

Birding Brilliance *at Angama Mara*

BIRDER-IN-RESIDENCE: ADAM SCOTT KENNEDY
MARCH AND APRIL 2017



We are delighted to be hosting Adam at the lodge next March and April, considered by many to be the Mara's best birding months.

The Mara Triangle, our tiny little 500-square kilometre slice of Kenya, boasts a checklist upwards of 400 species (470+ in the Greater Mara), of which more than half (256 and counting) have been recorded at Angama Mara in just 18 months. This is thanks to the diversity of habitats found here: the seasonal marshes, open plains, and riverine gallery forests of the Mara below are complemented by rocky escarpment, dry acacia woodland, and montane forests around the Lodge. It is not uncommon to record 50 species on a morning bird walk along the escarpment, and a dedicated effort will yield 100+.

For guests wanting to experience this birding bonanza guided by an internationally acclaimed birding fundi, March and April 2017 is the time to come.

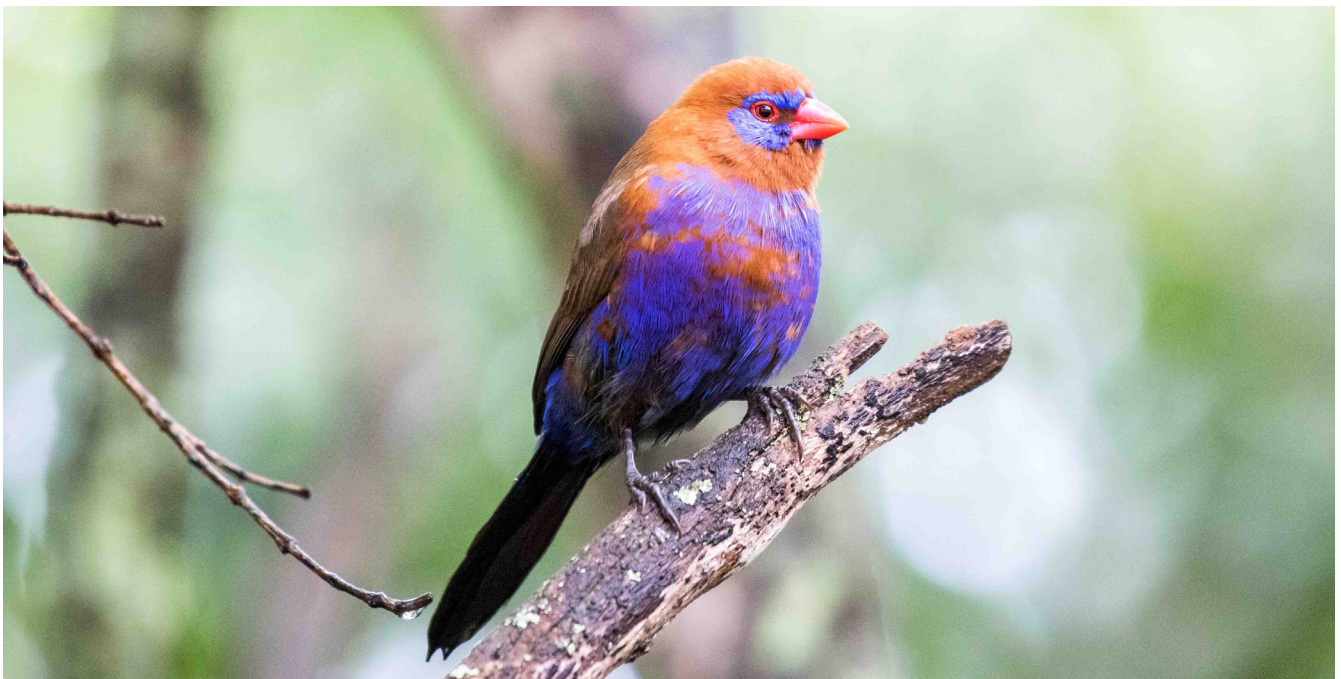


Fast Facts about Adam:

- Adam began birding at the age of four and has travelled to over 40 countries in search of birds
- Although Adam doesn't keep meticulous lists, he has seen somewhere in the region of 3500 species - that's about a third of all known birds
- Whilst guiding, Adam feels obliged to carry a telescope but really prefers to walk with just binoculars and a camera
- Adam is the author and photographer of five photographic guides for Princeton University Press, as well as the forthcoming *The Birds of East Africa: A Photographic Guide*, due for publication in 2018

Adam doesn't really class himself as a 'twitcher' as he doesn't chase vagrant birds that have been reported by someone else.

"I prefer getting out there and finding my own birds - that makes me a 'birder'. And that's why I love birding in East Africa - there is always something interesting to find. I love the challenge of forest birding the most, especially in Kakamega in western Kenya – that's where I get to bird-by-ear!"



- Book Adam as a private guide during March and April 2017
- Net Rate: \$300 per day (per couple)
- This includes the exclusive use of a private vehicle (subject to availability)
- Please apply source code BIR2017 when requesting this service

Adam will be accompanied by his wife Vicki who is an accomplished wildlife photographer and avid crafter – the Maasai Mamas in our beading studio will benefit greatly from her expertise. And, according to Adam “Vicki is not a bad birder either”