

Deep sand road - the Kalahari of southwestern Botswana.

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The Kalahari at Mabuasehube in southwestern Botswana—
ideal lion country.

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Three female Kudu (*Tragelaphus strepsiceros*), ever alert,
drinking at the Chobe River, Kasane, Botswana.

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A matriarch African elephant (*Loxodonta africana*) leading
the way across a dirt road in the Chobe National Park,
Botswana.

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The bark of a camel thorn (*Acacia erioloba*) ripped off with their tusks and eaten by the giants (*Loxodonta africana*) of Africa in the Chobe National Park, Botswana.

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A lioness (*Panthera leo*) lying relaxed on the sand at the edge of a dry pan in the Kalahari at Mabuasehube in southwestern Botswana.

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An inquisitive lioness (*Panthera leo*) investigating the intruders at a pan in the Kalahari at Mabuasehube in southwestern Botswana.

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Evidence of his last meal still visible in the extended belly, a male lion (*Panthera leo*) is showing interest in the intrusion in his territory at a pan in the Kalahari at Mabuasehube in southwestern Botswana.

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A hazy view of the majestic Zambezi river at the Mana Pools National Park, Zimbabwe (Zambia is on the opposite side) as it meanders its way to the east coast of Southern Africa.

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Sunset over the flood plains, southern banks of the Zambezi river at the Mana Pools National Park, Zimbabwe.

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A patch of grass on the flood plains, southern banks of the Zambezi river at the Mana Pools National Park, Zimbabwe.

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A treacherous thicket next to the flood plains, southern banks of the Zambezi river at the Mana Pools National Park, Zimbabwe - hard to believe but it is excellent lion country!

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A treacherous thicket next to the dirt road, southern banks of the Zambezi river at the Mana Pools National Park, Zimbabwe — again, excellent lion country!

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A leopard (*Panthera pardus*) - the quintessential cat - melting away in its environment among a few sparse tufts of grass and rocks.

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The black-backed jackal (*Canis mesomelas*) - persecuted vehemently by farmers for its predatory habits on domesticated small livestock - having a quiet drink at sunset.

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A sub-adult male African lion (*Panthera leo*) strolling in the typical undisturbed stride of lions across a dusty patch in the Kalahari desert.

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A bat-eared fox (*Otocyon megalotis*) - its principle food items are insects, especially harvester termites (*Hodotermes mossambicus*), although ill-informed laymen still maintain that they actively predate on small domesticated livestock.

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The placid face of an adult male African lion (*Panthera leo*)—staring into nowhere. It is the top African predator and the flagship wildlife species of the continent.

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An adult African lioness (*Panthera leo*) with swollen mammae having to contend with a playful young cub biting at her heels.

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Giraffes (*Giraffa camelopardalis*) browsing trees high above the ground in the Kruger National Park, South Africa.

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An African elephant (*Loxodonta africana*) bull emerging from the bush in the Kruger National Park, South Africa.

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An impala (*Aepyceros melampus melampus*) ewe observing for lurking danger from predators in the Kruger National Park, South Africa.

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A Burchell's zebra (*Equus burchellii*) grazing short grass in the Kruger National Park, South Africa.

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A baobab tree (*Adansonia digitata*) spreading its root-like branches in the sky in the Kruger National Park, South Africa.

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A herd of African buffaloes (*Syncerus caffer*) with calves at foot - feared and respected for their aggression when threatened - the Kruger National Park, South Africa.

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An African lioness (*Panthera leo*) almost completely hidden by tall grass and shrubs; showing another aspect of the much broader lion habitat than simply the open plains of Africa - the Kruger National Park, South Africa.

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A spotted hyaena (*Crocuta crocuta*) partially hidden by tall grass and shrubs; showing another aspect of the diverse habitat of the large African predators - the Kruger National Park, South Africa.

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A finger rock on a rocky hillside in eastern Ethiopia.

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Captive African lions (*Panthera leo*) - note the well-developed manes of the three males - and two metal statues of maned lions at the entrance to the lion zoo in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. [group of 6 Photos] HO de Waal 21 September 2001



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Adult members and small cubs of a clan of spotted hyaena (*Crocuta crocuta*) in the Hwange National Park, Zimbabwe - note the typical dark, almost black body colour of the small cubs.

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A spotted hyaena (*Crocuta crocuta*) female and her young cub resting in the Hwange National Park, Zimbabwe.

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A small spotted hyaena (*Crocuta crocuta*) cub peering inquisitively from the shadow of a rock in the Hwange National Park, Zimbabwe - note the typical dark, almost black body colour of small cubs.

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An immobilised spotted hyaena (*Crocuta crocuta*) being fitted with a radio collar in the Hwange National Park, Zimbabwe - showing an anti-snaring device and fluorescent banding on the radio collar.

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A spotted hyaena (*Crocuta crocuta*) female and her small cub in the Hwange National Park, Zimbabwe - note the typical dark, almost black body colour of the cub.

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The following group of photos (41 - 47) depict a range of so-called "maneless" adult male African lions (*Panthera leo*), typical of southeastern Kenya - in and around Tsavo National Park.



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A pride African lion (*Panthera leo*) male on a ranch - outside Tsavo National Park, Kenya.

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Nomadic African lion (*Panthera leo*) male on a ranch - outside Tsavo National Park, Kenya.

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Radio collared pride African lion (*Panthera leo*) male on a ranch - outside Tsavo National Park, Kenya.

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Scruffy-looking African lion (*Panthera leo*) male, Tsavo East National Park, Kenya.

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An African lion (*Panthera leo*) male strolling away in tall grass, shrubs and trees; showing yet another aspect of the broad lion habitat generally perceived to be only the wide open plains of Africa - the Kruger National Park, South Africa.

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Lions are very opportunistic - an adult male African lion (*Panthera leo*) taking advantage of the coolness of an ablution facility in the Kalahari, Mabuasehube, southwestern Botswana.

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An adult male brown hyaena (*Hyaena brunnae*) foraging at the Wolf Bay seal colony (about 15 km south of Luderitz, Namibia) before the start of the pupping season.

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