



Ministry of Environment
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Carnivore distribution in Namibia

There are about 34 carnivore species in Namibia, ranging from meerkat, mongooses, genets and small cats to hyaenas, wild dog and large cats (cheetah, leopard & lion). We are currently working to improve the information we have on the distribution of these carnivores. **Please help us fill in the gaps.**

The following pages list all the carnivore species in Namibia, together with a distribution map and a photograph. For most species, particularly the smaller species, there is limited information on their distribution. The attached maps were prepared using museum specimens (from the Namibian State Museum and eight other museums around the world), sightings, camera trap information, information from satellite collared animals, road kills etc.

You can see more detail on the Atlasing in Namibia website (www.the-eis.com/atlas) and you can also enter new records there.

We are approaching farmers, tourism lodges, tour guides, hunters, conservancies, park staff and other people working in different parts of Namibia and potentially interested in carnivores, to contribute their sightings and other records.

You can email your sightings and records to us at carnivore.atlas@gmail.com.

Please provide as much information as possible:

- * **Location** where the carnivore was seen (coordinates – either GPS or monad (1 minute by 1 minute grid), pentad (5' x 5' grid), ¼ degree square (15' x 15' grid), or farm name with farm number and district / region, or description of location (e.g. lodge name and general location).
- * **Date** when the sighting was made
- * **Species** seen
- Any other information would be useful, such as:
 - whether the species is common or unusual
 - farm type (cattle/game/mixed/tourism/hunting)
 - fencing type (cattle/short game fence/high game fence/predator proof fence)
- One or more photographs of the carnivores would be useful, particularly for the smaller, less easy to identify species. If you are not sure of the identification, please just send the photo with date and place, and our carnivore specialists will identify it for you. Please do not send hundreds of camera trap photos of the same species at the same location – just a few at each location in different months. If you prefer to upload photos to a Dropbox, Google Drive, or other storage system please get in touch with the details.

* = all three pieces of information (species, date and place) are needed for the record to be useful.

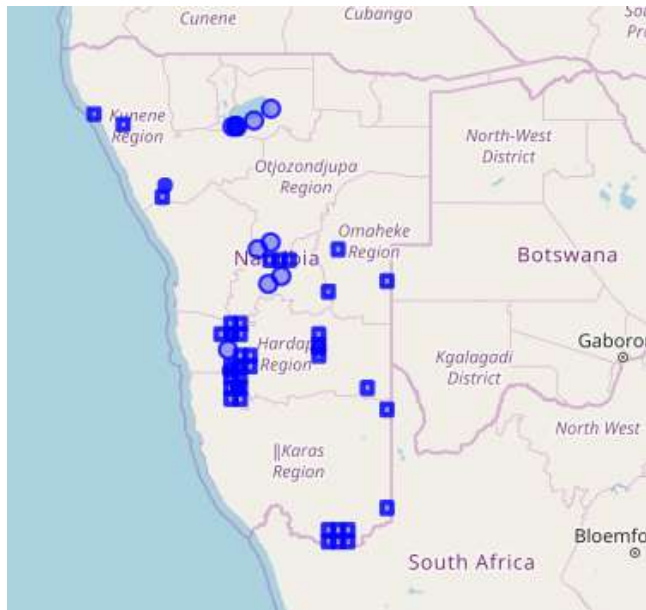
If you have any questions, please contact Alice Jarvis at carnivore.atlas@gmail.com.

Thank you for your help!

Large Carnivore Association of Namibia (LCMAN), Ministry of Environment and Tourism (MET), Namibian Chamber of Environment (NCE) and the Environmental Information Service of Namibia (EIS)

Cape Fox

Vulpes chama



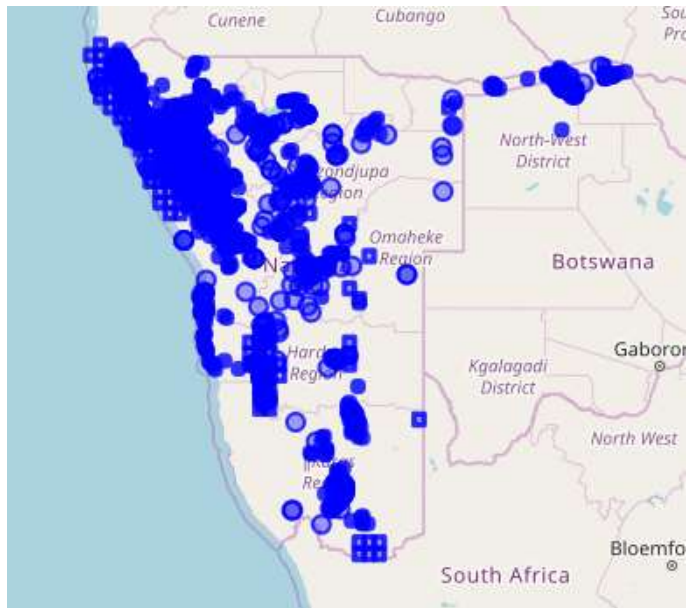
Bat-eared Fox

Otocyon megalotis



Black-backed Jackal

Canis mesomelas



Side-striped Jackal

Canis adustus



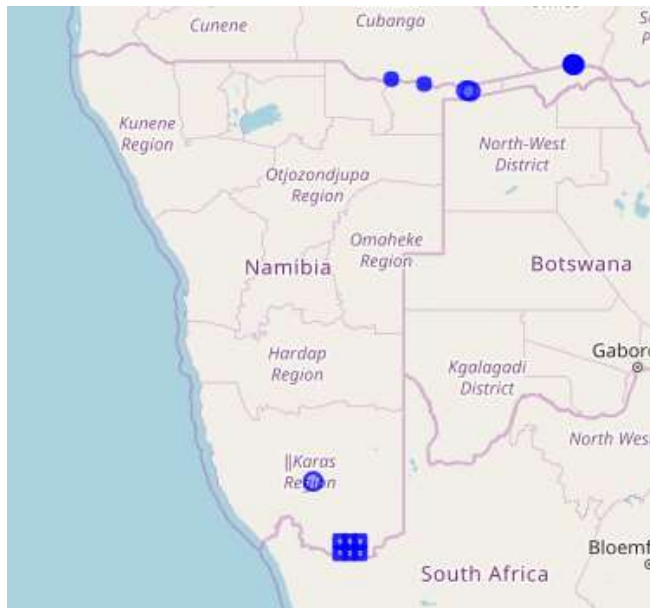
African Wild Dog

Lycaon pictus



Cape Clawless Otter

Aonyx capensis



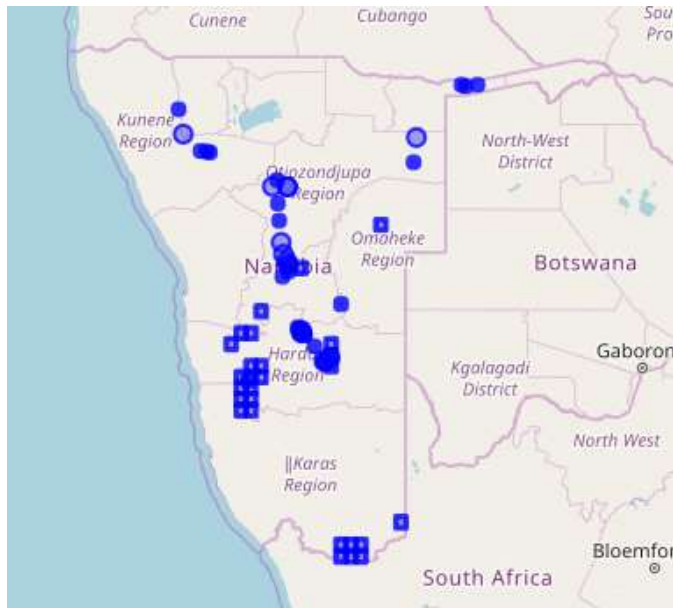
Striped Weasel

Poecilogale albinucha



Striped Polecat

Ictonyx striatus



Small grey Mongoose

*Galerella
pulverulenta*



Black Mongoose

*Galerella
nigrata*



Water Mongoose

Atilax paludinosus



Dwarf Mongoose

Helogale parvula



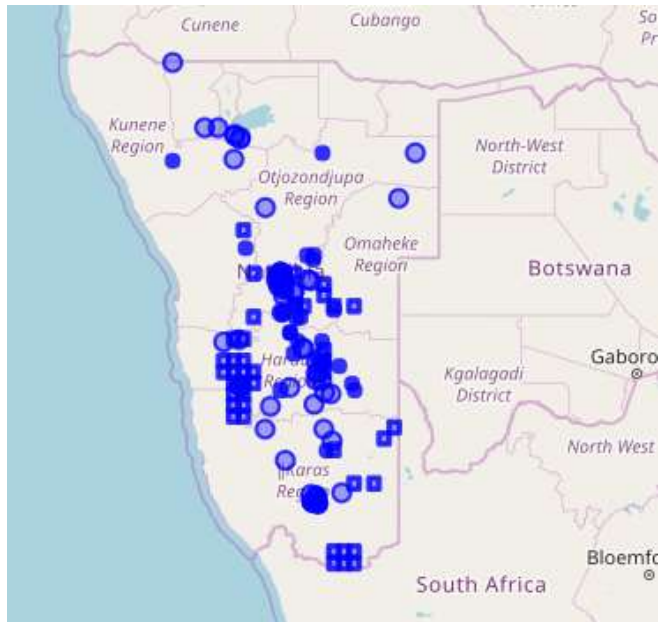
White-tailed Mongoose

Ichneumia albicauda



Yellow Mongoose

Cynictis penicillata



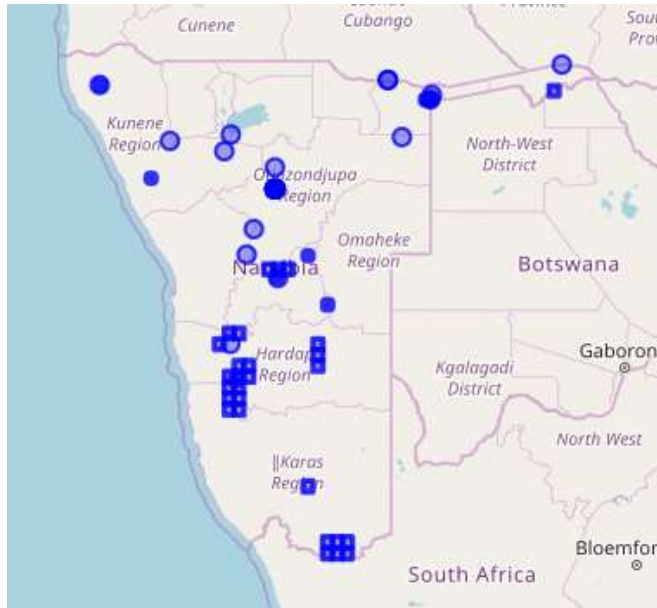
(Meerkat)
Suricate

*Suricata
suricatta*



Small-
spotted
Genet

Genetta genetta



Large-spotted Genet

Genetta tigrina

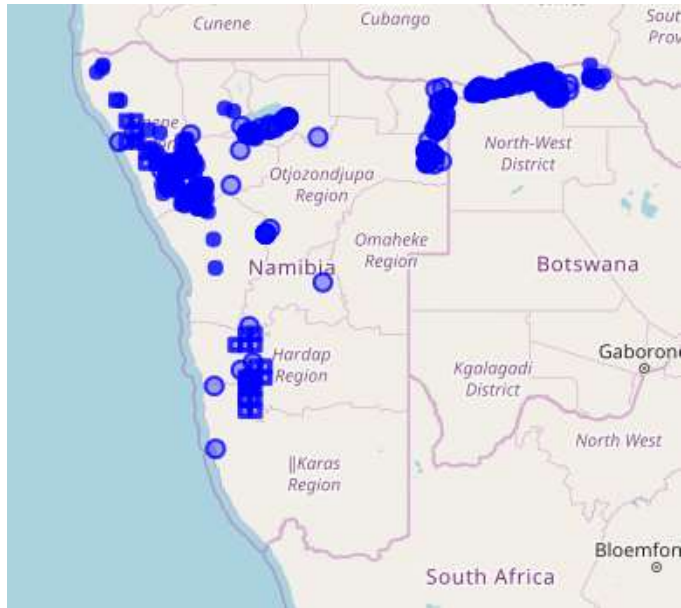


Civet

Civettictis civetta



Spotted
Hyaena
Crocuta crocuta

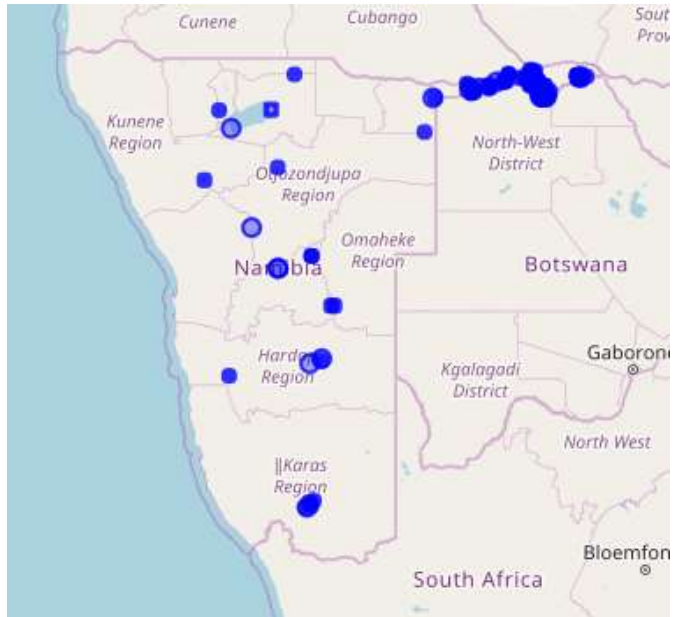


Brown
Hyaena
Hyaena brunnea



Aardwolf

Proteles cristatus



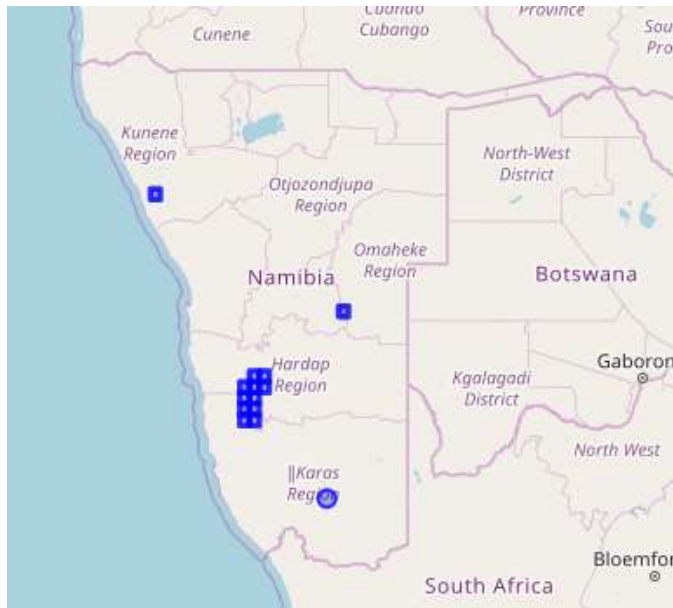
African Wild Cat

Felis silvestris subsp. lybica



Small Spotted Cat
(Black-footed Cat)

Felis nigripes



Serval

Leptailurus serval



Caracal

Caracal caracal



Cheetah

Acinonyx jubatus

