

NAROK COUNTY · KENYA

Masai Mara National Reserve



Kenya's most famous reserve: big cat country, and the Mara River crossings when the migration arrives from July to October.

72 species to look for: 37 mammals, 32 birds and 3 reptiles.

☐ Tick it when you see it _____ Note the date and place *Italic notes* say where to look Seen _____ of 72

SPECIES	DATE AND PLACE
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01 The Big Five

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☐ Lion <i>Large prides in the Musiara Marsh and the conservancies</i>	
☐ Leopard	
☐ African Savanna Elephant <i>Family herds in the woodland and marshes, often crossing the plains at dusk</i>	
☐ Cape Buffalo	
☐ Black Rhinoceros Rare <i>A small, closely guarded population; rare</i>	

02 Grazers and browsers

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☐ Wildebeest	<i>River crossings from July to October; let the herds choose their crossing and keep vehicles back</i>
☐ Plains Zebra	
☐ Thomson's Gazelle	
☐ Grant's Gazelle	
☐ Topi	<i>Standing on termite mounds as lookouts</i>
☐ Coke's Hartebeest	
☐ Eland	
☐ Impala	
☐ Waterbuck	
☐ Masai Giraffe	<i>Acacia woodland along the rivers and in the conservancies</i>
☐ Hippopotamus	<i>Crowded pools along the Mara River</i>
☐ Warthog	
☐ Bohor Reedbuck	

SPECIES	DATE AND PLACE
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02 Grazers and browsers

CONTINUED

☐ Oribi	
☐ Kirk's Dik-dik	
☐ Bushbuck	

03 Hunters

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☐ Cheetah	<i>Open plains in the conservancies and the south of the reserve</i>
☐ Spotted Hyena	<i>Clans around their kills on the plains at dawn</i>
☐ African Golden Wolf	
☐ Black-backed Jackal	
☐ Side-striped Jackal	
☐ Bat-eared Fox	<i>Short-grass plains in the early morning and evening</i>
☐ Serval	
☐ Honey Badger	
☐ African Civet	

04 Smaller mammals

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☐ Olive Baboon	
☐ Vervet Monkey	
☐ Banded Mongoose	
☐ Dwarf Mongoose	
☐ Slender Mongoose	
☐ Rock Hyrax	
☐ Springhare	
<i>Night drives in the conservancies</i>	

SPECIES	DATE AND PLACE
06 Big birds	CONTINUED
☐ Hamerkop	
☐ Egyptian Goose	
☐ Helmeted Guineafowl	
07 Colourful birds	11
☐ Lilac-breasted Roller	
☐ Superb Starling	
☐ Schalow's Turaco <i>Riverine forest along the Mara and Talek rivers</i>	
☐ Rosy-throated Longclaw <i>Wet grassland; a Mara speciality</i>	
☐ Rufous-naped Lark	
☐ Grey-backed Fiscal	
☐ Red-billed Oxpecker	
☐ Yellow-billed Oxpecker	
☐ Crowned Lapwing	
☐ Spur-winged Lapwing	
☐ Hadada Ibis	
08 Reptiles and amphibians	3
☐ Nile Crocodile	
☐ Nile Monitor	
☐ Leopard Tortoise	

FROM _____ TO _____

TRAVELLING WITH _____

STAYING AT _____ SEEN _____ of 72

FIRST ANIMAL WE SAW _____

BEST MOMENT _____



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