

FAUNA SPECIES LIST

Animal species recorded at Intaka Island, Century City, compiled from scientific surveys, reserve records and observations logged on iNaturalist.



This list records the species seen and identified at Intaka Island up to the date shown. It is a snapshot in time, not a complete inventory of everything that lives on the reserve, and will be added to as new sightings are confirmed.

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85 INVERTEBRATES	7 FISH	9 AMPHIBIANS	39 REPTILES	39 MAMMALS	179 TOTAL
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INVERTEBRATES				85 SPECIES
NO	ORDER	SCIENTIFIC NAME	COMMON NAME	INAT
1	ARANEAE (SPIDER)	SubFamily: Araneinae	Typical Orbweb Spiders	iNat
2	ARANEAE (SPIDER)	Lycosidae	Wolf Spider	iNat
3	ARANEAE (SPIDER)	Palystes superciliosus	Common Rain Spider	iNat
4	ARANEAE (SPIDER)	Family: Pholcidae	Daddy-Longleg Spider	iNat
5	ARANEAE (SPIDER)	Runcinia erythrina	Grass Crab Spider	
6	ARANEAE (SPIDER)	Salticidae	Jumping Spider	
7	ARANEAE (SPIDER)	Sparassidae	Huntsman Spider	iNat
8	ARANEAE (SPIDER)	Tetragnatha spp	Long-Jawed Orbweb Spider	iNat
9	ARANEAE (SPIDER)	Trichonephila fenestrata	Southern Blackleg Orbweb Spider	iNat
10	COLEOPTERA (BEETLE)	Calotheca spp	Searsia Flea Beetles	iNat
11	COLEOPTERA (BEETLE)	Ceroctis capensis	Spotted Blister Beetle	iNat
12	COLEOPTERA (BEETLE)	Cheilomenes lunata	Lunate Lady Beetle	iNat
13	COLEOPTERA (BEETLE)	Superfamily: Cleroidea	Bark-gnawing Beetle	iNat
14	COLEOPTERA (BEETLE)	SubFamily: Cryptocephalinae	Case-bearing Leaf Beetle	iNat
15	COLEOPTERA (BEETLE)	Diplognatha gagates	Black Mirror Chafer	iNat
16	COLEOPTERA (BEETLE)	Dytiscidae	Diving Beetle	iNat
17	COLEOPTERA (BEETLE)	Phlyctinus callosus	Banded Fruit Weevil	
18	COLEOPTERA (BEETLE)	Family: Scirtidae	Marsh Beetle	iNat
19	DECAPODA (CRAB)	Brachyura	True Crabs	
20	DECAPODA (CRAB)	Potamonautes perlatus	Cape River Crab	
21	DIPTERA (FLIES)	Genus: Apiocera	Flower-loving Flies	iNat
22	DIPTERA (FLIES)	Family: Calliphoridae	Blow flies	iNat
23	DIPTERA (FLIES)	Chironomidae	Nonbiting Midges	iNat
24	DIPTERA (FLIES)	Genus: Eristalinus	Spot-eyed Hoverflies	iNat
25	DIPTERA (FLIES)	Eristalinus taeniops	Strip-eye Lagoon Fly	iNat
26	DIPTERA (FLIES)	Eupeodes corollae	Migrant Hoverfly	iNat
27	DIPTERA (FLIES)	Muscoidea	Muscoid Flies	iNat

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28	DIPTERA (FLIES)	<i>Sarcophaga</i>	Flesh Flies	iNat
29	HEMIPTERA (BUG)	Genus: <i>Aphis</i>	Aphids	iNat
30	HEMIPTERA (BUG)	<i>Cenaeus carnifex</i>	Red Bug	iNat
31	HEMIPTERA (BUG)	<i>Corixidae</i>	Water Boatmen	
32	HEMIPTERA (BUG)	<i>Deroplax silphoides</i>	Common Voodoo Shieldbug	
33	HEMIPTERA (BUG)	<i>Ectrichodiinae</i>	Millipede Assassin Bugs	
34	HEMIPTERA (BUG)	<i>Gerris swakopensis</i>	Common Water strider	iNat
35	HEMIPTERA (BUG)	Genus: <i>Paraplea</i>	Pygmy backswimmers	iNat
36	HYMENOPTERA (ANT)	<i>Camponotus dicksoni</i>	Dickson's Sugar Ant	
37	HYMENOPTERA (ANT)	<i>Crematogaster liengmei</i>	Liengme's Cocktail Ant	iNat
38	HYMENOPTERA (ANT)	<i>Lepisiota capensis</i>	Small Black Sugar Ant	
39	HYMENOPTERA (ANT)	<i>Monomorium australe</i>	Southern Timid ant	
40	HYMENOPTERA (ANT)	<i>Myrmicaria nigra</i>	Black Droptail Ant	
41	HYMENOPTERA (ANT)	<i>Pheidole megacephala</i>	Big-headed Ant	iNat
42	HYMENOPTERA (ANT)	<i>Tetramorium pusillum</i>	Trifling Fierce Ant	
43	HYMENOPTERA (ANT)	<i>Tetramorium sericeiventris</i>	Common Fierce Ant	iNat
44	HYMENOPTERA (ANT)	<i>Tetramorium solidum</i>	Big-headed Fierce Ant	
45	HYMENOPTERA (ANT)	Genus: <i>Tetraponera</i>	Old World Slender ants	
46	HYMENOPTERA (BEES)	<i>Apis mellifera</i>	Western Honey Bee	iNat
47	HYMENOPTERA (BEES)	Genus: <i>Megachile</i>	Leafcutter Bee	iNat
48	HYMENOPTERA (BEES)	<i>Philanthus triangulum</i>	European Beewolf	iNat
49	HYMENOPTERA (WASP)	<i>Delta campaniforme</i>	Yellow and Black Potter Wasp	iNat
50	HYMENOPTERA (WASP)	<i>Polistes dominula</i>	European Paper Wasp	iNat
51	HYMENOPTERA (WASP)	<i>Polistes marginalis</i>	South African Paper Wasp	iNat
52	JULIDA	<i>Juliformia</i>	Rounded-backed Millipedes	
53	LEPIDOPTERA (BUTTERFLY)	<i>Cacyreus lingae</i>	Common Bush Blue	iNat
54	LEPIDOPTERA (BUTTERFLY)	<i>Charaxes brutus</i>	White-barred Emperor	iNat
55	LEPIDOPTERA (BUTTERFLY)	<i>Papilio demodocus</i>	Citrus Swallowtail	iNat
56	LEPIDOPTERA (BUTTERFLY)	<i>Pieris brassicae</i>	Cabbage White Butterfly	iNat
57	LEPIDOPTERA (BUTTERFLY)	<i>Vanessa cardui</i>	Painted Lady	iNat
58	LEPIDOPTERA (BUTTERFLY)	<i>Zizeeria knysna</i>	African Grass Blue	iNat
59	LEPIDOPTERA (MOTH)	<i>Agrotis ipsilon</i>	Cutworm Moth	iNat
60	LEPIDOPTERA (MOTH)	<i>Amata cerbera</i>	Heady Maiden	iNat
61	LEPIDOPTERA (MOTH)	<i>Drepanogynis mixtaria</i>	Mixed Thorn	
62	LEPIDOPTERA (MOTH)	<i>Eutricha capensis</i>	Cape Lappet Moth caterpillars	iNat
63	LEPIDOPTERA (MOTH)	Genus <i>Cucullia</i>	Hooded Owlet Moth	iNat
64	LEPIDOPTERA (MOTH)	<i>Helicoverpa armigera</i>	African Bollworm Moth	iNat
65	LEPIDOPTERA (MOTH)	<i>Paralacydes vocula</i>	Zebra Ermine Moth	iNat

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66	LEPIDOPTERA (MOTH)	<i>Rhodogastria amasis</i>	Tri-colour Tiger Moth	iNat
67	LEPIDOPTERA (MOTH)	<i>Utetheisa pulchella</i>	Crimson Speckle Footman	iNat
68	ODONATA (INSECT)	<i>Anax imperator</i>	Blue Emperor	iNat
69	ODONATA (INSECT)	<i>Crocothemis erythraea</i>	Broad Scarlet	iNat
70	ODONATA (INSECT)	<i>Ischnura senegalensis</i>	Tropical Bluetail	iNat
71	ODONATA (INSECT)	<i>Orthetrum cafferum</i>	Two-striped Skimmer	iNat
72	ODONATA (INSECT)	<i>Orthetrum julia capicola</i>	Cape Skimmer	iNat
73	ODONATA (INSECT)	<i>Orthetrum trinacria</i>	Long Skimmer	iNat
74	ODONATA (INSECT)	<i>Sympetrum fonscolombii</i>	Nomad Dragonfly	iNat
75	ODONATA (INSECT)	<i>Tramea limbata</i>	Ferruginous Glider	iNat
76	ODONATA (INSECT)	<i>Trithemis arteriosa</i>	Red-veined Dropwing	iNat
77	ORTHOPTERA (INSECT)	<i>Acanthacris ruficornis</i>	Garden Locust	iNat
78	ORTHOPTERA (INSECT)	<i>Euryphymus haematopus</i>	Agile Grasshoppers	
79	ORTHOPTERA (INSECT)	<i>Gryllotalpa africana</i>	African Mole cricket	
80	ORTHOPTERA (INSECT)	Subfamily Acrididae	Donkey Face Grasshopper	iNat
81	SCORPIONES	<i>Opisthophthalmus capensis</i>	Cape Burrower Scorpion	iNat
82	SPINICAUDATA	<i>Leptestheria spp</i>	Clam Shrimp	
83	STYLOMMATOPHORA	<i>Cornu aspersum</i>	Brown Garden Snail	iNat
84	STYLOMMATOPHORA	<i>Theba pisana</i>	White Garden Snail	iNat
85	TROMBIDIFORMES (MITES)	Family: Hydrachnidae	Red Water Mites	iNat

FISH					7 SPECIES
NO	ORDER	SCIENTIFIC NAME	COMMON NAME	STATUS	INAT
1	ANABANTIFORMES (FRESHWATER RAY-FINNED FISH)	<i>Sandelia capensis</i>	Cape Kurper	Indigenous	iNat
2	CICHLIFORMES (RAY-FINNED FISH)	<i>Oreochromis mossambicus</i>	Mozambique Tilapia	Exotic	iNat
3	CICHLIFORMES (RAY-FINNED FISH)	<i>Tilapia sparrmanii</i>	Banded Tilapia / Vlei kurper	Exotic	
4	CYPRINIFORMES (RAY-FINNED FISH)	<i>Cyprinus carpio</i>	Common / European Carp	Exotic Invasive	
5	CYPRINODONTIFORMES (SMALL RAY-FINNED FISH)	<i>Gambusia affinis</i>	Western Mosquitofish	Exotic Invasive	
6	GALAXIIDAE (SMALL FRESHWATER FISH)	<i>Galaxias zebratus</i>	Cape Galaxias	Indigenous	
7	SILURIFORMES (CATFISH)	<i>Clarias gariepinus</i>	Sharptooth Catfish	Exotic Invasive	

AMPHIBIANS				9 SPECIES
NO	ORDER	SCIENTIFIC NAME	COMMON NAME	INAT
1	ANURA (FROGS)	<i>Amietia fuscigula</i>	Cape River Frog	iNat
2	ANURA (FROGS)	<i>Breviceps rosei</i>	Rose's Rain Frog	
3	ANURA (FROGS)	<i>Cacosternum platys</i>	Flat Caco	
4	ANURA (FROGS)	<i>Hyperolius marmoratus</i>	Painted Reed Frog	iNat
5	ANURA (FROGS)	<i>Hyperolius marmoratus ssp verrucosus</i>	Spotted Painted Reed Frog	iNat
6	ANURA (FROGS)	<i>Strongylopus grayii</i>	Clicking Stream Frog	iNat
7	ANURA (FROGS)	<i>Tomopterna delalandii</i>	Cape Sand Frog	
8	ANURA (FROGS)	<i>Xenopus laevis</i>	Common Platanna	iNat
9	ANURA (TOAD)	<i>Vandijkophrynus angusticeps</i>	Sand Toad	

REPTILES				39 SPECIES
NO	ORDER	SCIENTIFIC NAME	COMMON NAME	INAT
1	SQUAMATA	<i>Acontias meleagris meleagris</i>	Cape Legless Skink	
2	SQUAMATA	<i>Afrogecko porphyreus</i>	Marbled Leaf-Toed Gecko	iNat
3	SQUAMATA	<i>Agama hispida</i>	Southern Spiny Agama	
4	SQUAMATA	<i>Amplorhinus multimaculatus</i>	Many-Spotted Snake	
5	SQUAMATA	<i>Bradypodion occidentale</i>	Western Dwarf Chameleon	
6	SQUAMATA	<i>Bradypodion pumilum</i>	Cape Dwarf Chameleon	iNat
7	SQUAMATA	<i>Crotaphopeltis hotamboeia</i>	Herald Snake	
8	SQUAMATA	<i>Dasypeltis scabra</i>	Rhombic Egg Eater	
9	SQUAMATA	<i>Dispholidus typus typus</i>	Boomslang	iNat
10	SQUAMATA	<i>Duberria lutrix</i>	Common Slug Eater	
11	SQUAMATA	<i>Gerrhosaurus flavigularis</i>	Yellow-Throated Plated Lizard	
12	SQUAMATA	<i>Homoroselaps lacteus</i>	Spotted Harlequin Snake	
13	SQUAMATA	<i>Lamprophis aurora</i>	Aurora House Snake	
14	SQUAMATA	<i>Lamprophis capensis</i>	Brown House Snake	
15	SQUAMATA	<i>Lamprophis inornatus</i>	Olive House Snake	
16	SQUAMATA	<i>Leptotyphlops nigricans</i>	Black Thread Snake	
17	SQUAMATA	<i>Lycodonomorphus rufulus</i>	Common Brown Water Snake	iNat
18	SQUAMATA	<i>Lygodactylus capensis capensis</i>	Cape Dwarf Gecko	iNat
19	SQUAMATA	<i>Meroles knoxii</i>	Knox's Desert Lizard	
20	SQUAMATA	<i>Naja nivea</i>	Cape Cobra	iNat
21	SQUAMATA	<i>Pachydactylus geitjie</i>	Ocellated Thick-Toed Gecko	
22	SQUAMATA	<i>Pedioplanis pulchella</i>	Common Sand Lizard	
23	SQUAMATA	<i>Psammophis leightoni</i>	Cape Sand Snake	
24	SQUAMATA	<i>Psammophis notostictus</i>	Karoo Whip Snake	
25	SQUAMATA	<i>Psammophylax crucifer</i>	Montane Grass Snake	

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26	SQUAMATA	<i>Psammophylax rhombeatus</i>	Spotted Skaapsteker	iNat
27	SQUAMATA	<i>Pseudaspis cana</i>	Mole Snake	iNat
28	SQUAMATA	<i>Rhinotyphlops lalandei</i>	Delalande's Beaked Blind Snake	
29	SQUAMATA	<i>Scelotes bipes</i>	Silvery Dwarf Burrowing Skink	
30	SQUAMATA	<i>Tetradactylus seps</i>	Short-Legged Seps	
31	SQUAMATA	<i>Tetradactylus tetradactylus</i>	Common Long-Tailed Seps	
32	SQUAMATA	<i>Trachylepis capensis</i>	Cape Skink	iNat
33	SQUAMATA	<i>Trachylepis homalocephala</i>	Red-Sided Skink	
34	SQUAMATA	<i>Typhlosaurus caecus</i>	Cuvier's Blind Legless Skink	
35	TESTUDINES	<i>Chersina angulata</i>	Angulate Tortoise	iNat
36	TESTUDINES	<i>Homopus areolatus</i>	Parrot-Beaked Tortoise	
37	TESTUDINES	<i>Pelomedusa galeata</i>	Cape Terrapin	iNat
38	TESTUDINES	<i>Pelomedusa subrufa</i>	Marsh Terrapin	
39	TESTUDINES	<i>Stigmochelys pardalis</i>	Leopard Tortoise	iNat

MAMMALS				39 SPECIES
NO	ORDER	SCIENTIFIC NAME	COMMON NAME	INAT
1	ARTIODACTYLA (ANTELOPE)	<i>Raphicerus melanotis</i>	Cape Grysbok	iNat
2	CARNIVORA (CARNIVORES)	<i>Atilax paludinosus</i>	Water / Marsh Mongoose	iNat
3	CARNIVORA (CARNIVORES)	<i>Caracal caracal</i>	Cape Caracal	iNat
4	CARNIVORA (CARNIVORES)	<i>Felis catus</i>	Domestic Cat (alien)	
5	CARNIVORA (CARNIVORES)	<i>Galerella pulverulenta</i>	Cape Grey Mongoose	iNat
6	CARNIVORA (CARNIVORES)	<i>Genetta genetta</i>	Small-Spotted Genet	
7	CARNIVORA (CARNIVORES)	<i>Ictonyx striatus</i>	Striped Polecat	
8	CARNIVORA (CARNIVORES)	<i>Lutra capensis ssp. capensis</i>	Cape Clawless Otter	iNat
9	CHIROPTERA (BATS)	<i>Eptesicus hottentotus</i>	Long-Tailed Serotine Bat	
10	CHIROPTERA (BATS)	<i>Miniopterus natalensis</i>	Schreiber's Long-Fingered Bat	
11	CHIROPTERA (BATS)	<i>Myotis tricolor</i>	Temminck's Hairy Bat	
12	CHIROPTERA (BATS)	<i>Neoromicia capensis</i>	Cape Serotine Bat	
13	CHIROPTERA (BATS)	<i>Rhinolophus capensis</i>	Cape Horseshoe Bat	
14	CHIROPTERA (BATS)	<i>Rhinolophus clivosus</i>	Geoffroy's Horseshoe Bat	
15	CHIROPTERA (BATS)	<i>Rousettus aegyptiacus</i>	Egyptian Fruit Bat	
16	CHIROPTERA (BATS)	<i>Tadarida aegyptiaca</i>	Egyptian Free-Tailed Bat	
17	HYRACOIDEA	<i>Procavia capensis ssp. capensis</i>	Cape Dassie	iNat
18	INSECTIVORA (INSECTIVORES)	<i>Chrysochloris asiatica</i>	Cape Golden Mole	iNat
19	INSECTIVORA (INSECTIVORES)	<i>Crocidura cyanea</i>	Reddish-Grey Musk Shrew	iNat
20	INSECTIVORA (INSECTIVORES)	<i>Crocidura flavescens</i>	Greater Red Musk Shrew	
21	INSECTIVORA (INSECTIVORES)	<i>Myosorex varius</i>	Forest shrew	

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22	LAGOMORPHA (RABBITS AND HARES)	<i>Lepus capensis</i>	Cape Hare	
23	LAGOMORPHA (RABBITS AND HARES)	<i>Lepus saxatilis</i>	Scrub Hare	
24	RODENTIA (RODENTS)	<i>Bathyrgerus suillus</i>	Cape Dune Mole-Rat	iNat
25	RODENTIA (RODENTS)	<i>Dendromus melanotis</i>	Grey Climbing Mouse	
26	RODENTIA (RODENTS)	<i>Dendromus mesomelas</i>	Brants's Climbing Mouse	
27	RODENTIA (RODENTS)	<i>Desmodillus auricularis</i>	Short-Tailed Gerbil	
28	RODENTIA (RODENTS)	<i>Georychus capensis</i>	Cape Mole-Rat	
29	RODENTIA (RODENTS)	<i>Gerbillurus paeba</i>	Pygmy Hairy-Footed Gerbil	
30	RODENTIA (RODENTS)	<i>Hystrix africaeaustralis</i>	Cape Porcupine	
31	RODENTIA (RODENTS)	<i>Malacothrix typica</i>	Large-Eared Mouse	
32	RODENTIA (RODENTS)	<i>Mus minutoides</i>	Pygmy Mouse	
33	RODENTIA (RODENTS)	<i>Mus musculus</i>	House Mouse (alien)	
34	RODENTIA (RODENTS)	<i>Otomys irroratus</i>	Southern Vlei Rat	iNat
35	RODENTIA (RODENTS)	<i>Rattus norvegicus</i>	Brown Rat (alien)	
36	RODENTIA (RODENTS)	<i>Rattus rattus</i>	House Rat (alien)	
37	RODENTIA (RODENTS)	<i>Rhabdomys pumilio</i>	Cape-striped Field Mouse / Four-Striped Grass Mouse	iNat
38	RODENTIA (RODENTS)	<i>Steatomys krebsii</i>	Krebs's Fat Mouse	
39	RODENTIA (RODENTS)	<i>Tatera afra</i>	Cape Gerbil	

SPECIES LISTS BASED ON

* Scientific report: *Survey of Mammals, Reptiles and Amphibians at Intaka Island, Century City, and recommendations for management*. Final Report, 7 December 2009. Prepared by M Burger and JA Harrison for Blouvllei Environmental Committee.

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** Sightings by reserve staff and birders, recorded on Intaka Island reserve records.

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