

SOUTH AFRICA: 8 JULY – 5 AUGUST 2004

ITINERARY

Date	Morning	Afternoon	Highlights
8 th	Travelling	De Hoop	Caracal
9 th	De Hoop	De Hoop	Southern Right Whale
10 th	Travelling	Karoo NP	Aardwolf
11 th	Karoo NP	Travelling	Blesbok
12 th	Travelling	Drakensberg	Wattled Crane, Black Wildebeest
13 th	Dlinzi Forest, Eshowe	False Bay	Blus Duiker
14 th	Cape Vidal	False Bay	Samango Monkey
15 th	Hluhluwe	Mkuze	Leopard
16 th	Mkuze	Mkuze	Suni, Leopard
17 th	Mkuze	Mkuze	Bushpig, Aardvark
18 th	Mkuze	Ndumo	-
19 th	Ndumo	Ndumo	Southern Porcupine, Serval, Large-spotted Genet
20 th	Ndumo	Ndumo	Bushpig, Large-spotted Genet
21 st	Travelling	Ithala	-
22 nd	Ithala	Travelling	-
23 rd	Nylsvley	Pietersberg Nature Reserve	Roan, Sable
24 th	Travelling	Kruger (Mopani area)	African Wildcat
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26 th	Kruger (Mopani-Olifants)	Kruger (Olifants area)	Lion
27 th	Kruger (Olifants-Satara)	Kruger (Satara-Sweni Road)	Lion, Cheetah, African Wildcat
28 th	Kruger (Satara area)	Kruger (Satara area)	Lion, Spotted Hyaena
29 th	Kruger (Satara-Pretoriuskop)	Kruger (Pretoriuskop area)	Side-striped Jackal, African Wildcat
30 th	Kruger (Pretoriuskop area)	Travelling	-
31 st	Pilanesberg	Pilanesberg	Cheetah, Brown Hyaena
1 st	Pilanesberg	Pilanesberg	20+ White Rhino
2 nd	Travelling	Travelling	-
3 rd	Travelling	West Coast NP	-
4 th	Yzerfontein	West Coast NP	Shy Albatross, Heaviside's Dolphin, Caracal
5 th	Cape Town	Cape Town	-

MAMMALS

Lesser Bushbaby	▪ Singles Pretoriuskop & Pilanesberg night drives, largely eyeshine
Thick-tailed Bushbaby	▪ Mkuze, at least seven seen on three night drives, all seen well, others heard
Southern Porcupine	▪ Ndumo, 10 & 6 seen on the two night drives, 12 seen well, the others eyeshine only
Chacma Baboon	▪ Five first Ndumo night drive
Vervet Monkey	▪ Recorded at De Hoop, Karoo NP, Hluhluwe, Mkuze, Ithala, Pietersberg Nature Reserve, Kruger & Pilanesberg
Samango Monkey	▪ Recorded E of Beaufort West, False Bay, Cape Vidal, Hluhluwe, Mkuze, Ndumo, Ithala, Nylsvley, Pietersberg Nature Reserve, Kruger & Pilanesberg.
	▪ 7+ Cape Vidal

Cape Hare
Scrub Hare**Striped Mouse**
Pouched Mouse**Tree Mouse**
Mouse spVlei Rat
Molerat sp
Ground Squirrel
Tree Squirrel
Spotted HyenaBrown Hyena
LionLeopard
Cheetah
Serval
Caracal
African Wild Cat**Bat-eared Fox**
Side-striped Jackal
Black-backed Jackal

Large-spotted Genet

Small-spotted Genet
Genet spMeerkat
Yellow Mongoose
Slender Mongoose
Little Grey Mongoose
Large Grey Mongoose
White-tailed Mongoose
Banded Mongoose
Dwarf Mongoose
Aardwolf
Aardvark
Rock Hyrax
African Elephant
White Rhinoceros

Hippopotamus

Warthog

Bush Pig

- Only seen at De Hoop, at least 4 seen.
- Up to 5 seen on most night drives in Karoo, Mkuze, Ndumo, Ithala, Kruger & Pilanesberg.
- 10+ De Hoop
- One Mopani night drive Kruger. Being 'played with' by an African Wildcat
- One in one of the hides at Ndumo
- A number were seen dashing across roads. Singles seen at Hluhluwe Hotel & Mopani Rest Camp were either Multimammate or Natal Multimammate Mice
- Two Karoo NP
- Singles between Brandvlei & Calvinia & at West Coast NP
- One E of Bethlehem
- Small numbers Nylsvley, Kruger & Pilanesberg.
- One Hluhluwe, five on night drives in Mkuze, heard Ndumo, three Kruger (Satara area)
- One Pilanesberg night drive
- Kruger, two females plus 3 cubs near Olifants, two males on a giraffe kill Gudzani, male plus female Sweni Road, female Nwanetsi Road
- Immature and mature male seen on Mkuze night drives
- Three (probably males) Sweni Road Kruger. Two males Pilanesberg
- One Ndumo night drive
- One De Hoop, two West Coast NP
- Singles on three night drives in Kruger, two near Mopani, one near Satara. One playing with a Pouched Mouse. Another S of Satara early morning.
- Four Karoo NP, three Gardap Dam Nature Reserve
- One near Pretoriuskop, Kruger
- Amazingly only one seen in Kruger along Ngotso Weir Road
- Three Pilanesberg night drive
- Mkuze, two seen, eyeshine only on third night drive
- Ndumo, excellent views of seven seen on two night drives
- Two in Kruger on the Satara night drive
- Unidentified genets in Mopani Rest Camp and on the Satara & Pretoriuskop night drive were probably Large & Small-spotted respectively
- 5+ Gardap Dam Nature Reserve
- Two NW of De Hoop, 2+ DE Hoop, one SW of Lichtenberg
- Small numbers Mkuze, Ndumo, Kruger (at least 7) & Pilanesberg
- Singles DE Hoop, N of De Hoop, Karoo NP & Yzerfontein
- Single W of Skukuza, Kruger (outside normal range in park)
- One, eyeshine only, Mkuze
- C.20 Cape Vidal
- Seen on two days in southern Kruger, c.15 individuals in total
- One Karoo NP
- One Mkuze night drive
- 1-5 De Hoop, Ithala & Pilanesberg
- Four Hluhluwe, c.15 Ithala, 100+ Kruger. 30+ Pilanesberg
- Two Hluhluwe, two Mkuze, six Ndumo, three Ithala, six Kruger, 20+ Pilanesberg
- Up to 30 Hluhluwe, False Bay, Mkuze, Ndumo & Pilanesberg, 50+ Kruger
- Small numbers Hluhluwe, Mkuze, Ithala & Pilanesberg. Common Ndumo. Remarkably scarce in Kruger, a total of seven being seen on 2 days, may reflect difficulty of viewing due to long grass.
- Singles Mkuze & Ndumo night drive.

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Giraffe	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Recorded at Hluhluwe, Mkuze, Ithala, Pietersberg Nature Reserve, Kruger & Pilanesberg
Burchell's Zebra	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Recorded at Karoo NP, Gardap Nature Reserve, False Bay, Hluhluwe, Mkuze, Ithala, Pietersberg Nature Reserve, Kruger & Pilanesberg. 200+ in Olifants/Satara area of Kruger.
Cape Mountain Zebra	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Small numbers, less than 10, De Hoop & Karoo NP
Blue Wildebeest	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Recorded at Karoo NP, False Bay, Hluhluwe, Mkuze, Ndumo, Ithala, Nylsvley, Kruger, Pilanesberg & West Coast NP. 200+ in Olifants/Satara area of Kruger.
Black Wildebeest	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 30+ Kamberg
Red Hartebeest	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Small numbers Karoo NP, Ithala & Pilanesberg. All introduced
Roan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ c.50 Nylsvley originating from introduced stock of 24. Several calves.
Sable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Nine males Pietersberg Nature Reserve, two males Pilanesberg.
Blesbok	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 50+ Gardap Dam Nature Reserve, one Drakensberg
Bontebok	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Up to 30 De Hoop, 16 West Coast NP
Tsessebe	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Up to 20 Ithala, Nylsvley, Pietersberg Nature Reserve, Kruger & Pilanesberg
Common Duiker	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Small numbers Mkuze (5+), Pietersberg Nature Reserve (2), Kruger (2), Pilanesberg (1) & West Coast NP (2). Common (15+) Ndumo
Red Duiker	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 10+ False Bay, two Cape Vidal, one Hluhluwe, one Mkuze, 5+ Ndumo
Blue Duiker	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Four Dlinzi Forest Eshowe
Springbok	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Small numbers Karoo NP, Gardap Dam Nature Reserve, Pilanesberg, S of Brandvlei & West Coast NP, all introduced.
Klipspringer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ One Karoo NP, two Kruger (near Mopani)
Steenbok	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Small numbers Karoo NP, Kruger & Pilanesberg. Common 15+ West Coast NP
Suni	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Four Mkuze, three Ndumo
Impala	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Common Hluhluwe, Mkuze, Ndumo, Ithala, Pietersberg Nature Reserve, Kruger & Pilanesberg.
Grey Rhebok	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ten De Hoop
Gemsbok	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ One Karoo NP, ten Gardap Dam Nature Reserve (introduced)
Cape Buffalo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Male Hluhluwe. Two Ndumo, two males Ithala, five sightings in Kruger including herd of 400+ near Sweni Bridge & 100+ on Timbavati River Road
Eland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ c.100 De Hoop, singles Ithala & Pilanesberg
Kudu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Recorded at De Hoop, Karoo NP, Bay, Hluhluwe, Mkuze, Ndumo, Ithala, Pietersberg Nature Reserve, Kruger & Pilanesberg.
Nyala	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Four Hluhluwe, common Mkuze, abundant Ndumo, c.10 Pietersberg Nature Reserve
Common Reedbuck	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Four Greater St Lucia, two Ndumo, four Ithala, 15+ Nylsvley
Bushbuck	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ One Cape Vidal, three Ithala, 2+ Kruger & two Pilanesberg
Waterbuck	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Small numbers recorded at Mkuze, Ithala, Pietersberg Nature Reserve, Kruger & Pilanesberg.
Cape Fur Seal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Four Yzerfontein
Heaviside's Dolphin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Three Yzerfontein
Bottle-nosed Dolphin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 5+ De Hoop, 3+ Cape Vidal
Southern Right Whale	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 20+ De Hoop, awesome performance, breaching the works, some so close inshore that they looked like lines of rocks with waves breaking over them.
Humpback Whale	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Three Cape Vidal