SOFALA · MOZAMBIQUE

Gorongosa National Park

Floodplain, palm savanna and miombo woodland around Lake Urema, restored since 2004: huge herds of waterbuck with oribi, sable and buffalo, lions and reintroduced wild dogs, crocodiles and hippos, and wetlands full of storks, pelicans and cranes.

141 animals 37 mammals, 92 birds, 7 reptiles, 3 amphibians and 2 butterflies **Best time:** May to Nov

Seen _____ of 141

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01 Predators 11

- ☐ Lion
- ☐ African Wild Dog
- ☐ Leopard Rare
- ☐ Spotted Hyena Rare
- ☐ Side-striped Jackal
- ☐ Banded Mongoose
- ☐ Marsh Mongoose
- ☐ Rusty-spotted Genet
- ☐ African Civet
- ☐ Honey Badger Rare
- ☐ Serval Rare

02 Elephants, buffalo and big grazers 5

- ☐ African Savanna Elephant
- ☐ Cape Buffalo
- ☐ Common Hippopotamus
- ☐ Plains Zebra
- ☐ Blue Wildebeest

03 Antelope and pigs 14

- ☐ Waterbuck
- ☐ Oribi
- ☐ Impala
- ☐ Southern Reedbuck
- ☐ Bushbuck
- ☐ Nyala

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03 Antelope and pigs continued

- ☐ Common Warthog
- ☐ Sable Antelope
- ☐ Hartebeest
- ☐ Greater Kudu
- ☐ Common Duiker
- ☐ Common Eland Rare
- ☐ Suni Rare
- ☐ Bushpig Rare

04 Primates and small mammals 7

- ☐ Chacma Baboon
- ☐ Vervet Monkey
- ☐ Sykes's Monkey Rare
- ☐ Thick-tailed Bushbaby
- ☐ Tree Squirrel
- ☐ Scrub Hare
- ☐ Ground Pangolin Rare

05 Storks, pelicans and big waterbirds 12

- ☐ African Openbill
- ☐ Marabou Stork
- ☐ Yellow-billed Stork
- ☐ Saddle-billed Stork
- ☐ African Woolly-necked Stork
- ☐ Great White Pelican
- ☐ Pink-backed Pelican

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05 Storks, pelicans and big waterbirds continued

- [ ] African Spoonbill
- [ ] African Sacred Ibis
- [ ] Hamerkop
- [ ] Grey Crowned Crane
- [ ] Wattled Crane

06 Herons, ducks, waders and kingfishers 22

- [ ] Goliath Heron
- [ ] Grey Heron
- [ ] Black-headed Heron
- [ ] Great Egret
- [ ] Little Egret
- [ ] Western Cattle Egret
- [ ] Squacco Heron
- [ ] Black Heron
- [ ] African Darter
- [ ] Egyptian Goose
- [ ] Spur-winged Goose
- [ ] White-faced Whistling Duck
- [ ] Knob-billed Duck
- [ ] African Pygmy Goose
- [ ] African Jacana
- [ ] Blacksmith Lapwing
- [ ] Water Thick-knee
- [ ] Collared Pratincole
- [ ] Pied Kingfisher
- [ ] Malachite Kingfisher
- [ ] Brown-hooded Kingfisher
- [ ] Woodland Kingfisher

07 Birds of prey and owls 15

- [ ] African Fish Eagle
- [ ] Bateleur
- [ ] Wahlberg's Eagle
- [ ] Brown Snake Eagle
- [ ] Yellow-billed Kite

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07 Birds of prey and owls continued

- [ ] Long-crested Eagle
- [ ] Tawny Eagle
- [ ] Martial Eagle
- [ ] Southern Banded Snake Eagle Rare
- [ ] African Crowned Eagle Rare
- [ ] White-backed Vulture
- [ ] Palm-nut Vulture
- [ ] Verreaux's Eagle-Owl
- [ ] Pearl-spotted Owlet
- [ ] Pel's Fishing Owl Rare

08 Hornbills, rollers and bee-eaters 12

- [ ] Southern Ground Hornbill
- [ ] Crowned Hornbill
- [ ] Trumpeter Hornbill
- [ ] Southern Yellow-billed Hornbill
- [ ] African Grey Hornbill
- [ ] Silvery-cheeked Hornbill Rare
- [ ] Lilac-breasted Roller
- [ ] Racket-tailed Roller
- [ ] White-fronted Bee-eater
- [ ] Little Bee-eater
- [ ] Southern Carmine Bee-eater
- [ ] Böhm's Bee-eater

09 Woodland and savanna birds 31

- [ ] Helmeted Guineafowl
- [ ] Crested Guineafowl
- [ ] Crested Francolin
- [ ] Red-necked Spurfowl
- [ ] Ring-necked Dove
- [ ] Emerald-spotted Wood Dove
- [ ] African Green Pigeon
- [ ] Purple-crested Turaco
- [ ] Livingstone's Turaco
- [ ] Meyer's Parrot

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09 Woodland and savanna birds continued

- [ ] Brown-headed Parrot
- [ ] White-browed Coucal
- [ ] Narina Trogon
- [ ] Black-collared Barbet
- [ ] Crested Barbet
- [ ] Fork-tailed Drongo
- [ ] Black-headed Oriole
- [ ] Green-headed Oriole Rare
- [ ] Arnot's Chat
- [ ] Retz's Helmetshrike
- [ ] Tropical Boubou
- [ ] Orange-breasted Bushshrike
- [ ] Yellow-throated Longclaw
- [ ] Rosy-throated Longclaw
- [ ] Red-billed Oxpecker
- [ ] Greater Blue-eared Starling
- [ ] Arrow-marked Babbler

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09 Woodland and savanna birds continued

- [ ] Dark-capped Bulbul
- [ ] African Paradise Flycatcher
- [ ] Scarlet-chested Sunbird
- [ ] Blue-breasted Cordon-bleu

10 Reptiles, amphibians and butterflies 12

- [ ] Nile Crocodile
- [ ] Nile Monitor
- [ ] Rock Monitor
- [ ] African Rock Python Rare
- [ ] Black Mamba Rare
- [ ] Puff Adder Rare
- [ ] Flap-necked Chameleon
- [ ] Guttural Toad
- [ ] Painted Reed Frog
- [ ] Southern Foam Nest Frog
- [ ] Plain Tiger
- [ ] Citrus Swallowtail

My trip

FROM _____ TO _____

TRAVELLING WITH _____

STAYING AT _____ SEEN _____ OF 141

FIRST ANIMAL WE SAW _____

BEST MOMENT _____

FIELD NOTES AND SKETCHES

KEEP IT IN WILDER

Tick them off in the app

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BEST TIME

May to Nov

A guide, not a guarantee: what you see depends on season, luck and patience. Give wildlife space and never feed it. Follow the local rules on distance.