

# Namibia, Botswana & Zambia Overland Adventure III

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# **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



Pale-winged Starling by Daniel Keith Danckwerts

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 nearendemics – 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.



**Rockrunner by Daniel Keith Danckwerts** 

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



Rufous-eared Warbler by Daniel Keith Danckwerts

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 Longbilled Pipit, Peregrine Falcon, and two soaring Verreaux's Eagles. Thereafter, we continued through the

Namib-Nauklift 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.



**Greater Flamingo by Daniel Keith Danckwerts** 

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.



**Dune Lark by Daniel Keith Danckwerts** 

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 lept 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-



Herero Chat by Daniel Keith Danckwerts

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.



Rosy-faced Lovebird by Daniel Keith Danckwerts

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 –



Bare-cheeked Babbler by Daniel Keith Danckwerts

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



Violet Wood Hoopoe by Daniel Keith Danckwerts

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



Pink-billed Lark by Daniel Keith Danckwerts

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 nit-picked 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 Eremomelas, 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.



**Lion by Daniel Keith Danckwerts** 

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



Kirk's Dik-dik by Daniel Keith Danckwerts

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.



Souza's Shrike by Daniel Keith Danckwerts

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



Coppery-tailed Coucal by Daniel Keith Danckwerts

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!



Pel's Fishing Owl by Daniel Keith Danckwerts

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!



Goliath Heron by Daniel Keith Danckwerts

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



Roan Antelope by Daniel Keith Danckwerts

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* 



**Southern Carmine Bee-eater by Daniel Keith Danckwerts** 

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 Beeeater 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



Racket-tailed Roller by Daniel Keith Danckwerts

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.



**Brown Firefinch by Daniel Keith Danckwerts** 

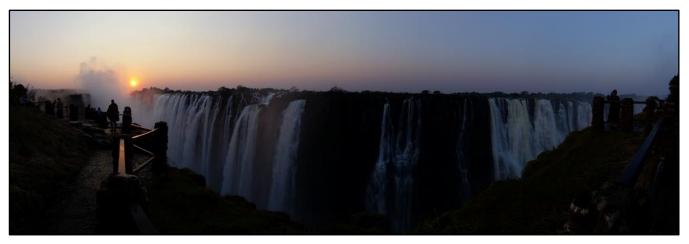
We left the Katima Mulilo area early, crossing into Botswana at Ngoma. The Ngoma bridge was a superb vantage point from which to scan the surrounding floodplain. Here we found African Jacana, Yellow-billed Stork, Great and Intermediate Egrets, Squacco Heron, and small numbers of Whiskered Tern. In the 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. Our

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!



Sunset over the Victoria Falls by Daniel Keith Danckwerts

# 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)

Nomenclature and taxonomy follows Gill, F and D Donsker (Eds). 2018. IOC World Bird List (v 8.1).

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

**IUCN codes:**  $\mathbf{CR} = \mathbf{Critically}$  endangered,  $\mathbf{EN} = \mathbf{Endangered}$ ,  $\mathbf{VU} = \mathbf{Vulnerable}$ ,  $\mathbf{EW} = \mathbf{Extinct}$  in the

Wild, NT = Near Threatened, DD = Data Deficient

# Namibia

#### Ostrich Struthionidae

#### **Common Ostrich**

Struthio camelus australis

(7) 8 Namib-Naukluft National Park 24.7, 15 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 20 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7, 15 Etosha NP-- Halali 30.7, 20 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 2 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8 and 2 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8.

#### Ducks, Geese & Swans Anatidae

#### White-faced Whistling Duck

Dendrocygna viduata

(1) 150 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8.

### **Spur-winged Goose**

Plectropterus gambensis

(3) 50 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 25 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8 and 3 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8.

**Knob-billed Duck** 

Sarkidiornis melanotos

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

### **Egyptian Goose**

Alopochen aegyptiaca

(4) 20 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 2 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7, 20 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8 and 25 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8.

#### **South African Shelduck**

Tadorna cana

(3) 4 Walvis Bay--Bird Sanctuary 25.7, 2 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7 and 2 Etosha NP--Andoni Plains 31.7.

**Hottentot Teal** 

Spatula hottentota

(3) 5 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 10 Rundu 1.8 and 1 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.

Cape Teal

Anas capensis

(3) 2 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 2 Walvis Bay--Bird Sanctuary 25.7 and 2 Rundu 1.8.

Red-billed Teal

Anas erythrorhyncha

(4) 5 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 5 Rundu 1.8, 1 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 5.8 and 3 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

**Southern Pochard** 

Netta erythrophthalma brunnea

(2) 1 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7 and 3 Rundu 1.8.

### **Guineafowl** Numididae

#### **Helmeted Guineafowl**

Numida meleagris

(10) 8 Windhoek 22.7, 5 River Crossings Hotel, Windhoek 23.7, 15 Namibgrens 24.7, 30 Outju 27.7, 15 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 200 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7, 150 Etosha NP-- Halali 30.7, 150 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 150 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 20 Rundu 1.8 and 10 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8.

### Pheasants, Grouse, and Allies Phasianidae

### **Crested Francolin**

Dendroperdix sephaena

(2) 2 Mokuti Lodge 30.7 and 5 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7.

#### Hartlaub's Spurfowl

Pternistis hartlaubi

(2) 2 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 26.7 and 2 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7.

One of Namibia's most difficult near-endemics. This species performed fantastically this year, with awesome sightings on both days at the Erongo Wilderness Lodge.

#### **Red-billed Spurfowl**

Pternistis adspersus

(13) 3 heard Avis Dam North 22.7, 3 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 6 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 26.7, 8 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7, 3 heard Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 3 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7, 10 Mokuti Lodge 30.7, 6 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 6 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 3 Rundu 1.8, 1 Bwabwata

NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 3 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8, 4 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8 and 2 heard Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

### Swainson's Spurfowl

Pternistis swainsonii

(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

Tachybaptus ruficollis capensis

(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** 

Podiceps nigricollis gurneyi

(1) 15 Paaltjies 25.7.

### Flamingos Phoenicopteridae

**Greater Flamingo** 

Phoenicopterus roseus

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

**Lesser Flamingo (NT)** 

Phoeniconaias minor

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

### Storks Ciconiidae

### **Yellow-billed Stork**

Mycteria ibis

(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** 

Anastomus lamelligerus

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

**Saddle-billed Stork** 

*Ephippiorhynchus senegalensis* 

(1) 1 Kwandu River 5.8.

Marabou Stork

Leptoptilos crumenifer

(1) 10 Outju 27.7.

### Ibises, Spoonbills Threskiornithidae

#### **African Sacred Ibis**

Threskiornis aethiopicus

(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

Plegadis falcinellus

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

**African Spoonbill** 

Platalea alba

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

#### Herons, Egrets, and Bitterns Ardeidae

#### Little Bittern

Ixobrychus minutus payesii

(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.

**Striated 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 Scopidae

Hamerkop

Scopus umbretta

(2) 2 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8 and 1 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.

#### Pelicans *Pelecanidae*

**Great White Pelican** 

Pelecanus onocrotalus

(1) 12 Paaltijes 25.7.

#### Cormorants and Shags Phalacrocoracidae

**Reed Cormorant** 

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)** 

Microcarbo coronatus

(1) 10 Langstrand 25.7.

**White-breasted Cormorant** 

Phalacrocorax lucidus

(2) 2 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7 and 3 Paaltjies 25.7.

**Cape Cormorant (NT)** 

Phalacrocorax capensis

(1) 2000 Langstrand 25.7.

### Anhingas Anhingidae

**African Darter** 

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 Sagittariidae

Secretarybird (VU)

Sagittarius serpentarius

(3) 3 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7, 1 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7 and 1 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7.

### Kites, Hawks & Eagles Accipitridae

**Black-winged Kite** 

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** 

Polyboroides typus

(1) 1 Shamvura Woodland 2.8.

White-backed Vulture (NT)

Gyps africanus

(9) 1 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 8 Namibgrens 23.7, 30 Outju 27.7, 1 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 1 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7, 2 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7, 5 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 50 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8 and 30 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8.

White-headed Vulture (VU)

Trigonoceps occipitalis

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

Lappet-faced Vulture (VU)

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** 

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** 

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)

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)** 

Polemaetus bellicosus

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

**Long-crested Eagle** 

Lophaetus 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.

#### 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 ruficrista

(9) 1 River Crossings Hotel, Windhoek 22.7, 1 Namibgrens 23.7, 5 Erongo Mountains 26.7, 1 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 4 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7, 3 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7, 2 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 3 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8 and 1 Bwabwata NP 5.8.

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 caerulescens

(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 Crake** 

Porzana pusilla intermedia

(1) 1 Rundu 1.8.

Guide only

Porphyrio madagascariensis

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

**Common Moorhen** 

**African Swamphen** 

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 Recurvirostra avosetta

(1) 100 Paaltjies 25.7.

### Plovers and Lapwings Charadriidae

### **Long-toed Lapwing**

Vanellus crassirostris leucopterus

(1) 6 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8.

### **Blacksmith Lapwing**

Vanellus armatus

(12) 4 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 2 Namibgrens 23.7, 1 Namibgrens 24.7, 3 Walvis Bay--Bird Sanctuary 25.7, 5 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 3 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7, up to 3 Etosha-Namutoni 30-31.7, 20 Rundu 1.8, 10 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 3 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 5.8 and 3 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

### White-crowned Lapwing

Vanellus albiceps

(2) 10 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8 and 1 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.

#### **Crowned Lapwing**

Vanellus coronatus

(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**

Vanellus senegallus lateralis

(1) 2 Hakusembe River Lodge 2.8.

**Grey Plover** 

Pluvialis squatarola

(1) 12 Paaltjies 25.7.

Kittlitz's Plover

Charadrius pecuarius

(2) 2 Walvis Bay--Bird Sanctuary 25.7 and 2 Etosha NP--Andoni Plains 31.7.

**Three-banded Plover** 

Charadrius tricollaris tricollaris

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

**White-fronted Plover** 

Charadrius marginatus

(1) 15 Paaltjies 25.7.

**Chestnut-banded Plover (NT)** 

Charadrius pallidus

(1) 10 Mile 4 Salt Pans 25.7.

### Painted-Snipes Rostratulidae

#### **Greater Painted-snipe**

Rostratula benghalensis

(1) 2 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8.

#### Jacanas Jacanidae

#### African Jacana

Actophilornis africanus

(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**Arenaria interpres interpres

(1) 5 Paaltjies 25.7.

Curlew Sandpiper Calidris ferruginea

(1) 15 Paaltjies 25.7.

**Sanderling** Calidris alba alba

(1) 10 Paaltjies 25.7.

African Snipe Gallinago nigripennis angolensis

(2) 3 Rundu 1.8 and 1 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 4.8.

**Wood Sandpiper** Tringa glareola

(2) 1 Etosha NP--Andoni Plains 31.7 and 5 Rundu 1.8.

Common Greenshank Tringa nebularia

(3) 3 Paaltjies 25.7, 1 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8 and 1 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

### **Pratincoles and Coursers Glareolidae**

**Double-banded Courser** 

Rhinoptilus africanus

(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** 

Glareola pratincola fuelleborni

(1) 6 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8.

### Gulls, Terns & Skimmers Laridae

African Skimmer (NT)

Rynchops flavirostris

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

**Grey-headed Gull** 

Chroicocephalus cirrocephalus poiocephalus

(2) 25 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8 and 10 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.

Hartlaub's Gull Chroicocephalus hartlaubii

(1) 20 Paaltjies 25.7.

Kelp Gull Larus dominicanus vetula

(1) 20 Paaltijes 25.7.

Caspian Tern Hydroprogne caspia

(1) 25 Paaltjies 25.7.

Greater Crested Tern Thalasseus bergii bergii

(1) 50 Paaltjies 25.7.

Sandwich Tern Thalasseus sandvicensis

(1) 3 Paaltjies 25.7.

**Common Tern** Sterna hirundo hirundo

(1) 6 Paaltijes 25.7.

Whiskered Tern Chlidonias hybrida

(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

(5) 4 Erongo Mountains 26.7, 1 Etosha Village Lodge 28.7, 3 Etosha-Namutoni 30.7, 15 Etosha-Namutoni 31.7 and 1 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8.

### **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

(12) 1 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 2 Namibgrens 23.7, 2 Namib-Naukluft National Park 24.7, 4 Spitzkoppe NR 26.7, 5 Outju 27.7, 150 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 300 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7, 5 Etosha NP-- Halali 30.7, 200 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 15 Rundu 1.8, 2 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 4.8 and 5 Bwabwata NP 5.8.

#### **Laughing Dove**

Spilopelia senegalensis senegalensis

(14) 10 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 4 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 3 Namibgrens 24.7, 3 Erongo Mountains 26.7, 10 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7, 50 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 50 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7, 3 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7, 150 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 15 Rundu 1.8, 10 Rundu 2.8, 1 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8, 2 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8 and 3 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.

### **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

(12) 5 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 5 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 3 Namibgrens 24.7, 2 Khan River bridge 26.7, 3 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7, 20 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7, 20 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, up to 20 Etosha- Namutoni 30-30.7, 12 Rundu 1.8, 5 Rundu 2.8, 5 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8, 5 Bwabwata NP 5.8 and 4 Katima Mulilo 6.8.

### 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 africanus

(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

(6) 2 Khan River bridge 26.7, 1 heard Etosha Village Lodge 28.7, 3 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7, 1 Etosha-Namutoni 30.7, 2 heard Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, up to 2 Etosha- Namutoni 30-30.7 and 1 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8.

**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, 3 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

(11) 2 Windhoek--Airport 22.7, 2 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 10 Outju 27.7, 20 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 1 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7, 15 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7, 25 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 5 Rundu 1.8, 10 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 4 Bwabwata NP 5.8 and 3 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

#### Kingfishers Alcedinidae

#### **Brown-hooded Kingfisher**

Halcyon albiventris

(1) 1 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

### **Striped Kingfisher**

Halcyon chelicuti chelicuti

(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

(11) 2 River Crossings Hotel, Windhoek 22.7, 3 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 1 Erongo Mountains 26.7, 7 Outju 27.7, 5 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 5 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7, 15 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7, 25 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 10 Rundu 1.8, 4 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8 and 10 Bwabwata NP 5.8.

**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

(8) 1 Avis Dam North 22.7, 1 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 11 Namibgrens 24.7, 2 Erongo Mountains 26.7, 1 Etosha Village Lodge 27.7, 2 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 1 heard Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7 and 1 heard Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8.

**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 namaguus namaguus

(2) 1 Avis Dam North 22.7 and 1 Hakusembe River Lodge 2.8.

### Cardinal Woodpecker

Dendropicos fuscescens

(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.

**Pririt 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 sulfureopectus 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

(10) 2 Avis Dam North 22.7, 2 Namibgrens 23.7, 1 Erongo Mountains 26.7, 1 Outju 27.7, 2 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 3 Mokuti Lodge 30.7, 5 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 5 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 2 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8 and 2 Bwabwata NP 5.8.

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

(8) 1 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 1 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 3 Namibgrens 23.7, 2 Namibgrens 24.7, 1 Rooibank 25.7, 3 Spitzkoppe NR 26.7, 3 Outju 27.7, 2 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7 and 2 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7.

### Old World Orioles Oriolidae

#### **Black-headed Oriole**

Oriolus larvatus

(1) 1 heard Katima Mulilo 6.8.

### **Drongos** *Dicruridae*

### Fork-tailed Drongo

Dicrurus adsimilis

(13) 1 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 2 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 2 Khan River bridge 26.7, 15 Outju 27.7, 10 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 30 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7, 5 Etosha NP-- Halali 30.7, 15 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 15 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 5 Rundu 1.8, 5 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 10 Bwabwata NP 5.8, 6 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8 and 2 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.

### 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

(5) 4 Namib-Naukluft National Park 24.7, 20 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 3 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7, 2 Etosha NP-- Halali 30.7 and 23 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8.

### 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 Namibgrens 23.7, 15 Okaukuejo Lark area 28.7 and 1 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7.

Gray's Lark

Ammomanopsis gravi

(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

(5) 20 Namib-Naukluft National Park 24.7, 150 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 200 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7, 200 Etosha NP-- Halali 30.7 and 200 Etosha NP--Andoni Plains 31.7.

Sabota Lark

Calendulauda sabota

(9) 1 River Crossings Hotel, Windhoek 22.7, 4 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 3 Spreetshoogte Pass 24.7, 3 Erongo Mountains 26.7, 1 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7, 10 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 4 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7, 4 Etosha NP-- Halali 30.7 and 6 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7.

Fawn-colored Lark

Calendulauda africanoides

(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

(9) 6 River Crossings Hotel, Windhoek 22.7, 2 River Crossings Hotel, Windhoek 23.7, 7 Namibgrens 24.7, 5 Spitzkoppe NR 26.7, 25 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7, 3 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 30 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7, 3 Mokuti Lodge 30.7 and 20 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7.

### **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 albigularis

(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**

Ptyonoprogne fuligula

(7) 5 River Crossings Hotel, Windhoek 22.7, 3 River Crossings Hotel, Windhoek 23.7, 3 Namibgrens 24.7, 5 Erongo Mountains 26.7, 5 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7, 4 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7 and 2 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7.

### **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 Macrosphenidae

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

(9) 1 Avis Dam North 22.7, 1 Namibgrens 24.7, 1 Erongo Mountains 26.7, 3 Etosha Village Lodge 27.7, 5 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7, 2 Mokuti Lodge 30.7, 3 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 1 Katima Mulilo 6.8 and 1 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.

### Reed warblers and allies Acrocephalidae

**Lesser Swamp Warbler** 

Acrocephalus gracilirostris

(2) 1 heard Gammam Water Care Works 22.7 and 2 Rundu 1.8.

#### Grassbirds and allies Locustellidae

Little Rush Warbler

Bradypterus baboecala

(1) 1 Rundu 1.8.

### Cisticolas and allies Cisticolidae

**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.

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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

(9) 7 Avis Dam North 22.7, 2 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 2 heard Spreetshoogte Pass 24.7, 3 Spitzkoppe NR 26.7, 5 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7, 3 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 2 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7, 3 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7 and 6 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7.

### **Yellow-breasted Apalis**

Apalis flavida

(2) 1 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7 and 1 heard Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

**Rufous-eared Warbler** 

Malcorus 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

(8) 6 River Crossings Hotel, Windhoek 22.7, 6 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 1 Namibgrens 24.7, 3 Khan River bridge 26.7, 1 heard Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 1 heard Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7, 5 Etosha-Namutoni 31.7 and 2 Rundu 1.8.

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-eve** 

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

(13) 3 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 6 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 4 Spreetshoogte Pass 24.7, 2 Khan River bridge 26.7, 3 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7, 6 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 50 Etosha NP--Halali 29.7, 5 Mokuti Lodge 30.7, 15 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 6 Rundu 1.8, 6 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 20 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8 and 3 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8.

**Greater Blue-eared Starling** 

Lamprotornis chalybaeus 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 erythrorynchus

(2) 25 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8 and 1 Katima Mulilo 5.8.

### Thrushes and Allies Turdidae

### **Groundscraper Thrush**

Turdus litsitsirupa

(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

(12) 2 River Crossings Hotel, Windhoek 22.7, 2 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 2 Erongo Mountains 26.7, 6 Outju 27.7, 4 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 3 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7, 15 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7, 20 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, up to 20 Etosha- Namutoni 30-30.7, 2 Rundu 1.8, 3 Shamvura Woodland 2.8, 3 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8 and 3 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 5.8.

**Ashy Flycatcher** 

Muscicapa caerulescens 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

(4) 2 Erongo Mountains 26.7, 2 Erongo Mountains 26.7, 6 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 15 Etosha NP--Andoni Plains 31.7 and 2 Rundu 1.8.

**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.

Namibia's hardest near-endemic. These birds performed beautifully this year, despite strong winds.

### 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.

### 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

(7) 6 Namibgrens 23.7, 5 Namibgrens 24.7, 6 Spitzkoppe NR 26.7, 5 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7, 2 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 2 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7 and 3 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7.

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.

#### 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

(4) 200 Namibgrens 23.7, 5 Spreetshoogte Pass 24.7, 200 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7 and 200 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7.

Scaly-feathered Weaver

Sporopipes squamifrons

(8) 6 Avis Dam North 22.7, 100 Namibgrens 23.7, 8 Namibgrens 24.7, 2 Spitzkoppe NR 26.7, 6 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 3 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7, 6 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7 and 30 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7.

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 Outju 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

(10) 1 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 1 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 1 Namibgrens 24.7, 100 Outju 27.7, 300 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 30 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7, 4 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7, 30 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 10 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8 and 25 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

**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

(10) 2 River Crossings Hotel, Windhoek 22.7, 1 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 1 Erongo Mountains 26.7, 8 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7, 1 Etosha Village Lodge 28.7, 2 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7, 2 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 5 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8, 2 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8 and 2 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 6.8.

**Red-headed Finch** 

Amadina erythrocephala

(9) 2 Avis Dam North 22.7, 2 River Crossings Hotel, Windhoek 23.7, 6 Namibgrens 24.7, 4 Erongo Mountains 26.7, 6 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7, 15 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 15 Etosha NP-- Okaukuejo 29.7, 15 Etosha NP-- Halali 30.7 and 25 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7.

**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* 

(9) 3 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 1 Namibgrens 24.7, 3 Erongo Mountains 26.7, 6 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7, 1 Etosha Village Lodge 28.7, 1 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7, 6 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7, 15 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7 and 2 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8.

**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.

## <u>Indigobirds Viduidae</u>

Pin-tailed Whydah

Vidua macroura

(1) 2 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.

**Shaft-tailed Whydah** 

Vidua regia

(9) 1 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 30 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 2 Erongo Mountains 26.7, 2 Outju 27.7, 50 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 30 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7, 10 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 3 Rundu 1.8 and 25 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8.

**Long-tailed Paradise Whydah** 

Vidua paradisaea

(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 Zambezi 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 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 5.8.

# Finches Fringillidae

#### **Black-throated Canary**

Crithagra atrogularis

(7) 2 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7, 15 Namibgrens 23.7, 20 Namibgrens 24.7, 15 Erongo Mountains 26.7, 15 Erongo Wilderness Lodge 27.7, 3 Etosha NP-- Halali 30.7 and 6 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7.

**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.

# Botswana

## 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.

## Ibises, 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.

Guide only

**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 3 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

Micronisus gabar

(1) 1 Xaro Lodge 3.8.

**African Marsh Harrier** 

Circus ranivorus

(2) 3 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 2 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

**African Fish Eagle** 

Haliaeetus vocifer

(2) 10 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 15 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

Flufftails Sarothruridae

**Red-chested Flufftail** 

Sarothrura rufa elizabethae

(1) 1 heard Xaro Lodge 3.8.

Rails, Crakes & Coots Rallidae

African Rail

Rallus caerulescens

(2) 1 heard Xaro Lodge 2.8 and 1 heard Xaro Lodge 3.8.

**Black Crake** 

Amaurornis flavirostra

(2) 3 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 4 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

**Thick-knees Burhinidae** 

Water Thick-knee

Burhinus vermiculatus vermiculatus

(3) Up to 6 Xaro Lodge 2-4.8.

Stilts and Avocets Recurvirostridae

**Black-winged Stilt** 

Himantopus himantopus

(1) 1 Xaro Lodge 3.8.

Plovers and Lapwings Charadriidae

**Long-toed Lapwing** 

Vanellus crassirostris leucopterus

(2) 6 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 15 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

**Blacksmith Lapwing** 

Vanellus armatus

(3) 3 Xaro Lodge 3.8, 20 Xaro Lodge 4.8 and 3 Chobe NP--Ngoma Bridge area 7.8.

**Crowned Lapwing** 

Vanellus coronatus

(2) 3 Shakawe 2.8 and 2 Chobe NP--Ngoma Bridge area 7.8.

**African Wattled Lapwing** 

Vanellus senegallus lateralis

(1) 1 Xaro Lodge 3.8.

Jacanas Jacanidae

Lesser Jacana

Microparra capensis

(2) 2 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 4 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

African Jacana

Actophilornis africanus

(2) 10 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 6 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

## 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 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.

## Wood Hoopoes Phoeniculidae

## **Green Wood Hoopoe**

Phoeniculus purpureus angolensis

(2) Up to 8 Xaro Lodge 3-4.8.

## Hornbills Bucerotidae

**Bradfield's Hornbill** 

Lophoceros bradfieldi

(1) 3 Shakawe 4.8.

**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** 

Turdoides jardineii

(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 chalybaeus 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 erythrorynchus

(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 xanthopterus 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.

Ibises, Spoonbills Threskiornithidae

**African Sacred Ibis**Threskiornis aethiopicus

(2) 1 Livingstone 7.8 and 25 Livingstone 8.8.

Hadada Ibis Bostrychia hagedash

(1) 2 Livingstone 8.8.

**Glossy Ibis** 

Plegadis falcinellus

(1) 6 Livingstone 8.8.

Herons, Egrets, and Bitterns Ardeidae

**Squacco Heron** 

Ardeola ralloides

(1) 4 Livingstone 8.8.

**Western Cattle Egret** 

Bubulcus ibis

(1) 30 Livingstone 8.8.

**Black-headed Heron** 

Ardea melanocephala

(1) 10 Livingstone 8.8.

Cormorants and Shags Phalacrocoracidae

**Reed Cormorant** 

Microcarbo africanus africanus

(1) 25 Livingstone 8.8.

Anhingas Anhingidae

**African Darter** 

Anhinga rufa rufa

(1) 6 Livingstone 8.8.

Kites, Hawks & Eagles Accipitridae

**Lizard Buzzard** 

Kaupifalco monogrammicus meridionalis

(1) 1 Livingstone 8.8.

**African Fish Eagle** 

Haliaeetus vocifer

(1) 1 Livingstone 8.8.

Rails, Crakes & Coots Rallidae

**Black Crake** 

Amaurornis flavirostra

(1) 7 Livingstone 8.8.

**African Swamphen** 

Porphyrio madagascariensis

(1) 25 Livingstone 8.8.

Gallinula chloropus meridionalis

**Common Moorhen** 

(1) 10 Livingstone 8.8.

Stilts and Avocets Recurvirostridae

**Black-winged Stilt** 

Himantopus himantopus

(1) 6 Livingstone 8.8.

Plovers and Lapwings Charadriidae

**Long-toed Lapwing** 

Vanellus crassirostris leucopterus

(1) 5 Livingstone 8.8.

Vanellus armatus

**Blacksmith Lapwing** 

(1) 5 Livingstone 8.8.

**African Wattled Lapwing** 

Vanellus senegallus lateralis

(1) 2 Livingstone 8.8.

Jacanas Jacanidae

African Jacana

Actophilornis africanus

(1) 25 Livingstone 8.8.

Sandpipers and Allies Scolopacidae

**Common Sandpiper** 

Actitis hypoleucos

(1) 1 Livingstone 7.8.

Tringa glareola

**Wood Sandpiper** (1) 2 Livingstone 8.8.

Pigeons and Doves Columbidae

**Red-eyed Dove** 

Streptopelia semitorquata

(1) 5 Livingstone 8.8. **Ring-necked Dove** 

Streptopelia capicola

(1) 3 Livingstone 8.8.

Spilopelia senegalensis senegalensis

Laughing Dove

(1) 6 Livingstone 8.8.

Oena capensis capensis

Corythaixoides concolor

Namaqua Dove

(1) 5 Livingstone 8.8.

Turacos Musophagidae

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

Cuckoos Cuculidae

**White-browed Coucal** 

Centropus superciliosus loandae

(1) 1 Livingstone 8.8.

Mousebirds Coliidae

**Red-faced Mousebird** 

Urocolius indicus

(1) 10 Livingstone 8.8.

Rollers Coraciidae

**Lilac-breasted Roller** 

Coracias caudatus caudatus

(1) 3 Livingstone 8.8.

Kingfishers Alcedinidae

**Brown-hooded Kingfisher** 

Halcyon albiventris

(1) 1 Livingstone 8.8.

Pied Kingfisher

Ceryle rudis rudis

(1) 3 Livingstone 8.8.

Bee-eaters Meropidae

White-fronted Bee-eater

Merops bullockoides

(1) 5 Livingstone 8.8.

Hornbills Bucerotidae

**Trumpeter Hornbill** 

Bycanistes bucinator

(1) 4 Livingstone 8.8.

African Barbets Lybiidae

**Black-collared Barbet** 

Lybius torquatus

(1) 2 Livingstone 8.8.

African & New World Parrots Psittacidae

Meyer's Parrot

Poicephalus meyeri

(1) 2 Livingstone 8.8.

Helmetshrikes and Allies Prionopidae

Retz's Helmetshrike

Prionops retzii

(1) 2 Livingstone 7.8.

**Bushshrikes and Allies Malaconotidae** 

**Tropical Boubou** 

Laniarius major

(1) 1 heard Livingstone 8.8.

Brubru

Nilaus afer

(1) 1 heard Livingstone 8.8.

Drongos Dicruridae

Fork-tailed Drongo

Dicrurus adsimilis

(1) 3 Livingstone 8.8.

Crows, Jays, and Magpies Corvidae

**Pied Crow** 

Corvus albus

(2) 1 Livingstone 7.8 and 2 Livingstone 8.8.

Bulbuls Pycnonotidae

**Dark-capped Bulbul** 

Pycnonotus tricolor

(1) 4 Livingstone 8.8.

**Terrestrial Brownbul**Phyllastrephus terrestris

(1) 2 heard Livingstone 8.8.

Swallows Hirundinidae

**Brown-throated Martin** Riparia paludicola paludicola

(1) 2 Livingstone 8.8.

Wire-tailed Swallow Hirundo smithii smithii

(1) 3 Livingstone 8.8.

Starlings Sturnidae

**Red-winged Starling**Onychognathus morio morio

(2) 2 Livingstone 7.8 and 25 Livingstone 8.8.

Thrushes and Allies *Turdidae* 

**Groundscraper Thrush** *Turdus litsitsirupa* 

(1) 2 Livingstone 8.8.

Chats, Old World Flycatchers Muscicapidae

White-browed Robin-Chat Cossypha heuglini heuglini

(1) 1 heard Livingstone 8.8.

Collared Palm Thrush Cichladusa arquata

(1) 1 Livingstone 8.8.

Weavers, Widowbirds Ploceidae

White-browed Sparrow-Weaver Plocepasser mahali

(2) 10 Livingstone 7.8 and 6 Livingstone 8.8.

**Red-billed Quelea** Quelea quelea lathamii

(1) 50 Livingstone 8.8.

Waxbills, Munias and allies Estrildidae

**Red-billed Firefinch**Lagonosticta senegala

(1) 3 Livingstone 8.8.

Blue Waxbill Uraeginthus angolensis

(1) 2 Livingstone 8.8.

Indigobirds Viduidae

Pin-tailed Whydah Vidua macroura

(1) 6 Livingstone 8.8.

Wagtails, Pipits Motacillidae

African Pied Wagtail

Motacilla aguimp

(1) 2 Livingstone 8.8.

# Mammals (52 in total: 52 seen)

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

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Wild, NT = Near Threatened, DD = Data Deficient

# **Namibia**

# Elephant Shrews Macroscelididae

#### **Round-eared Sengi**

Macroscelides proboscideus

(1) 1 Gammam Water Care Works 22.7.

# Elephants Elephantidae

### **African Elephant**

Loxodonta africana

(6) 5 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 25 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7, 15 Etosha NP-- Halali 30.7, 30 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 2 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8 and 15 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8.

## 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 africaeaustralis

(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

(6) 15 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7, 15 Mokuti Lodge 30.7, 6 Mokuti Lodge 31.7, 2 Katima Mulilo 5.8, 5 Katima Mulilo 6.8 and 2 Zambezi Mubala Lodge 7.8.

**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

(6) 1 Namib-Naukluft National Park 24.7, 2 Paaltjies 25.7, 1 Outju 27.7, 6 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 5 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7 and 2 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7.

#### Weasels, Skunks, Otters Mustelidae

**Spotted-necked Otter** 

Lutra maculicollis

(1) 1 Bwabwata NP--Divundu 4.8.

**Honey Badger** 

*Mellivora capensis* 

(2) 2 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7 and 1 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7.

## Sea Lions Otariidae

#### Afro-Australian Fur Seal

Arctocephalus pusillus

(1) 5 Walvis Bay 25.7.

## Zebras, Horse, Asses Equidae

Plains Zebra

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

White Rhinoceros

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

## **Common Warthog**

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

#### **Common Bottlenose Dolphin**

Tursiops truncatus truncatus

(1) 4 Langstrand 25.7.

### Hippopotamuses Hippopotamidae

#### **Hippopotamus**

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

#### **Impala**

*Aepyceros melampus* 

(8) 5 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 6 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 50 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7, 50 Etosha NP-- Halali 30.7, 100 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 1 Rundu 1.8, 25 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8 and 30 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8.

#### 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

(7) 6 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 50 Namib-Naukluft National Park 24.7, 10 Erongo Mountains 26.7, 200 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 200 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7, 200 Etosha NP-- Halali 30.7 and 300 Etosha-Namutoni 31.7.

**Common Wildebeest** 

Connochaetes taurinus

(5) 10 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 50 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 150 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7, 150 Etosha NP-- Halali 30.7 and 80 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7.

**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

(6) 2 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 50 Namib-Naukluft National Park 24.7, 30 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7,

20 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7, 25 Etosha NP-- Halali 30.7 and 15 Etosha NP--Andoni Plains 31.7.

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

(7) 1 Outju 27.7, 6 Etosha Village Lodge 28.7, 30 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7, 15 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7, 10 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 20 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8 and 15 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR

4.8.

# Giraffe, Okapi Giraffidae

#### Giraffe

Giraffa camelopardalis

(8) 10 Daan Viljoen GR 23.7, 20 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7, 5 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 29.7, 20 Etosha- Namutoni 30.7, 30 Etosha- Namutoni 31.7, 1 Mokuti Lodge 1.8, 3 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 2.8 and 10 Bwabwata NP--Mahango GR 4.8.

# **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

(1) 25 Chobe NP--Ngoma Bridge area 7.8.

**African Buffalo** Syncerus caffer

(1) 50 Chobe NP--Kasane, North-West District 7.8.

**Bushbuck** Tragelaphus scriptus

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

Sitatunga Tragelaphus spekii

(2) 5 Xaro Lodge 3.8 and 3 Xaro Lodge 4.8.

Greater Kudu Tragelaphus strepsiceros

(1) 5 Chobe NP--Ngoma Bridge area 7.8.

# Zambia

## Elephants Elephantidae

**African Elephant** 

Loxodonta africana

(1) 15 Livingstone 7.8.

# Old World monkeys Cercopithecidae

Chacma Baboon

Papio ursinus

(1) 1 Livingstone 7.8.

## Hippopotamuses Hippopotamidae

**Hippopotamus** 

Hippopotamus amphibius capensis

(1) 1 Livingstone 8.8.

# Reptiles (6 in total: 6 seen)

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Wild, NT = Near Threatened, DD = Data Deficient

# Namibia

## Geckos Gekkonidae

**Bibron's Thick-toed Gecko** 

Chondrodactylus bibronii

(2) 1 Mokuti Lodge 30.7 and 1 Mokuti Lodge 31.7.

Skinks Scincidae

**African Striped Skink** 

Trachylepis striata wahlbergi

(1) 1 Namibgrens 23.7.

Elapidae Elapidae

Western Barred Cobra

Naja nigricincta

(1) 1 Etosha NP-- Halali 29.7.

## Vipers Viperidae

#### **Horned Adder**

Bitis caudalis

(1) 1 Etosha NP--Okaukuejo 28.7.

## Crocodiles and relatives Crocodylidae

#### Nile Crocodile

Crocodylus niloticus cowiei

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

# Botswana

## Skinks Scincidae

# Variegated Skink

Trachylepis variegata

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

## Crocodiles and relatives Crocodylidae

#### **Nile Crocodile**

Crocodylus niloticus cowiei

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

# Amphibians (1 in total: 1 heard)

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# Namibia

#### True toads Bufonidae

#### Flatbacked Toad

Amietophrynus maculatus

(1) 1 heard Mokuti Lodge 31.7.

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