

(2) 2 Avis Dam North 22.7 and 2 Rundu 1.8.

**Common Moorhen**  
*Gallinula chloropus meridionalis*

(2) 20 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7 and 15 Rundu 1.8.

**Red-knobbed Coot**  
*Fulica cristata*

(2) 30 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7 and 5 Rundu 1.8.

**Cranes Gruidae**

**Wattled Crane**  
*Grus carunculata*

(2) 1 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8 and 5 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8.

**Blue Crane (VU)**  
*Grus paradisea*

(1) 2 Etosha NP--Andoni Plains 31.7.

**Thick-knees Burhinidae**

**Water Thick-knee**  
*Burhinus vermiculatus vermiculatus*

(3) Up to 20 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 5-7.8.

**Spotted Thick-knee**  
*Burhinus capensis*

(3) 1 heard Namibgrens 23.7, 1 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7 and 2 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

**Oystercatchers Haematopodidae**

**African Oystercatcher (NT)**  
*Haematopus moquini*

(1) 10 Langstrand 25.7.

**Stilts and Avocets Recurvirostridae**

**Black-winged Stilt**  
*Himantopus himantopus*
(6) 50 Paaltjies 25.7, 1 Etosha-Namutoni 31.7, 4 Rundu 1.8, 2 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 2 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8 and 4 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.

**Pied Avocet**
(1) 100 Paaltjies 25.7.

**Plovers and Lapwings Charadriidae**

**Long-toed Lapwing**
(1) 6 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8.

**Blacksmith Lapwing**

**White-crowned Lapwing**
(2) 10 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8 and 1 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.

**Crowned Lapwing**
(10) 4 Namibgrens 23.7, 3 Namibgrens 24.7, 12 Outju 27.7, 3 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 2 Etosha NP--Halali 29.7, 6 Etosha NP--Halali 30.7, 5 Etosha-Namutoni 31.7, 3 Rundu 1.8, 10 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8 and 3 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 5.8.

**African Wattled Lapwing**
(1) 2 Hakusembe River Lodge 2.8.

**Grey Plover**
(1) 12 Paaltjies 25.7.

**Kittlitz's Plover**
(2) 2 Walvis Bay--Bird Sanctuary 25.7 and 2 Etosha NP--Andoni Plains 31.7.

**Three-banded Plover**
(3) 5 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 2 Etosha-Namutoni 31.7 and 2 Rundu 1.8.

**White-fronted Plover**
(1) 15 Paaltjies 25.7.

**Chestnut-banded Plover (NT)**
(1) 10 Mile 4 Salt Pans 25.7.

**Painted-Snipes Rostratulidae**

**Greater Painted-snipe**
(1) 2 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8.

**Jacanas Jacanidae**

**African Jacana**
(6) 3 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 20 Hakusembe River Lodge 1.8, 5 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 3 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8, 3 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8 and 5 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.
Sandpipers and Allies *Scolopacidae*

- **Ruddy Turnstone**
  - (1) 5 Paaltjes 25.7.
- **Curlew Sandpiper**
  - (1) 15 Paaltjes 25.7.
- **Sanderling**
  - (1) 10 Paaltjes 25.7.
- **African Snipe**
  - (2) 3 Rundu 1.8 and 1 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 4.8.
- **Wood Sandpiper**
  - (2) 1 Etosha NP--Andoni Plains 31.7 and 5 Rundu 1.8.
- **Common Greenshank**
  - (3) 3 Paaltjes 25.7, 1 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8 and 1 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

Pratincoles and Coursers *Glareolidae*

- **Double-banded Courser**
  - (4) 20 Okaukuejo Lark area 28.7, 5 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7, 5 Etosha NP--Halali 30.7 and 1 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7.
- **Collared Pratincole**
  - (1) 6 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8.

Gulls, Terns & Skimmers *Laridae*

- **African Skimmer (NT)**
  - (3) Up to 5 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 5-7.8.
- **Grey-headed Gull**
  - (2) 25 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8 and 10 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.
- **Hartlaub's Gull**
  - (1) 20 Paaltjes 25.7.
- **Kelp Gull**
  - (1) 20 Paaltjes 25.7.
- **Caspian Tern**
  - (1) 25 Paaltjes 25.7.
- **Greater Crested Tern**
  - (1) 50 Paaltjes 25.7.
- **Sandwich Tern**
  - (1) 3 Paaltjes 25.7.
- **Common Tern**
  - (1) 6 Paaltjes 25.7.
- **Whiskered Tern**
  - (1) 15 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.
### Sandgrouse *Pteroclidae*

**Namaqua Sandgrouse** *Pterocles namaqua*

(3) 5 Namib-Naukluft National Park 24.7, 30 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7 and 50 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7.

**Double-banded Sandgrouse** *Pterocles bicinctus*


**Burchell's Sandgrouse** *Pterocles burchelli*

(1) 200 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7.

### Pigeons and Doves *Columbidae*

**Rock Dove** *Columba livia var. domestica*

(4) 2 Windhoek 22.7, 2 Windhoek 23.7, 10 Walvis Bay 25.7 and 10 Erongo Mountains 26.7.

**Speckled Pigeon** *Columba guinea phaeonota*

(4) 2 Windhoek 22.7, 4 Walvis Bay 25.7, 2 Erongo Mountains 26.7 and 2 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7.

**Mourning Collared Dove** *Streptopelia decipiens ambigua*

(3) 3 Rundu 1.8, 20 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8 and 3 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

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

(8) 1 Namibgrens 24.7, 1 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 2 Hakusembe River Lodge 1.8, 20 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 15 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8, 12 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8, 5 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8 and 5 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.

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


**Laughing Dove** *Spilopelia senegalensis senegalensis*


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

(7) 2 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7, 10 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7, 6 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 6 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 2 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8, 1 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8 and 2 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

**Namaqua Dove** *Oena capensis capensis*

(15) 1 Windhoek 23.7, 10 Namibgrens 24.7, 5 Rooibank 25.7, 4 Erongo Mountains 26.7, 4 Outju 27.7, 5 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 6 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7, 3 Etosha NP-- Halali 30.7, 10 Etosha-Namutoni 31.7, 6 Rundu 1.8, 5 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 3 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8, 3 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8, 6 Katima Mulilo 6.8 and 10 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.

**African Green Pigeon** *Treron calvus*
(3) 3 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 4.8, 1 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8 and 15 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

**Turacos Musophagidae**

**Schalow's Turaco**
*Tauraco schalowi*  
(1) 2 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

**Grey Go-away-bird**
*Corythaixoides concolor*  

**Cuckoos Cuculidae**

**Coppery-tailed Coucal**
*Centropus cupreicaudus cupreicaudus*  
(3) 2 Hakusembe River Lodge 1.8, 2 Hakusembe River Lodge 2.8 and 3 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

**White-browed Coucal**
*Centropus superciliosus loandae*  
(2) 1 Rundu 1.8 and 2 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

**Barn-Owls Tytonidae**

**Western Barn Owl**
*Tyto alba poensis*  
(3) 1 heard Erongo Wilderness Lodge 26.7, 1 heard Etosha Village Lodge 27.7 and 2 Mokuti Lodge 30.7.

**Owls Strigidae**

**African Scops Owl**
*Otus senegalensis senegalensis*  
(2) 1 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7 and 3 heard Bwabwata NP--Divundu 4.8.

**Spotted Eagle-Owl**
*Bubo africanus africana*  
(1) 2 Okaukuejo Lark area 28.7.

**African Wood Owl**
*Strix woodfordii woodfordii*  
(2) 2 heard Bwabwata NP--Divundu 4.8 and 2 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8.

**Pearl-spotted Owlet**
*Glaucidium perlatum licua*  

**African Barred Owlet**
*Glaucidium capense ngamiense*  
(2) 1 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8 and 1 Katima Mulilo 6.8.

**Nightjars and Allies Caprimulgidae**

**Fiery-necked Nightjar**
*Caprimulgus pectoralis*  
(1) 2 heard Bwabwata NP--Divundu 4.8.

**Freckled Nightjar**
*Caprimulgus tristigma*  
(2) 1 heard Namibgrens 23.7 and 2 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 26.7.

**Square-tailed Nightjar**
*Caprimulgus fossii*
(4) 3 Hakusembe River Lodge 1.8, 2 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 4.8, 3 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8 and 2 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

**Swifts Apodidae**

**African Palm Swift**  
*Cypsiurus parvus*  
(8) 6 River Crossings Hotel, Windhoek 22.7, 20 Windhoek 23.7, 6 Namibgrens 24.7, 6 Outju 27.7, 15 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7, 6 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7, 15 Rundu 1.8 and 5 Bwabwata NP 5.8.

**Alpine Swift**  
*Tachymarptis melba*  
(1) 5 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7.

**Bradfield's Swift**  
*Apus bradfieldi bradfieldi*  
(3) 5 Namibgrens 23.7, 5 Solitaire 24.7 and 6 Outju 27.7.

**Little Swift**  
*Apus affinis*  
(4) 6 River Crossings Hotel, Windhoek 22.7, 5 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 5 Solitaire 24.7 and 10 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7.

**Horus Swift**  
*Apus horus horus*  
(1) 15 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

**Mousebirds Coliidae**

**White-backed Mousebird**  
*Colius colius damarensis*  
(5) 8 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 3 Windhoek 23.7, 15 Spreetshoogte Pass 24.7, 7 Spitzkoppe NR 26.7 and 5 Outju 27.7.

**Red-faced Mousebird**  
*Urocolius indicus*  
(4) 10 Rundu 1.8, 15 Hakusembe River Lodge 2.8, 10 Bwabwata NP 5.8 and 10 Katima Mulilo 6.8.

**Rollers Coraciidae**

**Purple Roller**  
*Coracias naevius mosambicus*  
(8) 1 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 1 Spreetshoogte Pass 24.7, 3 Erongo Mountains 26.7, 10 Outju 27.7, 1 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 1 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7, 1 Rundu 1.8 and 1 Bwabwata NP 5.8.

**Racket-tailed Roller**  
*Coracias spatulatus*  
(2) 3 Katima Mulilo 5.8 and 4 Katima Mulilo 6.8.

**Lilac-breasted Roller**  
*Coracias caudatus caudatus*  

**Kingfishers Alcedinidae**

**Brown-hooded Kingfisher**  
*Halcyon albibventris*  
(1) 1 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

**Striped Kingfisher**  
*Halcyon chellicuti chellicuti*  
(4) 1 Rundu 1.8, 1 Shamvura Woodland 2.8, 1 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 4.8 and 1 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8.

**Giant Kingfisher**  
*Megaceryle maxima maxima*
(3) 1 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 1 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8 and 2 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

**Pied Kingfisher**
*Ceryle rudis rudis*
(5) 1 Rundu 1.8, 15 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 6 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8, 25 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8 and 30 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.

**Bee-eaters Meropidae**

**Swallow-tailed Bee-eater**
*Merops hirundineus*
(9) 1 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 2 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 3 Erongo Mountains 26.7, 5 Etosha-Namutoni 30.7, 15 Etosha NP--Andoni Plains 31.7, 5 Rundu 1.8, 3 Shamvura Woodland 2.8, 5 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8 and 3 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 5.8.

**Little Bee-eater**
*Merops pusillus*
(5) 3 Rundu 1.8, 5 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 2 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8, 10 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8 and 10 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.

**White-fronted Bee-eater**
*Merops bullockoides*
(4) 6 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 1 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8, 15 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8 and 6 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.

**Southern Carmine Bee-eater**
*Merops nubicoides*
(3) 1 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8, 50 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8 and 200 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.

**Hoopoes Upupidae**

**African Hoopoe**
*Upupa africana*
(5) 2 Avis Dam North 22.7, 2 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 1 Khan River bridge 26.7, 1 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7 and 1 Katima Mulilo 6.8.

**Wood Hoopoes Phoeniculidae**

**Green Wood Hoopoe**
*Phoeniculus purpureus angolensis*
(3) 3 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 2.8, 5 Katima Mulilo 5.8, 6 Katima Mulilo 6.8 and up to 6 Katima Mulilo 5-5.8.

**Violet Wood Hoopoe**
*Phoeniculus damarensis*
(2) 9 Khan River bridge 27.7 and 5 Etosha NP--Halali 29.7.

**Common Scimitarbill**
*Rhinopomastus cyanomelas*
(6) 2 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 1 Khan River bridge 26.7, 3 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7, 1 Etosha NP--Halali 29.7, 2 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7 and 1 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

**Ground Hornbills Bucorvidae**

**Southern Ground Hornbill (VU)**
*Bucorvus leadbeateri*
(1) 6 Katima Mulilo 6.8.

**Hornbills Bucerotidae**

**Damara Red-billed Hornbill**
*Tockus damarensis*
(2) 1 Khan River bridge 26.7 and 2 Outju 27.7.

**Southern Red-billed Hornbill**  
*Tockus rufirostris*

(6) 1 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7, 3 Etosha NP-- Halali 30.7, 15 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 5 Rundu 1.8, 3 Katima Mulilo 6.8 and 3 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.

**Monteiro's Hornbill**  
*Tockus monteiri*

(3) 15 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 2 Spitzkoppe NR 26.7 and 5 Outju 27.7.

**Southern Yellow-billed Hornbill**  
*Tockus leucomelas leucomelas*


**Bradfield's Hornbill**  
*Lophoceros bradfieldi*

(3) 3 Rundu 1.8, 2 Shamvura Woodland 2.8 and 2 Bwabwata NP 5.8.

**African Grey Hornbill**  
*Lophoceros nasutus epirhinus*

(11) 1 heard River Crossings Hotel, Windhoek 22.7, 1 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 1 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7, 4 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7, 3 Etosha NP-- Halali 30.7, 4 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 6 Rundu 1.8, 2 Shamvura Woodland 2.8, 3 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8, 25 Bwabwata NP 5.8 and 5 Katima Mulilo 6.8.

**African Barbets Lybiidae**

**Yellow-fronted Tinkerbird**  
*Pogoniulus chrysoconus extoni*

(2) 1 Rundu 1.8 and 1 heard Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8.

**Acacia Pied Barbet**  
*Tricholaema leucomelas centralis*


**Black-collared Barbet**  
*Lybius torquatus*

(2) 1 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8 and 4 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

**Crested Barbet**  
*Trachyphonus vaillantii*

(4) 1 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 2 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8, 1 Katima Mulilo 5.8 and 2 Katima Mulilo 6.8.

**Honeyguides Indicatoridae**

**Lesser Honeyguide**  
*Indicator minor*

(1) 1 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

**Woodpeckers Picidae**

**Bennett's Woodpecker**  
*Campethera bennettii*

(1) 1 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8.

**Golden-tailed Woodpecker**  
*Campethera abingoni*

(1) 1 heard Hakusembe River Lodge 1.8.

**Bearded Woodpecker**  
*Chloropicus namaquus namaquus*

(2) 1 Avis Dam North 22.7 and 1 Hakusembe River Lodge 2.8.
Cardinal Woodpecker  
*Dendropicos fuscuscsens*  
(2) 1 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7 and 3 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

**Falcons and Caracaras**  
*Falconidae*

**Pygmy Falcon**  
*Polihierax semitorquatus semitorquatus*  
(2) 2 Spreetshoogte Pass 24.7 and 1 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7.

**Rock Kestrel**  
*Falco rupicolus*  
(4) 1 Avis Dam North 22.7, 1 Khan River bridge 26.7, 2 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7 and 1 Etosha-Namutoni 30.7.

**Greater Kestrel**  
*Falco rupicoloides rupicoloides*  
(5) 1 Namib-Naukluft National Park 24.7, 1 Spitzkoppe NR 26.7, 2 Okaukuejo Lark area 28.7, 2 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7 and 2 Etosha NP-- Halali 30.7.

**Red-necked Falcon (NT)**  
*Falco chicquera*  
(2) 1 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7 and 3 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7.

**Lanner Falcon**  
*Falco biarmicus biarmicus*  
(1) 1 Shamvura Woodland 2.8.

**Peregrine Falcon**  
*Falco peregrinus minor*  
(1) 1 Spreetshoogte Pass 24.7.

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

**Meyer's Parrot**  
*Poicephalus meyeri*  
(4) 1 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8, 10 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8, 2 Katima Mulilo 6.8 and 5 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.

**Rüppell's Parrot**  
*Poicephalus rueppellii*  
(1) 10 Khan River bridge 26.7.

**Old World Parrots**  
*Psittaculidae*

**Rosy-faced Lovebird**  
*Agapornis roseicollis roseicollis*  
(3) 3 Windhoek--Airport 22.7, 50 Erongo Mountains 26.7 and 150 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7.

**Wattle-eyes, Batises**  
*Platysteiridae*

**Chinspot Batis**  
*Batis molitor*  
(1) 3 Katima Mulilo 6.8.

**Pirit Batis**  
*Batis pririt affinis*  
(5) 2 Avis Dam North 22.7, 3 Namibgrens 23.7, 2 Spitzkoppe NR 26.7, 2 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7 and 1 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7.

**White-tailed Shrike**  
*Lanioturdus torquatus*  
(3) 6 Namibgrens 24.7, 2 Erongo Mountains 26.7 and 4 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7.

**Helmetshrikes and Allies**  
*Prionopidae*

**White-crested Helmetshrike**  
*Prionops plumatus*
(7) 6 Outju 27.7, 20 Etosha NP--Halali 29.7, 6 Mokuti Lodge 30.7, 12 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 2.8, 20 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8, 10 Katima Mulilo 5.8 and 10 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

**Bushshrikes and Allies Malaconotidae**

**Orange-breasted Bushshrike** *Chlorophoneus sulphureopectus similis*
(3) 1 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8, 2 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8 and 2 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

**Bokmakierie** *Telophorus zeylonus*
(2) 2 heard Namibgrens 23.7 and 2 Spreetshoogte Pass 24.7.

**Brown-crowned Tchagra** *Tchagra australis*
(8) 1 heard River Crossings Hotel, Windhoek 22.7, 1 Khan River bridge 26.7, 1 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7, 2 Etosha Village Lodge 28.7, 1 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7, 3 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 1 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8 and 1 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 5.8.

**Black-backed Puffback** *Dryoscopus cubla*
(6) 2 Khan River bridge 26.7, 1 Rundu 1.8, 1 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 2 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8, 1 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8 and 2 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

**Swamp Boubou** *Laniarius bicolor sticturus*
(4) 2 Rundu 1.8, 3 Hakusembe River Lodge 2.8, 3 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8 and 5 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

**Crimson-breasted Shrike** *Laniarius atrococcineus*

**Brubru** *Nilaus afer*
(8) 1 River Crossings Hotel, Windhoek 22.7, 1 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 2 Khan River bridge 26.7, 3 Outju 27.7, 4 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 1 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 1 Shamvura Woodland 2.8 and 1 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

**Shrikes Laniidae**

**Magpie Shrike** *Urolestes melanoleucus*
(3) 5 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 2.8, 3 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8 and 2 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

**Southern White-crowned Shrike** *Eurocephalus anguitimens anguitimens*
(8) 1 Khan River bridge 26.7, 3 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 3 Etosha NP--Halali 29.7, 3 Etosha NP--Halali 30.7, 5 Rundu 1.8, 1 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 2.8, 2 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 4.8 and 3 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 5.8.

**Souza's Shrike** *Lanius souzae*
(1) 2 Shamvura Woodland 2.8.
An unbelievable sighting!

**Southern Fiscal** *Lanius collaris*
Old World Orioles *Oriolidae*

**Black-headed Oriole** *Oriolus larvatus*
(1) 1 heard Katima Mulilo 6.8.

Drongos *Dicruridae*

**Fork-tailed Drongo** *Dicrurus adsimilis*

Crows, Jays, and Magpies *Corvidae*

**Cape Crow** *Corvus capensis capensis*
(3) 4 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 3 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7 and 4 Etosha NP-- Halali 30.7.

**Pied Crow** *Corvus albus*

Tits, Chickadees *Paridae*

**Southern Black Tit** *Melaniparus niger*
(3) 3 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 2 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8 and 3 Katima Mulilo 6.8.

**Carp's Tit** *Melaniparus carpi*
(3) 2 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7, 3 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7 and 1 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7.

**Rufous-bellied Tit** *Melaniparus rufiventris*
(1) 3 Rundu 1.8.

**Ashy Tit** *Melaniparus cinerascens*
(3) 2 Avis Dam North 22.7, 1 Erongo Mountains 26.7 and 1 Outju 27.7.

Penduline-Tits *Remizidae*

**Cape Penduline Tit** *Anthoscopus minutus*
(1) 3 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7.

Larks *Alaudidae*

**Spike-heeled Lark** *Chersomanes albofasciata*
(3) 3 Namibrens 23.7, 15 Okaukuejo Lark area 28.7 and 1 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7.

**Gray's Lark** *Ammomanopsis grayi*
(2) 3 Namib-Naukluft National Park 24.7 and 2 Mile 4 Salt Pans 25.7.

**Chestnut-backed Sparrow-Lark** *Eremopterix leucotis*
(1) 10 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7.

**Grey-backed Sparrow-Lark** *Eremopterix verticalis*
Sabota Lark  
*Calendulauda sabota*

Fawn-colored Lark  
*Calendulauda africanaoides*
(3) 1 Spitzkoppe NR 26.7, 1 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7 and 1 Rundu 1.8.

Dune Lark  
*Calendulauda erythrochlamys*
(1) 5 Rooibank 25.7.

What an awesome bird!

Eastern Clapper Lark  
*Mirafra fasciolata*
(2) 3 Okaukuejo Lark area 28.7 and 1 Etosha NP--Andoni Plains 31.7.

Rufous-naped Lark  
*Mirafra africana*
(1) 1 Etosha NP--Andoni Plains 31.7.

Pink-billed Lark  
*Spizocorys conirostris*
(2) 10 Okaukuejo Lark area 28.7 and 25 Etosha NP--Andoni Plains 31.7.

Red-capped Lark  
*Calandrella cinerea*
(3) 20 Okaukuejo Lark area 28.7, 20 Etosha NP--Halali 30.7 and 50 Etosha NP--Andoni Plains 31.7.

Bulbuls *Pycnonotidae*

African Red-eyed Bulbul  
*Pycnonotus nigricans nigricans*

Dark-capped Bulbul  
*Pycnonotus tricolor*
(4) 3 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 10 Bwabwata NP 5.8, 5 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8 and 4 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.

Yellow-bellied Greenbul  
*Chlorocichla flaviventris occidentalis*
(3) 1 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 1 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 5.8 and 3 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

Terrestrial Brownbul  
*Phyllastrephus terrestris*
(3) 2 heard Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8, 2 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8 and 5 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

Swallows *Hirundinidae*

Grey-rumped Swallow  
*Pseudhirundo griseopyga griseopyga*
(2) 15 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8 and 10 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8.

Brown-throated Martin  
*Riparia paludicola paludicola*
(3) 3 Hakusembe River Lodge 1.8, 3 Hakusembe River Lodge 2.8 and 6 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

White-throated Swallow  
*Hirundo albicularis*
(1) 1 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7.

Wire-tailed Swallow  
*Hirundo smithii smithii*
(3) 6 Hakusembe River Lodge 1.8, 15 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8 and 10 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.
Pearl-breasted Swallow  
*Hirundo dimidiata*  
(2) 2 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7 and 1 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8.

Rock Martin  
*Pyonoprogne fuligula*  

Lesser Striped Swallow  
*Cecropis abyssinica*  
(4) 2 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 15 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8, 30 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8 and 15 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.

Red-breasted Swallow  
*Cecropis semirufa semirufa*  
(7) 1 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7, 3 Rundu 1.8, 2 Hakusembe River Lodge 2.8, 1 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8 and up to 6 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 5-7.8.

Mosque Swallow  
*Cecropis senegalensis monteiri*  
(1) 1 Rundu 2.8.

**Crombecs, African warblers *Macrospheinidae***

Rockrunner  
*Achaetops pycnopygius pycnopygius*  
(3) 3 Avis Dam North 22.7, 1 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7 and 1 Namibgrens 24.7.

Long-billed Crombec  
*Sylvietta rufescens*  

**Reed warblers and allies *Acrocephalidae***

Lesser Swamp Warbler  
*Acrocephalus gracilirostris*  
(2) 1 heard Gammam Water Care Works 22.7 and 2 Rundu 1.8.

Little Rush Warbler  
*Bradypterus baboecala*  
(1) 1 Rundu 1.8.

**Grassbirds and allies *Locustellidae***

Rattling Cisticola  
*Cisticola chiniana*  
(8) 2 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 3 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7, 10 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 5 Rundu 1.8, 6 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 3 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8, 4 Bwabwata NP 5.8 and 2 heard Katima Mulilo 6.8.

Grey-backed Cisticola  
*Cisticola subruficapilla*  
(1) 2 Avis Dam North 22.7.

Luapula Cisticola  
*Cisticola luapula*  
(1) 1 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8.

Neddicky  
*Cisticola fulvicapilla*  
(1) 1 Etosha NP--Halali 29.7.
Zitting Cisticola  
*Cisticola juncidis terrestris*  
(4) 5 Avis Dam North 22.7, 1 Rundu 1.8, 1 heard Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8 and 1 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8.

Desert Cisticola  
*Cisticola aridulus*  
(3) 5 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 5 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7 and 15 Etosha NP--Andoni Plains 31.7.

Black-chested Prinia  
*Prinia flavicans*  

Yellow-breasted Apalis  
*Apalis flavida*  
(2) 1 Etosha NP--Halali 29.7 and 1 heard Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

Rufous-eared Warbler  
*Malcors pectoralis*  
(3) 1 Namibgrens 23.7, 1 heard Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7 and 2 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7.

Grey-backed Camaroptera  
*Camaroptera brevicaudata*  
(5) 1 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7, 1 heard Mokuti Lodge 30.7, 2 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8, 2 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8 and 10 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

Barred Wren-Warbler  
*Calamonastes fasciolatus*  
(3) 1 River Crossings Hotel, Windhoek 22.7, 1 heard Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7 and 1 Mokuti Lodge 30.7.

Yellow-bellied Eremomela  
*Eremomela icteropygialis*  
(8) 2 Avis Dam North 22.7, 1 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 1 Spreetshoogte Pass 24.7, 6+3 heard Erongo Mountains 26.7, 1 Etosha Village Lodge 27.7, 6 Etosha NP--Halali 29.7, 1 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7 and 1 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7.

Green-capped Eremomela  
*Eremomela scotops pulchra*  
(1) 3 Rundu 1.8.

Burnt-necked Eremomela  
*Eremomela usticollis*  
(4) 4 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 1 heard Khan River bridge 26.7, 3 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7 and 3 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8.

**Laughingthrushes**  
*Leiothrichidae*

Black-faced Babbler  
*Turdoides melanops*  
(1) 4 Mokuti Lodge 30.7.

Arrow-marked Babbler  
*Turdoides jardineii*  
(1) 3 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8.

Hartlaub's Babbler  
*Turdoides hartlaubii*  
(5) 5 Rundu 1.8, 5 Hakusembe River Lodge 2.8, 5 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8, 6 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8 and 15 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

Southern Pied Babbler  
*Turdoides bicolor*  
(2) 6 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7 and 3 Rundu 1.8.

Bare-cheeked Babbler  
*Turdoides gymnogenys kaokensis*  
(3) 7 Etosha Village Lodge 27.7, 7 Etosha Village Lodge 28.7 and 1 Etosha NP--Halali 29.7.
**Sylviid Babblers Sylviidae**

**Chestnut-vented Warbler**  
*Sylvia subcoerulea*  

**Layard's Warbler**  
*Sylvia layardi aridicola*  
(2) 2 Spreetshoogte Pass 24.7 and 1 heard Spitzkoppe NR 26.7.

**White-eyes Zosteropidae**

**Orange River White-eye**  
*Zosterops pallidus*  
(1) 1 Walvis Bay 25.7.

**African Yellow White-eye**  
*Zosterops senegalensis*  
(4) 1 heard Hakusembe River Lodge 1.8, 5 heard Hakusembe River Lodge 2.8, 5 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8 and 3 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8.

**Starlings Sturnidae**

**Wattled Starling**  
*Creatophora cinerea*  
(3) 10000 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 30 Rundu 1.8 and 12 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8.

**Cape Starling**  
*Lamprotornis nitens*  

**Greater Blue-eared Starling**  
*Lamprotornis chalybeus nordmanni*  
(2) 2 Etosha NP--Halali 29.7 and 6 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8.

**Meves's Starling**  
*Lamprotornis mevesii*  
(2) 10 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8 and 20 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8.

**Burchell's Starling**  
*Lamprotornis australis*  
(8) 1 Khan River bridge 26.7, 1 Etosha-Namutoni 31.7, 5 Rundu 1.8, 25 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 6 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8, 250 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8, 5 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8 and 25 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.

**Violet-backed Starling**  
*Cinnyricinclus leucogaster verreauxi*  
(1) 2 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8.

**Pale-winged Starling**  
*Onychognathus nabouroup*  
(4) 4 River Crossings Hotel, Windhoek 22.7, 15 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 30 Spitzkoppe NR 26.7 and 15 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7.

**Oxpeckers Buphagidae**

**Yellow-billed Oxpecker**  
*Buphagus africanus africanus*  
(2) 3 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8 and 6 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8.

**Red-billed Oxpecker**  
*Buphagus erythrorhynchus*  
(2) 25 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8 and 1 Katima Mulilo 5.8.
Thrushes and Allies *Turdidae*

**Groundscraper Thrush**  
*Turdus litsitisirupa*  
(8) 4 Outju 27.7, 1 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 1 Rundu 1.8, 5 Shamvura Woodland 2.8, 2 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8, 3 Bwabwata NP 5.8, 2 Katima Mulilo 6.8 and 2 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.

**Kurrichane Thrush**  
*Turdus libonyana*  
(1) 3 Hakusembe River Lodge 2.8.

**Chats, Old World Flycatchers *Muscicapidae***

**Karoo Scrub Robin**  
*Cercotrichas coryphoeus*  
(1) 4 Namibgrens 24.7.

**Kalahari Scrub Robin**  
*Cercotrichas paena*  
(5) 1 River Crossings Hotel, Windhoek 22.7, 3 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 4 Erongo Mountains 26.7, 3 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7 and 10 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7.

**White-browed Scrub Robin**  
*Cercotrichas leucophrys*  
(4) 1 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7, 1 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7, 1 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7 and 1 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8.

**Grey Tit-Flycatcher**  
*Myioparus plumbeus catoleucus*  
(1) 2 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

**Southern Black Flycatcher**  
*Melaenornis pammelaina diabolicus*  
(1) 1 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8.

**Pale Flycatcher**  
*Melaenornis pallidus*  
(3) 6 Rundu 1.8, 2 Shamvura Woodland 2.8 and 3 Bwabwata NP 5.8.

**Chat Flycatcher**  
*Melaenornis infuscatus*  
(3) 4 Spreetshoogte Pass 24.7, 3 Spitzkoppe NR 26.7 and 10 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7.

**Marico Flycatcher**  
*Melaenornis mariquensis*  

**Ashy Flycatcher**  
*Muscicapa caeruleascens impavida*  
(1) 2 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8.

**White-browed Robin-Chat**  
*Cossypha heuglini heuglini*  
(3) 1 Hakusembe River Lodge 2.8, 2 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8 and 6 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

**Short-toed Rock Thrush**  
*Monticola brevipes*  
(3) 2 River Crossings Hotel, Windhoek 22.7, 1 River Crossings Hotel, Windhoek 23.7 and 1 Erongo Mountains 26.7.

**Karoo Chat**  
*Emarginata schlegelii*  
(2) 5 Namib-Naukluft National Park 24.7 and 3 Spitzkoppe NR 26.7.

**Tractrac Chat**  
*Emarginata tractrac*  
(2) 3 Namib-Naukluft National Park 24.7 and 1 Spitzkoppe NR 26.7.

**Ant-eating Chat**  
*Myrmecocichla formicivora*

**Mountain Wheatear**  *Myrmecocichla monticola*
(3) 2 Avis Dam North 22.7, 1 Namibgrens 23.7 and 4 Spreetshoogte Pass 24.7.

**Capped Wheatear**  *Oenanthe pileata*
(1) 1 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7.

**Familiar Chat**  *Oenanthe familiaris*
(6) 2 River Crossings Hotel, Windhoek 22.7, 3 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 2 Spreetshoogte Pass 24.7, 1 Rooibank 25.7, 2 Spitzkoppe NR 26.7 and 2 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7.

**Herero Chat**  *Namibornis herero*
(1) 2 Spitzkoppe NR 26.7.

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**Sunbirds and Spiderhunters Nectariniidae**

**Scarlet-chested Sunbird**  *Chalcomitra senegalensis*
(2) 1 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7 and 1 Namibgrens 24.7.

**Marico Sunbird**  *Cinnyris mariquensis*
(6) 5 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 1 Namibgrens 24.7, 1 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 2 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8, 3 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8 and 5 heard Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

**Shelley's Sunbird**  *Cinnyris shelleyi*
(1) 2 Shamvura Woodland 2.8.

Just WOW!

**White-bellied Sunbird**  *Cinnyris talatala*
(6) 2 Khan River bridge 26.7, 1 Rundu 1.8, 1 Shamvura Woodland 2.8, 1 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8, 3 Bwabwata NP 5.8 and 5 Katima Mulilo 6.8.

**Dusky Sunbird**  *Cinnyris fuscus fuscus*
(3) 2 Namib-Naukluft National Park 24.7, 4 Rooibank 25.7 and 1 Spitzkoppe NR 26.7.

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**Old World Sparrows Passeridae**

**House Sparrow**  *Passer domesticus*
(3) 6 River Crossings Hotel, Windhoek 22.7, 4 River Crossings Hotel, Windhoek 23.7 and 8 Solitaire 24.7.

**Great Sparrow**  *Passer motitensis*

**Cape Sparrow**  *Passer melanurus damarensis*
(1) 20 Rooibank 25.7.

**Southern Grey-headed Sparrow**  *Passer diffusus*
(9) 4 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 6 Etosha Village Lodge 27.7, 6 Etosha NP--Halali 29.7, 6 Etosha-Namutoni 30.7, 15 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 5 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 2.8, 5 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8, 3 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8 and 3 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.
### Yellow-throated Petronia
*Gymnoris superciliaris*

(1) 4 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8.

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### Weavers, Widowbirds *Ploceidae*

#### Red-billed Buffalo Weaver
*Bubalornis niger niger*

(1) 2 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8.

#### White-browed Sparrow-Weaver
*Plocepasser mahali*

(9) 20 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 10 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 15 Spitzkoppe NR 26.7, 8 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7, 5 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 10 Etosha NP--Halali 29.7, 10 Etosha-Namutoni 31.7, 5 Rundu 1.8 and 6 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8.

#### Sociable Weaver
*Philetairus socius*


#### Scaly-feathered Weaver
*Sporopipes squamifrons*


#### Holub's Golden Weaver
*Ploceus xanthops*

(1) 2 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8.

#### Southern Brown-throated Weaver
*Ploceus xanthopterus castaneigula*

(1) 25 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

#### Lesser Masked Weaver
*Ploceus intermedius cabanisii*

(1) 5 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8.

#### Southern Masked Weaver
*Ploceus velatus*

(8) 20 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 6 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 9 Namibgrens 24.7, 5 Rooibank 25.7, 4 Erongo Mountains 26.7, 6 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7, 10 Etosha-Namutoni 30.7 and 100 Etosha-Namutoni 31.7.

#### Chestnut Weaver
*Ploceus rubiginosus trothae*

(3) 15 Etosha Village Lodge 27.7, 15 Outuj 27.7, 1 Etosha--Namutoni 30.7 and 150 Etosha--Namutoni 31.7.

#### Red-headed Weaver
*Anaplectes rubriceps*

(3) 1 Rundu 1.8, 1 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 5.8 and 1 Katima Mulilo 6.8.

#### Red-billed Quelea
*Quelea quelea lathamii*


#### Southern Red Bishop
*Euplectes orix*

(2) 5 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7 and 15 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

#### Fan-tailed Widowbird
*Euplectes axillaris*

(1) 1 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8.
**Waxbills, Munias and allies *Estrildidae***

**Green-winged Pytilia**
*Pytilia melba*

**Red-headed Finch**
*Amadina erythrocephala*

**Brown Firefinch**
*Lagonosticta nitidula*
(1) 8 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

**Red-billed Firefinch**
*Lagonosticta senegala*
(4) 5 Rundu 1.8, 50 Katima Mulilo 5.8, 30 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8 and 150 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.

**Jameson's Firefinch**
*Lagonosticta rhodopareia*
(1) 2 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

**Blue Waxbill**
*Uraeginthus angolensis*
(10) 3 River Crossings Hotel, Windhoek 22.7, 5 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 5 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7, 5 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 10 Rundu 1.8, 5 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 15 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8, 3 Katima Mulilo 5.8, 12 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8 and 10 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.

**Violet-eared Waxbill**
*Uraeginthus granatinus*

**Common Waxbill**
*Estrilda astrild*
(3) 5 Avis Dam North 22.7, 1 heard Walvis Bay 25.7 and 6 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

**Black-faced Waxbill**
*Estrilda erythronotos erythronotos*
(6) 6 River Crossings Hotel, Windhoek 22.7, 7 Namibgrens 23.7, 3 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 6 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 10 Rundu 1.8 and 7 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8.

**Quailfinch**
*Ortygospiza atricollis*
(1) 1 heard Rundu 1.8.

**Indigobirds *Viduidae***

**Pin-tailed Whydah**
*Vidua macroura*
(1) 2 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.

**Shaft-tailed Whydah**
*Vidua regia*

**Long-tailed Paradise Whydah**
*Vidua paradisae*
(1) 1 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7.

**Wagtails, Pipits Motacillidae**

**Cape Wagtail** *Motacilla capensis*
(7) 1 River Crossings Hotel, Windhoek 22.7, 2 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 2 Namibgrens 24.7, 5 Paaltjies 25.7, 2 Hakusembe River Lodge 2.8, 3 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8 and 3 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8.

**African Pied Wagtail** *Motacilla aguimp*
(2) 1 River Crossings Hotel, Windhoek 22.7 and 3 Zambesi Mubala Lodge 5.8.

**African Pipit** *Anthus cinnamomeus*
(5) 1 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 1 Rundu 1.8, 1 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 3 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8 and 1 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8.

**Long-billed Pipit** *Anthus similis*
(1) 1 Namibgrens 24.7.

**Plain-backed Pipit** *Anthus leucophrys*
(1) 1 Zambesi Mubala Lodge 5.8.

**Finches Fringillidae**

**Black-throated Canary** *Crithagra atrogularis*

**Yellow-fronted Canary** *Crithagra mozambica*
(3) 15 Rundu 1.8, 5 Shamvura Woodland 2.8 and 2 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8.

**Yellow Canary** *Crithagra flaviventris*
(2) 2 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7 and 1 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7.

**White-throated Canary** *Crithagra albogularis*
(2) 1 Namibgrens 23.7 and 1 Spitzkoppe NR 26.7.

**Buntings, New World Sparrows and allies Emberizidae**

**Lark-like Bunting** *Emberiza impetuani impetuani*
(4) 1 Namibgrens 23.7, 80 Namibgrens 24.7, 15 Erongo Mountains 26.7 and 3 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7.

**Cinnamon-breasted Bunting** *Emberiza tahapisi*
(3) 3 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 3 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7 and 1 Etosha Village Lodge 28.7.

**Cape Bunting** *Emberiza capensis*
(3) 1 heard Spreetshoogte Pass 24.7, 2 Spitzkoppe NR 26.7 and 2 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7.

**Golden-breasted Bunting** *Emberiza flaviventris*
(9) 1 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 1 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7, 1 Etosha NP--Halali 29.7, 1 Etosha NP--Halali 30.7, 1 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 1 Rundu 1.8, 1 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 2 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8 and 3 Bwabwata NP 5.8.

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**Ducks, Geese & Swans Anatidae**

*White-faced Whistling Duck*  
*Dendrocygna viduata*  
(3) 200 Xaro Lodge 3.8, 150 Xaro Lodge 4.8 and 30 Chobe NP--Ngoma Bridge area 7.8.

*Spur-winged Goose*  
*Plectropterus gambensis*  
(2) 20 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 150 Chobe NP--Ngoma Bridge area 7.8.

*Knob-billed Duck*  
*Sarkidiornis melanotos*  
(2) 15 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 5 Chobe NP--Ngoma Bridge area 7.8.

*Egyptian Goose*  
*Alopochen aegyptiaca*  
(2) 5 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 3 Chobe NP--Ngoma Bridge area 7.8.

*African Pygmy Goose*  
*Nettapus auritus*  
(2) 3 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 3 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

*Red-billed Teal*  
*Anas erythrorhyncha*  
(2) 5 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 15 Chobe NP--Ngoma Bridge area 7.8.

**Pheasants, Grouse, and Allies Phasianidae**

*Red-billed Spurfowl*  
*Pternistis adspersus*  
(1) 6 Xaro Lodge 3.8.

**Storks Ciconiidae**

*Yellow-billed Stork*  
*Mycteria ibis*  
(2) 15 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 15 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

*African Openbill*  
*Anastomus lamelligerus lamelligerus*  
(1) 150 Chobe NP--Kasane, North-West District 7.8.

**Ibis, Spoonbills Threskiornithidae**

*African Sacred Ibis*  
*Threskiornis aethiopicus*  
(1) 6 Xaro Lodge 3.8.

*Glossy Ibis*  
*Plegadis falcinellus*  
(2) 3 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 2 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

*African Spoonbill*  
*Platalea alba*  
(1) 5 Chobe NP--Ngoma Bridge area 7.8.

**Herons, Egrets, and Bitterns Ardeidae**

*Little Bittern*  
*Ixobrychus minutus payesii*  
(1) 4 Xaro Lodge 3.8.

*White-backed Night Heron*  
*Gorsachius leuconotus*  
(1) 1 Xaro Lodge 3.8.

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*Striated Heron*  
*Butorides striata atricapilla*  
(2) 10 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 6 Xaro Lodge 4.8.
Squacco Heron *Ardeola ralloides*  
(3) 100 Xaro Lodge 3.8, 150 Xaro Lodge 4.8 and 1 Chobe NP--Kasane, North-West District 7.8.

Western Cattle Egret *Bubulcus ibis*  
(2) 20 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 6 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

Grey Heron *Ardea cinerea cinerea*  
(2) 3 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 1 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

Black-headed Heron *Ardea melanocephala*  
(1) 1 Xaro Lodge 3.8.

Goliath Heron *Ardea goliath*  
(2) 5 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 2 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

Purple Heron *Ardea purpurea purpurea*  
(2) 1 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 1 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

Great Egret *Ardea alba melanorhynchos*  
(2) 3 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 1 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

Intermediate Egret *Ardea intermedia brachyrhyncha*  
(2) 2 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 1 Chobe NP--Ngoma Bridge area 7.8.

Black Heron *Egretta ardesiaca*  
(2) 1 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 1 Chobe NP--Ngoma Bridge area 7.8.

Slaty Egret (VU) *Egretta vinaceigula*  
(1) 2 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

Little Egret *Egretta garzetta garzetta*  
(3) 15 Xaro Lodge 3.8, 5 Xaro Lodge 4.8 and 6 Chobe NP--Ngoma Bridge area 7.8.

**Hamerkop Scopidae**  
Hamerkop *Scopus umbretta umbretta*  
(2) 2 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 3 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

**Cormorants and Shags Phalacrocoracidae**  
Reed Cormorant *Microcarbo africanus africanus*  
(2) 20 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 30 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

**Anhingas Anhingidae**  
African Darter *Anhinga rufa rufa*  
(2) 25 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 30 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

**Kites, Hawks & Eagles Accipitridae**  
Black-winged Kite *Elanus caeruleus caeruleus*  
(2) 5 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 1 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

White-backed Vulture (NT) *Gyps africanus*  
(1) 15 Chobe NP--Ngoma Bridge area 7.8.

Bateleur (NT) *Terathopius ecaudatus*  
(2) 2 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 5 Chobe NP--Ngoma Bridge area 7.8.
Gabar Goshawk  
(1) 1 Xaro Lodge 3.8.  
*Micronisus gabar*

African Marsh Harrier  
(2) 3 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 2 Xaro Lodge 4.8.  
*Circus ranivorus*

African Fish Eagle  
(2) 10 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 15 Xaro Lodge 4.8.  
*Haliaeetus vocifer*

Flufftails *Sarothuridae*

Red-chested Flufftail  
(1) 1 heard Xaro Lodge 3.8.  
*Sarothrura rufa elizabethae*

Rails, Crakes & Coots *Rallidae*

African Rail  
(2) 1 heard Xaro Lodge 2.8 and 1 heard Xaro Lodge 3.8.  
*Rallus caerulescens*

Black Crake  
(2) 3 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 4 Xaro Lodge 4.8.  
*Amaurornis flavirostra*

Thick-knees *Burhinidae*

Water Thick-knee  
(3) Up to 6 Xaro Lodge 2-4.8.  
*Burhinus vermiculatus vermiculatus*

Stilts and Avocets *Recurvirostridae*

Black-winged Stilt  
(1) 1 Xaro Lodge 3.8.  
*Himantopus himantopus*

Plovers and Lapwings *Charadriidae*

Long-toed Lapwing  
(2) 6 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 15 Xaro Lodge 4.8.  
*Vanellus crassirostris leucopterus*

Blacksmith Lapwing  
(3) 3 Xaro Lodge 3.8, 20 Xaro Lodge 4.8 and 3 Chobe NP--Ngoma Bridge area 7.8.  
*Vanellus armatus*

Crowned Lapwing  
(2) 3 Shakawe 2.8 and 2 Chobe NP--Ngoma Bridge area 7.8.  
*Vanellus coronatus*

African Wattled Lapwing  
(1) 1 Xaro Lodge 3.8.  
*Vanellus senegallus lateralis*

Jacanas *Jacanidae*

Lesser Jacana  
(2) 2 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 4 Xaro Lodge 4.8.  
*Microparra capensis*

African Jacana  
(2) 10 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 6 Xaro Lodge 4.8.  
*Actophilornis africanus*
Sandpipers and Allies *Scolopacidae*

**Common Sandpiper**
*Actitis hypoleucos*
(1) 1 Xaro Lodge 3.8.

Pratincoles and Coursers *Glareolidae*

**Collared Pratincole**
*Glareola pratincola fuelleborni*
(2) 300 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 20 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

Gulls, Terns & Skimmers *Laridae*

**African Skimmer (NT)**
*Rynchops flavirostris*
(3) Up to 10 Xaro Lodge 2-4.8.

**Whiskered Tern**
*Chlidonias hybrida*
(1) 15 Chobe NP--Ngoma Bridge area 7.8.

**White-winged Tern**
*Chlidonias leucopterus*
(1) 1 Xaro Lodge 3.8.

Pigeons and Doves *Columbidae*

**Mourning Collared Dove**
*Streptopelia decipiens ambigua*
(2) 2 Xaro Lodge 4.8 and 5 Chobe NP--Ngoma Bridge area 7.8.

**Red-eyed Dove**
*Streptopelia semitorquata*
(1) 6 Xaro Lodge 3.8.

**Laughing Dove**
*Spilopelia senegalensis senegalensis*
(2) 1 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 3 Shakawe 4.8.

**Emerald-spotted Wood Dove**
*Turtur chalcospilos*
(1) 3 Xaro Lodge 3.8.

**African Green Pigeon**
*Treron calvus*
(2) 4 Shakawe 2.8 and 2 Xaro Lodge 3.8.

Turacos *Musophagidae*

**Schalow's Turaco**
*Tauraco schalowi*
(1) 1 Chobe NP--Kasane, North-West District 7.8.

**Grey Go-away-bird**
*Corythaixoides concolor*
(2) 5 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 5 Chobe NP--Ngoma Bridge area 7.8.

Cuckoos *Cuculidae*

**Coppery-tailed Coucal**
*Centropus cupreicaudus cupreicaudus*
(3) 5 Xaro Lodge 3.8, 4 Xaro Lodge 4.8 and 1 Chobe NP--Ngoma Bridge area 7.8.

**White-browed Coucal**
*Centropus superciliosus loandae*
(1) 1 Xaro Lodge 3.8.

Owls *Strigidae*

**Pel's Fishing Owl**
*Scotopelia peli*
(1) 2 Xaro Lodge 3.8.
**African Wood Owl**  
*Strix woodfordii woodfordii*
(1) 2 Xaro Lodge 3.8.

**Nightjars and Allies Caprimulgidae**

**Fiery-necked Nightjar**  
*Caprimulgus pectoralis*
(1) 1 heard Xaro Lodge 3.8.

**Swifts Apodidae**

**African Palm Swift**  
*Cypsiurus parvus*
(2) 5 Shakawe 2.8 and 10 Chobe NP--Kasane, North-West District 7.8.

**Mousebirds Coliidae**

**Red-faced Mousebird**  
*Urocolius indicus*
(3) 10 Xaro Lodge 3.8, 15 Xaro Lodge 4.8 and 15 Chobe NP--Ngoma Bridge area 7.8.

**Rollers Coraciidae**

**Purple Roller**  
*Coracias naevius mosambicus*
(2) 1 Shakawe 4.8 and 2 Chobe NP--Ngoma Bridge area 7.8.

**Lilac-breasted Roller**  
*Coracias caudatus caudatus*
(3) 1 Xaro Lodge 3.8, 15 Shakawe 4.8 and 10 Chobe NP--Ngoma Bridge area 7.8.

**Kingfishers Alcedinidae**

**Malachite Kingfisher**  
*Corythornis cristatus*
(2) 20 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 6 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

**Giant Kingfisher**  
*Megaceryle maxima maxima*
(2) 6 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 4 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

**Pied Kingfisher**  
*Ceryle rudis rudis*
(2) 30 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 25 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

**Bee-eaters Meropidae**

**Swallow-tailed Bee-eater**  
*Merops hirundineus*
(1) 2 Chobe NP--Ngoma Bridge area 7.8.

**Little Bee-eater**  
*Merops pusillus*
(2) 10 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 10 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

**White-fronted Bee-eater**  
*Merops bullockoides*
(2) 2 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 15 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

**Hoopoes Upupidae**

**African Hoopoe**  
*Upupa africana*
(2) 2 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 1 Xaro Lodge 4.8.
Green Wood Hoopoe  
*(Phoeniculus purpureus angolensis)*
(2) Up to 8 Xaro Lodge 3-4.8.

**Wood Hoopoes Phoeniculidae**

Bradfield's Hornbill  
*(Lophoceros bradfieldi)*
(1) 3 Shakawe 4.8.

**Hornbills Bucerotidae**

African Grey Hornbill  
*(Lophoceros nasutus epirhinus)*
(2) 3 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 10 Chobe NP--Ngoma Bridge area 7.8.

**African Barbets Lybiidae**

Yellow-fronted Tinkerbird  
*(Pogoniulus chrysoconus extoni)*
(1) 2 heard Xaro Lodge 3.8.

Black-collared Barbet  
*(Lybius torquatus)*
(2) 1 heard Shakawe 2.8 and 4 Xaro Lodge 3.8.

Crested Barbet  
*(Trachyphonus vaillantii)*
(1) 1 Xaro Lodge 3.8.

**Woodpeckers Picidae**

Golden-tailed Woodpecker  
*(Campethera abingoni)*
(2) 2 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 1 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

Cardinal Woodpecker  
*(Dendropicos fuscescens)*
(2) 1 heard Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 1 heard Xaro Lodge 4.8.

**African & New World Parrots Psittacidae**

Meyer's Parrot  
*(Poicephalus meyeri)*
(1) 2 Shakawe 2.8.

**Helmetshrikes and Allies Prionopidae**

White-crested Helmetshrike  
*(Prionops plumatus)*
(1) 10 Xaro Lodge 3.8.

Retz's Helmetshrike  
*(Prionops retzii)*
(1) 15 Xaro Lodge 3.8.

**Bushshrikes and Allies Malaconotidae**

Brown-crowned Tchagra  
*(Tchagra australis)*
(1) 1 Xaro Lodge 3.8.

Black-backed Puffback  
*(Dryoscopus cubla)*
(1) 2 Xaro Lodge 3.8.

Tropical Boubou  
*(Laniarius major)*
(1) 3 Chobe NP--Kasane, North-West District 7.8.

Swamp Boubou  
*(Laniarius bicolor sticturus)*
(2) Up to 7 Xaro Lodge 3-4.8.

**Shrikes Laniidae**

**Magpie Shrike** *Urolestes melanoleucus*
(2) 5 Shakawe 4.8 and 2 Chobe NP--Kasane, North-West District 7.8.

**Old World Orioles Oriolidae**

**Black-headed Oriole** *Oriolus larvatus*
(1) 1 Xaro Lodge 3.8.

**Drongos Dicruridae**

**Fork-tailed Drongo** *Dicrurus adsimilis*
(2) 3 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 2 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

**Bulbuls Pycnonotidae**

**Dark-capped Bulbul** *Pycnonotus tricolor*
(2) 5 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 3 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

**Yellow-bellied Greenbul** *Chlorocichla flaviventris occidentalis*
(1) 1 Chobe NP--Kasane, North-West District 7.8.

**Terrestrial Brownbul** *Phyllastrephus terrestris*
(2) 2 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 6 Chobe NP--Kasane, North-West District 7.8.

**Swallows Hirundinidae**

**Brown-throated Martin** *Riparia paludicola paludicola*
(2) 30 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 20 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

**Banded Martin** *Riparia cincta*
(2) 20 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 5 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

**Wire-tailed Swallow** *Hirundo smithii smithii*
(3) 2 Shakawe 2.8, 20 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 15 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

**Lesser Striped Swallow** *Cecropis abyssinica*
(2) 20 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 5 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

**Reed warblers and allies Acrocephalidae**

**Greater Swamp Warbler** *Acrocephalus rufescens ansorgei*
(2) 3 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 5 heard Xaro Lodge 4.8.

**Cisticolas and allies Cisticolidae**

**Chirping Cisticola** *Cisticola pipiens*
(2) 5 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 3 heard Xaro Lodge 4.8.

**Tawny-flanked Prinia** *Prinia subflava*
(2) 5 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 1 heard Xaro Lodge 4.8.

**Grey-backed Camaroptera** *Camaroptera brevicaudata*
(2) 2 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 2 Chobe NP--Kasane, North-West District 7.8.

**Laughingthrushes Leiothrichidae**

**Arrow-marked Babbler**
*Leiothrix lutea*
(2) 5 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 3 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

**Hartlaub's Babbler**
*Turdoides hartlaubii*
(2) 10 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 6 Chobe NP--Kasane, North-West District 7.8.

**Southern Pied Babbler**
*Turdoides bicolor*
(1) 1 Shakawe 4.8.

**White-eyes Zosteropidae**

**African Yellow White-eye**
*Zosterops senegalensis*
(1) 1 heard Chobe NP--Kasane, North-West District 7.8.

**Starlings Sturnidae**

**Wattled Starling**
*Creatophora cinerea*
(1) 2 Chobe NP--Kasane, North-West District 7.8.

**Greater Blue-eared Starling**
*Lamprotornis chalybeus nordmanni*
(2) 20 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 15 Chobe NP--Kasane, North-West District 7.8.

**Meves's Starling**
*Lamprotornis mevesii*
(2) 2 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 5 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

**Burchell's Starling**
*Lamprotornis australis*
(1) 5 Xaro Lodge 3.8.

**Violet-backed Starling**
*Cinnyricinclus leucogaster verreauxi*
(2) 15 Shakawe 2.8 and 5 Shakawe 4.8.

**Oxpeckers Buphagidae**

**Yellow-billed Oxpecker**
*Buphagus africanus africanus*
(1) 1 Xaro Lodge 3.8.

**Red-billed Oxpecker**
*Buphagus erythrorhynchos*
(1) 5 Xaro Lodge 3.8.

**Chats, Old World Flycatchers Muscicapidae**

**White-browed Robin-Chat**
*Cossypha heuglini heuglini*
(3) 2 Xaro Lodge 3.8, 3 Xaro Lodge 4.8 and 10 Chobe NP--Kasane, North-West District 7.8.

**Collared Palm Thrush**
*Cichladusa arquata*
(1) 2 Chobe NP--Kasane, North-West District 7.8.

**African Stonechat**
*Saxicola torquatus*
(2) 2 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 1 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

**Sunbirds and Spiderhunters Nectariniidae**

**Marico Sunbird**
*Cinnyris mariquensis*
(1) 6 Xaro Lodge 3.8.
White-bellied Sunbird  
*Cinnyris talatala*
(1) 3 Xaro Lodge 3.8.

**Weavers, Widowbirds Ploceidae**

Red-billed Buffalo Weaver  
*Bubalornis niger niger*
(1) 6 Chobe NP--Ngoma Bridge area 7.8.

Thick-billed Weaver  
*Amblyospiza albifrons*
(1) 5 Xaro Lodge 3.8.

Holub's Golden Weaver  
*Ploceus xanthops*
(2) 5 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 3 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

Southern Brown-throated Weaver  
*Ploceus xanhopterus castaneigula*
(2) 3 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 15 Chobe NP--Kasane, North-West District 7.8.

Village Weaver  
*Ploceus cucullatus*
(1) 1 Xaro Lodge 3.8.

Red-billed Quelea  
*Quelea quelea lathamii*
(1) 3 Xaro Lodge 3.8.

Yellow-crowned Bishop  
*Euplectes afer taha*
(2) 1 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 10 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

**Waxbills, Munias and allies Estrildidae**

Red-billed Firefinch  
*Lagonosticta senegala*
(1) 2 Xaro Lodge 3.8.

**Wagtails, Pipits Motacillidae**

Cape Wagtail  
*Motacilla capensis*
(1) 3 Xaro Lodge 3.8.

African Pied Wagtail  
*Motacilla aguimp*
(1) 3 Chobe NP--Kasane, North-West District 7.8.

African Pipit  
*Anthus cinnamomeus*
(1) 1 heard Chobe NP--Ngoma Bridge area 7.8.

**Zambia**

**Pheasants, Grouse, and Allies Phasianidae**

Swainson's Spurfowl  
*Pternistis swainsonii swainsonii*
(1) 1 heard Livingstone 8.8.

**Ibis, Spoonbills Threskiornithidae**

African Sacred Ibis  
*Threskiornis aethiopicus*
(2) 1 Livingstone 7.8 and 25 Livingstone 8.8.

Hadada Ibis  
*Bostrychia hagedash*
Glossy Ibis
(1) 6 Livingstone 8.8.

*Squacco Heron*
(1) 4 Livingstone 8.8.

*Western Cattle Egret*
(1) 30 Livingstone 8.8.

*Black-headed Heron*
(1) 10 Livingstone 8.8.

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**Heron, Egrets, and Bitterns *Ardeidae***

*Glossy Ibis*  
*Plegadis falcinellus*

*Ardeola ralloides*

*Bubulcus ibis*

*Ardea melanoccephala*

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**Cormorants and Shags *Phalacrocoracidae***

*Reed Cormorant*
(1) 25 Livingstone 8.8.

*African Darter*
(1) 6 Livingstone 8.8.

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**Anhingas *Anhingidae***

*Anhinga rufa rufa*

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**Kites, Hawks & Eagles *Accipitridae***

*Lizard Buzzard*
(1) 1 Livingstone 8.8.

*African Fish Eagle*
(1) 1 Livingstone 8.8.

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**Rails, Crakes & Coots *Rallidae***

*Black Crake*
(1) 7 Livingstone 8.8.

*African Swamphen*
(1) 25 Livingstone 8.8.

*Common Moorhen*
(1) 10 Livingstone 8.8.

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**Stilts and Avocets *Recurvirostridae***

*Black-winged Stilt*
(1) 6 Livingstone 8.8.

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**Plovers and Lapwings *Charadriidae***

*Long-toed Lapwing*
(1) 5 Livingstone 8.8.

*Blacksmith Lapwing*
(1) 6 Livingstone 8.8.

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African Wattled Lapwing
Vanellus senegallus lateralis
(1) 2 Livingstone 8.8.

African Jacana
Actophilornis africanus
(1) 25 Livingstone 8.8.

Common Sandpiper
Actitis hypoleucos
(1) 1 Livingstone 7.8.
Wood Sandpiper
Tringa glareola
(1) 2 Livingstone 8.8.

Red-eyed Dove
Streptopelia semitorquata
(1) 5 Livingstone 8.8.
Ring-necked Dove
Streptopelia capicola
(1) 3 Livingstone 8.8.
Laughing Dove
Spilopelia senegalensis senegalensis
(1) 6 Livingstone 8.8.
Namaqua Dove
Oena capensis capensis
(1) 5 Livingstone 8.8.

Grey Go-away-bird
Corythaixoides concolor
(1) 7 Livingstone 8.8.

White-browed Coucal
Centropus superciliosus loandae
(1) 1 Livingstone 8.8.

Red-faced Mousebird
Urocolius indicus
(1) 10 Livingstone 8.8.

Brown-hooded Kingfisher
Halecyon albiventris

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(1) 1 Livingstone 8.8.
**Pied Kingfisher**  
*Ceryle rudis rudis*

(1) 3 Livingstone 8.8.

**Bee-eaters**  
*Meropidae*  
*Merops bullockoides*

(1) 5 Livingstone 8.8.

**White-fronted Bee-eater**

(1) 3 Livingstone 8.8.

**Hornbills**  
*Bucerotidae*  
*Bycanistes bucinator*

(1) 4 Livingstone 8.8.

**Trumpeter Hornbill**

(1) 2 Livingstone 8.8.

**African Barbets**  
*Lybiidae*  
*Lybius torquatus*

(1) 2 Livingstone 8.8.

**Black-collared Barbet**

(1) 2 Livingstone 8.8.

**African & New World Parrots**  
*Psittacidae*  
*Poicephalus meyeri*

(2) 1 Livingstone 7.8 and 2 Livingstone 8.8.

**Meyer's Parrot**

(1) 4 Livingstone 8.8.

**Helmetshrikes and Allies**  
*Prionopidae*  
*Prionops retzii*

(1) 2 Livingstone 7.8.

**Retz's Helmetshrike**

(1) 1 heard Livingstone 8.8.

**Bushshrikes and Allies**  
*Malaconotidae*  
*Laniarius major*

(1) 1 heard Livingstone 8.8.

**Tropical Boubou**

(1) 1 heard Livingstone 8.8.

**Brubru**  
*Nilaus afer*

(1) 1 heard Livingstone 8.8.

**Drongos**  
*Dicruridae*  
*Dicrurus adsimilis*

(1) 2 Livingstone 8.8.

**Fork-tailed Drongo**

(1) 3 Livingstone 8.8.

**Crows, Jays, and Magpies**  
*Corvidae*  
*Corvus albus*

(2) 1 Livingstone 7.8 and 2 Livingstone 8.8.

**Pied Crow**

(1) 4 Livingstone 8.8.

**Bulbuls**  
*Pycnonotidae*  
*Pycnonotus tricolor*

(1) 4 Livingstone 8.8.

**Dark-capped Bulbul**  
*Phyllastrephus terrestris*

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Mammals (52 in total: 52 seen)

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Elephant Shrews *Macroscelididae*

Round-eared Sengi *Macroscelides proboscideus*
(1) 1 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7.

Elephants *Elephantidae*

African Elephant *Loxodonta africana*

Hyraxes *Procaviidae*

Rock Hyrax *Procavia capensis*
(4) 8 Avis Dam North 22.7, 10 Namibgrens 24.7, 10 Spitzkoppe NR 26.7 and 20 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7.

Galagos *Galagidae*

Southern Lesser Galago *Galago moholi*
(1) 7 Etosha Village Lodge 27.7.

Old World monkeys *Cercopithecidae*

Vervet *Chlorocebus pygerythrus*
(2) 16 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8 and 4 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8.

Chacma Baboon *Papio ursinus*
(6) 30 Namibgrens 23.7, 6 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 26.7, 5 Outju 27.7, 6 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 25 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8 and 50 Kwandu River 5.8.

Rabbits, Hares *Leporidae*

Cape Hare *Lepus capensis*
(1) 2 Namibgrens 23.7.

African Savanna Hare *Lepus microtis*
(2) 2 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7 and 1 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 4.8.

Old World Porcupines *Hystricidae*

Cape Porcupine *Hystrix africæaustralis*
(1) 1 Mokuti Lodge 30.7.
**Dassie Rat Petromuridae**

Dassie Rat *Petromus typicus*
(2) 1 Avis Dam North 22.7 and 3 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7.

**Squirrels Sciuridae**

Smith's Bush Squirrel *Paraxerus cepapi*

South African Ground Squirrel *Xerus inauris*
(3) 1 Namibgrens 23.7, 1 Solitaire 24.7 and 30 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7.

Damara Ground Squirrel *Xerus princeps*
(1) 3 Spitzkoppe NR 26.7.

**Cats Felidae**

Wild Cat *Felis silvestris*
(1) 2 Etosha NP--Halali 29.7.

Lion *Panthera leo leo*
(2) 5 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7 and 2 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7.

**Mongooses Herpestidae**

Yellow Mongoose *Cynictis penicillata*
(3) 1 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 2 Erongo Mountains 26.7 and 5 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7.

Slender Mongoose *Herpestes sanguineus*
(2) 1 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7 and 1 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7.

Banded Mongoose *Mungos mungo*
(2) 30 Mokuti Lodge 30.7 and 15 Mokuti Lodge 31.7.

Selous' Mongoose *Paracynictis selousi*
(1) 1 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 4.8.

**Hyaenas, Aardwolf Hyaenidae**

Brown Hyaena *Hyaena brunnea*
(1) 1 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7.

**Wolves, Coyote, Foxes, Jackals Canidae**

Black-backed Jackal *Canis mesomelas*

**Weasels, Skunks, Otters Mustelidae**

Spotted-necked Otter *Lutra maculicollis*
(1) 1 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 4.8.

Honey Badger *Mellivora capensis*
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(2) 2 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7 and 1 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7.

**Sea Lions Otariidae**

*Arctocephalus pusillus*

(1) 5 Walvis Bay 25.7.

**Zebras, Horse, Asses Equidae**

*Equus quagga*

(5) 100 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 100 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7, 150 Etosha NP-- Halali 30.7, 150 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7 and 4 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8.

**Mountain Zebra**

*Equus zebra hartmannae*

(2) 13 Namibgrens 23.7 and 11 Namib-Naukluft National Park 24.7.

**Rhinoceroses Rhinocerotidae**

*Ceratotherium simum*

(1) 3 Etosha NP-- Halali 30.7.

**Black Rhinoceros**

*Diceros bicornis*

(2) 1 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7 and 1 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7.

**Pigs Suidae**

*Phacochoerus africanus*

(8) 10 Namibgrens 23.7, 10 Outju 27.7, 2 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7, 4 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 4 Rundu 1.8, 20 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 25 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8 and 5 Bwabwata NP 5.8.

**Oceanic Dolphins Delphinidae**

*Tursiops truncatus truncatus*

(1) 4 Langstrand 25.7.

**Hippopotamus Hippopotamidae**

*Hippopotamus amphibius capensis*

(3) 15 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 5 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8 and 2 Bwabwata NP-- Divundu 5.8.

**Cattle, Antelopes, Sheep, Goats Bovidae**

*Aepyceros melampus*


**Hartebeest**

*Alcelaphus buselaphus*

(4) 7 Windhoek--Airport 22.7, 12 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 30 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7 and 6 Etosha NP-- Andoni Plains 31.7.
Springbok  $Antidorcas marsupialis$

Common Wildebeest  $Connochaetes taurinus$

Topi  $Damaliscus lunatus$
(2) 6 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8 and 3 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8.

Blesbok  $Damaliscus pygargus$
(4) 2 Namibgrens 23.7 and up to 6 Mokuti Lodge 30-1.8.

Roan Antelope  $Hippotragus equinus$
(2) 5 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8 and 5 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8.

Waterbuck  $Kobus ellipsiprymnus$
(1) 4 Kwandu River 5.8.

Southern Lechwe  $Kobus leche kafuensis$
(3) 30 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 15 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8 and 15 Kwandu River 5.8.

Kirk's Dik-dik  $Madoqua kirkii$
(4) 4 Erongo Mountains 26.7, 3 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7, 1 Etosha Village Lodge 28.7 and 3 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7.

Gemsbok  $Oryx gazella$

Steenbok  $Raphicerus campestris campestris$
(4) 2 Erongo Mountains 26.7, 3 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7, 6 Etosha NP-- Halali 30.7 and 1 Etosha-Namutoni 31.7.

Southern Reedbuck  $Redunca arundinum$
(3) 5 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 6 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8 and 3 Kwandu River 5.8.

Common Duiker  $Sylvicapra grimmia$
(4) 1 Etosha Village Lodge 27.7, 1 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7, 1 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7 and 1 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7.

African Buffalo  $Syncerus caffer$
(2) 10 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8 and 50 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8.

Bushbuck  $Tragelaphus scriptus$
(3) 2 Namibgrens 23.7, 2 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8 and 2 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8.

Greater Kudu  $Tragelaphus strepsiceros$
Giraffe, Okapi *Giraffidae*

**Giraffe**  
*Giraffa camelopardalis*  

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**Botswana**

**Aardvarks *Orycteropodidae***

**Aardvark**  
*Orycteropus afer*  
(1) 1 Xaro Lodge 3.8.

**Old World monkeys *Cercopithecidae***

**Vervet**  
*Chlorocebus pygerythrus*  
(2) 5 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 10 Chobe NP--Kasane, North-West District 7.8.

**Squirrels *Sciuridae***

**Smith's Bush Squirrel**  
*Paraxerus cepapi*  
(2) 3 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 4 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

**Mongooses *Herpestidae***

**Banded Mongoose**  
*Mungos mungo*  
(1) 15 Chobe NP--Kasane, North-West District 7.8.

**Zebras, Horse, Asses *Equidae***

**Plains Zebra**  
*Equus quagga*  
(1) 150 Chobe NP--Ngoma Bridge area 7.8.

**Pigs *Suidae***

**Common Warthog**  
*Phacochoerus africanus*  
(1) 3 Chobe NP--Kasane, North-West District 7.8.

**Hippopotamuses *Hippopotamidae***

**Hippopotamus**  
*Hippopotamus amphibius capensis*  
(2) 15 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 2 Chobe NP--Kasane, North-West District 7.8.

**Cattle, Antelopes, Sheep, Goats *Bovidae***

**Impala**  
*Aepyceros melampus*  
(1) 25 Chobe NP--Ngoma Bridge area 7.8.

**Sable Antelope**  
*Hippotragus niger*  
(1) 3 Chobe NP--Ngoma Bridge area 7.8.

**Waterbuck**  
*Kobus ellipsiprymnus*
African Buffalo *Syncerus caffer*
(1) 25 Chobe NP--Ngoma Bridge area 7.8.

Bushbuck *Tragelaphus scriptus*
(1) 50 Chobe NP--Kasane, North-West District 7.8.

Sitatunga *Tragelaphus spekii*
(2) 3 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 1 Chobe NP--Kasane, North-West District 7.8.

Greater Kudu *Tragelaphus strepsiceros*
(2) 5 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 3 Xaro Lodge 4.8.
(1) 5 Chobe NP--Ngoma Bridge area 7.8.

Zambia

African Elephant *Loxodonta africana*
(1) 15 Livingstone 7.8.

Chacma Baboon *Papio ursinus*
(1) 1 Livingstone 7.8.

Hippopotamus *Hippopotamus amphibius capensis*
(1) 1 Livingstone 8.8.

Reptiles (6 in total: 6 seen)

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**Geckos Gekkonidae** *Chondrodactylus bibronii*
Bibron's Thick-toed Gecko
(2) 1 Mokuti Lodge 30.7 and 1 Mokuti Lodge 31.7.

Skinks Scincidae *Trachylepis striata wahlbergi*
African Striped Skink
(1) 1 Namibgrens 23.7.

Elapidae Elapidae *Naja nigrincincta*
Western Barred Cobra
(1) 1 Etosha NP--Halali 29.7.

**Vipers Viperidae**

*Bitis caudalis*

**Horned Adder**

(1) 1 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7.

**Crocodiles and relatives Crocodylidae**

*Crocodylus niloticus cowiei*

**Nile Crocodile**

(3) 2 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 1 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8 and 1 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

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**Botswana**

**Skinks Scincidae**

*Trachylepis variegata*

**Variegated Skink**

(1) 1 Chobe NP--Kasane, North-West District 7.8.

**Crocodiles and relatives Crocodylidae**

*Crocodylus niloticus cowiei*

**Nile Crocodile**

(3) 20 Xaro Lodge 3.8, 6 Xaro Lodge 4.8 and 1 Chobe NP--Kasane, North-West District 7.8.

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**Amphibians (1 in total: 1 heard)**

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**Namibia**

**True toads Bufonidae**

*Amietophrynus maculatus*

**Flatbacked Toad**

(1) 1 heard Mokuti Lodge 31.7.

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