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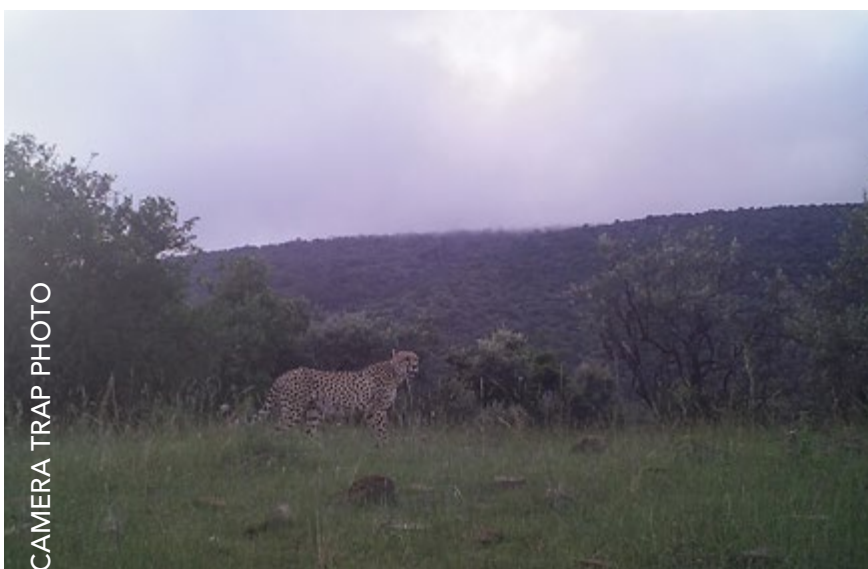
CHEETAH CHAT - NINTH EDITION



Updates by the Mara Predator Conservation Programme
on cheetahs in Maasai Mara

Esoit Male – Nabo

Our last sighting of the two Esoit brothers Nabo & Aare was in 2018 in Olarro South Conservancy, where after they disappeared without any sightings in 2019. We finally caught up Nabo in Olarro South Conservancy, and he was all alone. He has grown shy of vehicles unlike before when he still had his coalition partner. We can never really know what happened to his brother, but it seems like Nabo is now fully on his own.



Camera trap male

MPCP's camera traps around Lemek hills did an amazing job of not only capturing the elusive wild dogs, but also some lions and a cheetah! This is our first clear photo of a cheetah on the Lemek hills and he is new to MPCP's database.

Entito

Entito and her three remaining cubs seem to be enjoying this quiet time in the Mara and the cubs have really grown over the last couple of months. She has been moving around exploring different areas with the cubs and she spent some time in Ol kinyei Conservancy but currently they are back in the Naboisho area.

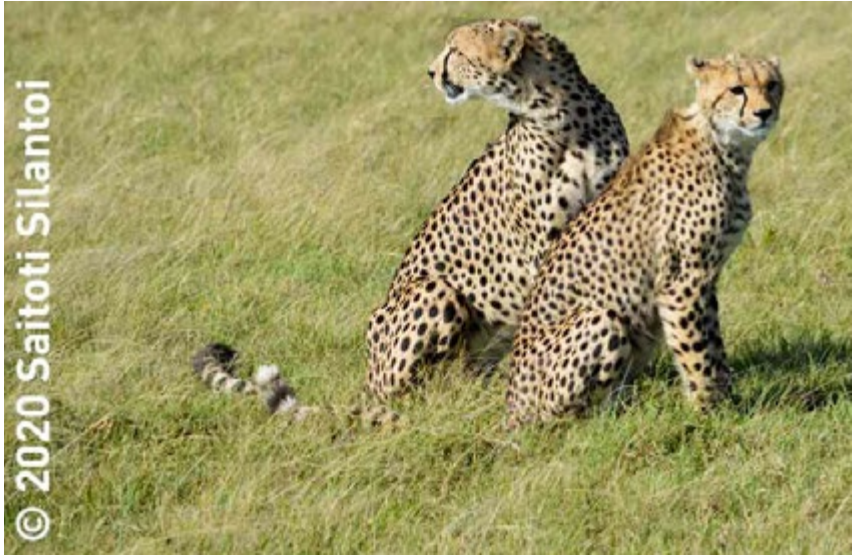


Kweli, Kulete & Jasiri

Ever since they went their separate ways, Kweli (pictured), Kulete and Jasiri have been doing a lot of exploring on their own. Kweli has been sighted in Olare Motorogi Conservancy while her sister Kulete has been in Naboisho Conservancy. Jasiri on the other hand has been roaming vast areas, exploring in the National Reserve and he even made a trip to Olarro North Conservancy where we had a recent sighting of him.

Selenkei

Selenkei and her now 10-month-old son have also been doing really well, having spent quite some time in Olkinyei and Naboisho Conservancies. They crossed over to Olare Motorogi Conservancy which is one of her favourite places to hang out. The male cub is really grown now and we really hope he will make to independence.



Nolari

Eight-year-old Nolari has been another common sighting over the past weeks around the Maji Ya Fisi, Basecamp and Fig tree areas. One of the reasons she is enjoying those particular areas is because of the high concentration of plains game with abundance of Thompson gazelles and impalas. However, there is also a very high density of lions and hyenas and Nolari has had her kills frequently stolen by both of these larger predators.

Kisaru

Kisaru has so far been one of the most successful first time mothers we have witnessed during our time researching Mara cheetahs. All her six cubs are thriving and will be turning one year old towards the end of July. They have been back and forth between Enonkishu Conservancy and Mara North Conservancy where they are currently residing.



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