

Kenya May 19-20 2023 Lake Nakuru National Park

After leaving Samburu we had a long drive with two stops along the way with local guides to find some target birds. We arrived at the gate at Lake Nakuru National Park as night was falling, and though we had a short drive to the lodge, we did have a **Spotted Hyena** scoot across the road.

In the morning, walking out to the vehicle an **Eastern Rock Hyrax** grazed between the buildings.



And while loading the vehicle, we spotted a whole colony of **Eastern Rock Hyraxes** basking on the building's roof.



After driving out into the park we soon saw a **Rothschild's Giraffe**,



then as we closed in on the lake we saw **Eastern Warthogs**,



Grant's Zebra,





Cape Buffalo,



Southern White Rhinoceros,



more **Grant's Zebras**,



Defassa Waterbuck,



more **Eastern Warthogs**,



Thomson's Gazelle,



and more **Southern White Rhinoceros.**



Finally at the rift lake, besides the famous flamingos we saw **East African Elands**.



On the way out there were large herds of **Cape Buffalo**, **East African Elands**, **Grant's Zebra**,



and **Thomson's Gazelle**.



Mammal List for Lake Nakuru National Park

Spotted Hyena (*Crocuta crocuta*)

Eastern Rock Hyrax (*Procavia capensis johnstoni*)

Rothschild's Giraffe (*Giraffa camelopardalis rothschildi*)

Eastern Warthog (*Phacochoerus africanus massaicus*)

Grant's Zebra (*Equus quagga boehmi*)

Cape Buffalo (*Syncerus caffer caffer*)

Southern White Rhinoceros (*Ceratotherium simum simum*)

Defassa Waterbuck (*Kobus ellipsiprymnus defassa*)

Thomson's Gazelle (*Eudorcas thomsonii*)

East African Eland (*Tragelaphus oryx pattersonianus*)