SAMBURU AND ISIOLO COUNTIES · KENYA

Samburu, Buffalo Springs and Shaba

Hot, dry bush along the Ewaso Nyiro River in northern Kenya, home to the Samburu Special Five that you won't find in the Mara.

109 animals 47 mammals, 55 birds, 6 reptiles and 1 amphibian **Best time:** Jun to Oct, Jan to Mar

Seen _____ of 109

ANIMAL DATE AND PLACE

01 Samburu Special Five 5

- ☐ Grévy's Zebra
- ☐ Reticulated Giraffe
- ☐ Beisa Oryx
- ☐ Gerenuk
- ☐ Somali Ostrich

02 Big game 7

- ☐ African Savanna Elephant
- ☐ Lion
- ☐ Leopard
- ☐ Cheetah
- ☐ Spotted Hyena
- ☐ Cape Buffalo
- ☐ Hippopotamus

03 Grazers and browsers 11

- ☐ Grant's Gazelle
- ☐ Impala
- ☐ Waterbuck
- ☐ Kirk's Dik-dik
- ☐ Günther's Dik-dik
- ☐ Warthog
- ☐ Plains Zebra
- ☐ Lesser Kudu

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03 Grazers and browsers continued

- ☐ Klipspringer
- ☐ Kudu Rare
- ☐ Eland Rare

04 Hunters 12

- ☐ Black-backed Jackal
- ☐ Bat-eared Fox
- ☐ Honey Badger
- ☐ Common Genet
- ☐ White-tailed Mongoose
- ☐ Striped Hyena Rare
- ☐ Aardwolf Rare
- ☐ African Wild Dog Rare
- ☐ Caracal Rare
- ☐ African Wildcat Rare
- ☐ Serval Rare
- ☐ Zorilla Rare

05 Smaller mammals 13

- ☐ Olive Baboon
- ☐ Vervet Monkey
- ☐ Dwarf Mongoose
- ☐ Banded Mongoose
- ☐ Slender Mongoose
- ☐ Rock Hyrax

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05 Smaller mammals continued

- [ ] Bush Hyrax
- [ ] Unstriped Ground Squirrel
- [ ] Ochre Bush Squirrel
- [ ] Cape Hare
- [ ] Northern Lesser Galago
- [ ] Crested Porcupine Rare
- [ ] Aardvark Rare

06 Northern specials 11

- [ ] Vulturine Guineafowl
- [ ] Golden-breasted Starling
- [ ] Bristle-crowned Starling
- [ ] Somali Bee-eater
- [ ] White-headed Mousebird
- [ ] Donaldson Smith's Sparrow-Weaver
- [ ] Black-capped Social Weaver
- [ ] Golden Pipit
- [ ] Shining Sunbird
- [ ] Fan-tailed Raven
- [ ] Black-faced Sandgrouse

07 Birds of prey 11

- [ ] Tawny Eagle
- [ ] Bateleur
- [ ] Martial Eagle
- [ ] African Fish Eagle
- [ ] Secretary Bird
- [ ] Eastern Chanting Goshawk
- [ ] Pygmy Falcon
- [ ] White-backed Vulture
- [ ] Rüppell's Vulture
- [ ] Lappet-faced Vulture
- [ ] Verreaux's Eagle-Owl

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08 Bush and river birds 32

- [ ] Helmeted Guineafowl
- [ ] Yellow-necked Spurfowl
- [ ] Crested Francolin
- [ ] Kori Bustard
- [ ] Buff-crested Bustard
- [ ] Lilac-breasted Roller
- [ ] Superb Starling
- [ ] Fischer's Starling
- [ ] Red-billed Oxpecker
- [ ] Red-billed Hornbill
- [ ] Eastern Yellow-billed Hornbill
- [ ] Von der Decken's Hornbill
- [ ] White-throated Bee-eater
- [ ] Little Bee-eater
- [ ] D'Arnaud's Barbet
- [ ] White-bellied Go-away-bird
- [ ] Blue-naped Mousebird
- [ ] Red-billed Buffalo Weaver
- [ ] White-headed Buffalo Weaver
- [ ] Grey-capped Social Weaver
- [ ] Vitelline Masked Weaver
- [ ] Purple Grenadier
- [ ] Red-cheeked Cordon-bleu
- [ ] Rosy-patched Bushshrike
- [ ] Taita Fiscal
- [ ] Northern White-crowned Shrike
- [ ] Red-bellied Parrot
- [ ] Crowned Lapwing
- [ ] Spur-winged Lapwing
- [ ] Egyptian Goose
- [ ] Goliath Heron
- [ ] Hamerkop

	ANIMAL	DATE AND PLACE
09	**Reptiles and amphibians** 7	
☐	Nile Crocodile	
☐	Nile Monitor	
☐	Leopard Tortoise	
☐	Red-headed Rock Agama	

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09	**Reptiles and amphibians** continued	
☐	Striped Skink	
☐	African Rock Python Rare	
☐	Guttural Toad	

My trip

FROM _____ TO _____

TRAVELLING WITH _____

STAYING AT _____ SEEN _____ OF 109

FIRST ANIMAL WE SAW _____

BEST MOMENT _____

FIELD NOTES AND SKETCHES

ALSO SEEN, NOT ON THIS LIST

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KEEP IT IN WILDER

Tick them off in the app

Scan to open this checklist in Wilder. Add your photos, see your whole trip, earn badges and the Samburu passport stamp, and watch your life list grow.

BEST TIME

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Samburu is hot and dry for most of the year, which is what makes it so good for game.

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.