

Colobus Conservation September-October 2020

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In the month of September and October, Colobus Conservation has been able to continue its mandate of conservation, preservation and protection of the Angolan colobus monkey in Diani Kenya. In this month, we have spotted an increase in negative human-primate interaction. With hotels opening up, will without a doubt try to get access to human food as before and now more than ever, the hotels need to put their foot down and ensure there is no negative human primate interaction. Simple yet effective solutions such as guest's education on repercussions of feeding monkeys.



Human Primate Interaction

Do you have negative primate issues in your property? Here are some of the reasons why:



- Presence of waste
- Normal walking route
- In search of water

Arising issues from the visits

- **Property Damage**
- Human-primate conflict
- Loss of livestock e.g. chicken

How to prevent interactions

- Keep food away from monkeys' vision
- Lock up livestock in a safe
- Do not feed pests in monkey prone areas
- Close doors and windows
- Properly dispose waste
- Do **NOT** feed monkeys

What to do in case of interaction

- Use spray bottle to spray monkeys with cold water
- Use empty catapult or small pebbles
- ➤ Use noise

Annual Primate Census



In October, we did our annual primate census. This exercise entailed the team undertaking transects in Diani and count the primates in properties. The team appreciates Diani residents for their support and giving us access to their properties as well as the hard work of the team who undertook the exercise. The team braved the rain, sun and the hot PPE's for the benefit of conservation. From the primate census we established that there are: 352 Colobus monkeys, 1159 sykes, 260 vervet monkeys and 228 baboons. We applaud you Team Census!!

Habitat restoration



It is the onset of the rainy season and our tree nursery is fully in stock of indigenous tree seedlings available for purchase by both locals and tourists. If you wish to purchase a seedling, please get in touch with us @enquiries@colobusconservation.org or call +254711479453

Animal Welfare

In the month of September and October, we have attended to 40 welfare cases. The break down of the cases is as follows

	Incident							
	Abandoned	Natural	Poaching	Electrocution	Infantic	Road Traffic	Other	Total
Species		Illness			ide	Accident		
Bush	1	1						2
Baby								
Colobus		3		2		1	2	8
Vervet		1	5			2		8
Sykes	1	6	1	2	1	8		19
Ibis			1					1
Civet			2					2
Total	2	11	9	4	1	11	2	40

Animal Care



Meet Jiwe, our newest orphan. Jiwe came to our care as a result of negative human primate interactions. Jiwe, by then, a 4day old infant had been in the company of his mother who had gone near a village one evening to feed on sprouting mangoes. Idle children saw this as an opportunity to pass time and began stoning the monkeys. This resulted to his mother's death as a result of extensive head injuries leaving behind a lonely, scared and confused Jiwe with a black eye. Immediately he got to the center, he was given the necessary medical attention and placed under orphan care, awaiting integration by other monkeys. Through your donation, you can help Jiwe in his orphan care and rehabilitation

journey by donating towards his care through. You can also help other primates out there by reporting any dead, injured, sick, pet and abandoned monkey to +254711479453 or emailing animalwelfare@colobusconservation.org

Events



We hosted our Annual Golf on the beach Fundraiser on 24th October 2020. The day saw 19 golfers having the time of their lives competing to get the balls into nine different holes marked by spectaculars sand sculptures. This was not complete without providing guests an opportunity to get souvenirs from pop-up craft stalls. The event raised \$2,377 which will go a long way in supporting our operations costs. We would like to thank our main event sponsor NCBA Bank. We also express our sincere gratitude to our hole sponsors, raffle prize sponsors and all of you who participated in making the day a success!



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