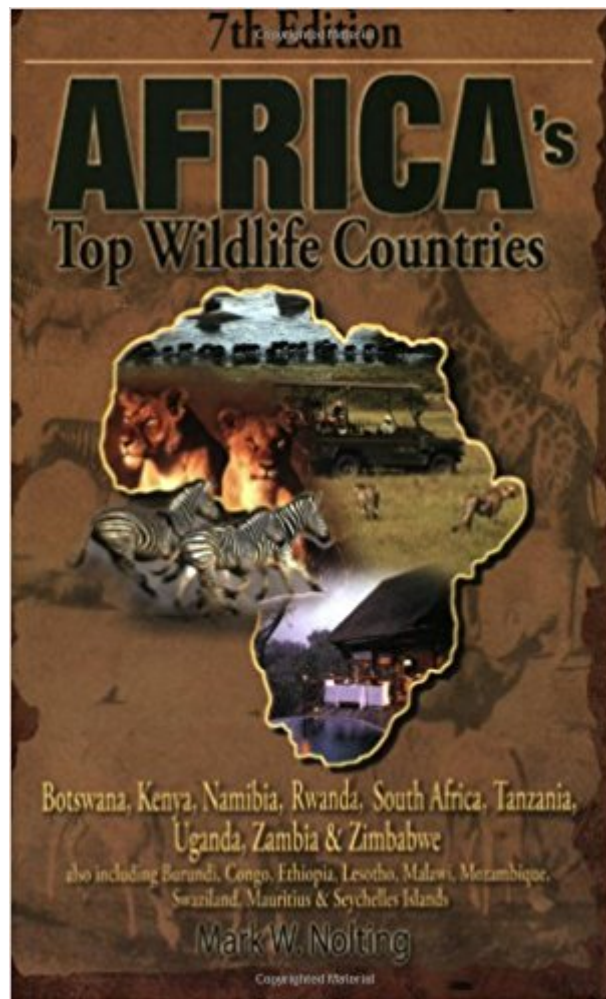


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# Africa's Top Wildlife Countries: Botswana, Kenya, Namibia, Rwanda, South Africa, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia & Zimbabwe



## Synopsis

Navigating Africa can be daunting, particularly when planning a safari &#150; an experience that varies greatly according to location. This guide demystifies the process, by detailing the safari stats of 18 African countries with maps, color photographs, illustrations of wildlife, 11 useful charts, and an accommodation guide with a detailed rating system.

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This book is fantastic. We were thinking of going on an African Safari, but didn't know the first thing about where to go, when to go, the safety, the accommodations, the vehicles used to travel about etc. This book answers all of that and more. The book is very well organized, and written in an easy to read style. The inside cover has a great chart that shows you month by month and country by country (and regions within countries) when is the best time to visit. The back inside cover has a similar chart showing which animals you'll see in which region and country. Other charts in the book provide useful information. The first one hundred pages tells you about the different housing arrangements (mobile tent camps, lodges, etc, the types of safaris (walking safaris , gorilla safaris, game drives, night game drives etc.), costs, booking, health issues, and much more. The next few hundred pages has separate sections discussing the particulars of safaris in each country. Nine or ten countries/regions are discussed in great depth. Another section discusses an additional half dozen countries that are less travelled for safaris. The sections tell you about the accommodations, the food, the culture, the history, etc. Lots of useful information and tips. There's lots of information about

various tour companies. The author runs his own highly regarded travel tour company specializing in African Safaris. The book is beautifully illustrated with high quality graphs and photographs. This book is highly recommended if you're thinking of a safari.

The cradle of civilization, Africa is also the cradle of a wide range of wildlife. Now in a fully updated and expanded seventh edition, "Africa's Top Wildlife Countries" is a safari in book form of the most wildlife-friendly countries in the diverse and far reaching wild of Africa's savannah. A complete and comprehensive travel guide of all the wild one can see when visiting the continent, "Africa's Top Wildlife Countries" is an over 700 page manual with almost 600 full color photographs. Packed cover to cover with information, "Africa's Top Wildlife Countries" is one of the best Africa travel manuals one can have.

I have read at least four books on the topic and Mark Nolting's is the best of the bunch. Comprehensive. Informative. Factual. You cannot go wrong. He also runs a top flight tour service. I just wish the book were available in an e-format.

Nolting's 7th edition, revised and updated in 2009, provides a comprehensive review of wildlife reserves, accommodations, and wildlife viewing options for ALL of Africa. Used the prior version for first trip in 2005 to Kenya and Tanzania. Also utilized it for 2010 visit to South Africa and Rwanda. Used this revised version for upcoming 2012 trip to Botswana and Zambia. An outstanding tool for planning my trips!

A good general overview of some of the best African Wildlife Parks. Goes into detail of how to travel, where to stay, as well as having plenty of advice on levels of accommodation within the parks and what fauna to expect in different areas. Unfortunately the photo and graphic illustrations were small and very poor quality, I suppose in an effort to reduce the download size. This aspect I found most disappointing as HD photos and readable temperature charts would have brought this e-edition up to four stars. Perhaps the physical book edition overcomes these deficiencies.

This is a fairly average travel book with some unusual characteristics: First, it is HEAVY. Printing on heavy clay-coated stock is nice for the color pictures, but at about 2 1/2 pounds/1+ kilos you are not going to want to put this in your luggage. Second, it is basically a disguised hustle for the author's travel company. Starting with the full-page ad on page six, followed by hustle after hustle in the text

("Then call us at the Africa Adventure Travel Company ... We will match the experience you are looking for with a fabulous safari program ..."), then at page 676 discover that you have bought and paid for another 20 (!) straight pages of nothing but advertising. The information in this book, while good, is available elsewhere in more portable form and without the egregious hustle. If you like color photos, don't mind a book the weight of a small anvil, and are willing to be hustled, however, this is your book.

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