

Checklist of mammals of the Udzungwa Mountains of Tanzania

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We present a checklist of mammals of the Udzungwa Mountains of south-central Tanzania ($7^{\circ}40'$ – $8^{\circ}40'$ S and $35^{\circ}10'$ – $36^{\circ}50'$ E; Figure 1). The area ($10,000 \text{ km}^2$) contains the largest moist forest blocks of the Eastern Arc Mountains, a chain of ancient massifs partially covered in rainforest (Lovett and Wasser 1993), which is of outstanding importance for biodiversity conservation (Myers et al. 2000, Burgess et al. 2007). The area is also vulnerable to human exploitation because of the relatively small size of the forests, severe fragmentation (Brooks et al. 2002) and a lack of effective conservation management. The biodiversity importance of the Udzungwa Mountains is well reflected in the mammalian fauna (Kingdon and Howell 1993). There are five Udzungwa-endemic mammals in this area and 13 of the 17 mammals that are endemic to the Eastern Arc Mountains, Southern Highlands and Mount Kilimanjaro (Burgess et al. 2007). In particular, the Udzungwa Mountains hold two endemic and threatened monkeys (Rovero et al. 2006) and one near-endemic, recently discovered new genus and species of monkey (Jones et al. 2005, Davenport et al. 2006); therefore, it is regarded as one of the most important sites in Africa for primate conservation. The Udzungwa Mountains also exhibit outstanding carnivore diversity, with at least 26 species recorded (De Luca and Mpunga 2005a,b), including Jackson's mongoose *Bdeogale jacksoni*, newly recorded for Tanzania (De Luca and Rovero 2006), and Lowe's servaline genet *Genetta servalina lowei* (De Luca and Mpunga 2002). At least five species of forest antelopes co-exist, including the largest population of the Tanzanian-endemic and rare Abbott's duiker *Cephalophus spadix* (Rovero et al. 2005, Rovero et al. in press a). A new species of giant sengi or elephant-shrew of the genus *Rhynchocyon* has recently been discovered (Rovero et al. in press b).

Within the Udzungwa Mountains, the mammal records used in this inventory are from protected areas that cover

an area of 4025 km^2 . These protected areas are, from north-east to south-west (Figure 1): the Udzungwa Mountains National Park (UMNP, 1990 km^2), the West Kilombero Scarp Forest Reserve (including Ndundulu and Nymbanitu Forests; 1042 km^2), New Dabaga-Ulangambi Forest Reserve (33 km^2), Nyanganje Forest Reserve (69 km^2), Matundu Forest Reserve (106 km^2), Iyondo Forest Reserve (280 km^2), Uzungwa Scarp Forest Reserve (207 km^2), and a number of isolated forest reserves in the south, near Mafinga town (298 km^2). UMNP includes Mwanihana Forest to the east, a large portion of Matundu Forest to the south, which is partially a forest reserve, and Luhomero Forest to the west. Details on single forest blocks are found in Lovett and Pócs (1993) and Dinesen et al. (2001). The altitude range spans from approximately 300 m in the east to 2600 m a.s.l. for Mount Luhomero in the north-western portion of UMNP. The Udzungwa Mountains are extremely heterogeneous and contain several different habitat types, with closed-canopy forests interspersed with areas of dry woodland and grassland (Table 1). The climate is variable, with rainfall being as high as 2000–3000 mm per year on the eastern sides of moist forest blocks, and as low as 500 mm per year on drier slopes (UMNP unpublished data). Rainfall is almost exclusively concentrated in two periods: November–December and March–May.

We collected data over a period of 4 years (2002–2005) using a range of methods, especially camera-trapping, as well as line-transect censuses mainly for primates and forest antelopes, transects for sign and track counts, general survey walks, and village interviews (methodological details in Rovero and Marshall 2005, Rovero et al. 2005, De Luca and Mpunga 2005a,b). We deployed camera-traps at 75 sites, totalling over 3400 trap-days of sampling, in four areas: Mwanihana, Matundu and Mbawwa inside the UMNP, and Uzungwa Scarp to the south (Figure 1). We also summarised records and information from the literature and other researchers. Data on small mammals and bats are all from published sources.

We recorded a total of 118 species of mammals belonging to 30 families (Table 2). An additional 12 species are of probable occurrence (Table 2). Carnivores were the most represented order in terms of species richness (26 species confirmed and five probable), followed by rodents (25), bats (18), ungulates (16) and primates (12). Five taxa are strictly Udzungwa-endemic: the two primates Udzungwa red colobus *Procolobus gordoni* and Sanje mangabey *Cercocebus galeritus sanjei*, the new giant sengi *Rhynchocyon udzungwensis*, the Phillips' Congo shrew *Congosorex phillipsorum*, and the mouse shrew *Myosorex kihalei*. The 13 species that are Eastern Arc-endemic or near-endemic include the kipunji *Rungwecebus kipunji*, the mountain galago *Galagooides orinus* and Abbott's duiker *C. spadix* (see Burgess et al. 2007 for a full list). A total of 14 species are listed as

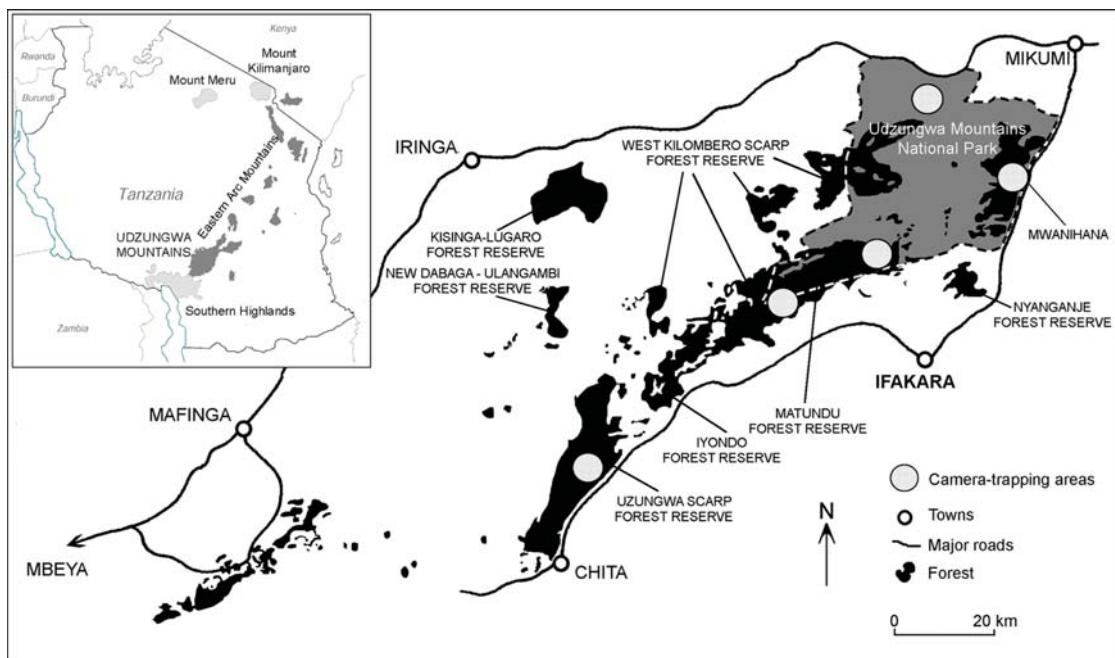


Figure 1 Map of the Udzungwa Mountains of south-central Tanzania. The major forests are named and the camera-trapping areas indicated. Inset shows the location of the Udzungwa Mountains within the Eastern Arc Mountains of Kenya and Tanzania (map created by A. Pallaveri, Museo Tridentino di Scienze Naturali).

globally threatened according to IUCN (2007) criteria, with eight species assessed as endangered and six as vulnerable. The kipunji is currently being assessed (Davenport et al. in press). Camera-trapping yielded a total of 2050 photographs representing 42 species. Of these, 16 species were carnivores and 14 were ungulates. Considering that we recorded 55 species that are terrestrial and large enough to trigger the camera-trap sensor (i.e., excluding small mammals and volant, fossorial and non-arboreal species), camera-trapping appears to be of crit-

ical importance for surveying forest mammals, as found in other studies in tropical areas (Silveira et al. 2003, Trolle 2003a,b).

The checklist shows that the Udzungwa Mountains are species-rich in terms of their mammalian fauna, confirming that the area is of outstanding importance for mammalian endemism and biogeography (Kingdon and Howell 1993, Dinesen et al. 2001, Stanley et al. 2005b, Rovero et al. in press b). The area was already classified as the site with the highest number of endemic and near-

Table 1 Features of the main habitat types in the Udzungwa Mountains of Tanzania.

Habitat type	Altitude range (m)	Dominant tree species	Description
Grassland and wooded grassland (WG)	300–1500	<i>Acacia</i> spp., <i>Brachystegia</i> spp.	Bracken and grassland with scattered trees
Woodland (W)	300–2000	Low elevation: <i>Commiphora</i> spp., <i>Adansonia digitata</i> ; Low to mid elevation: <i>Brachystegia</i> spp., <i>Pterocarpus angolensis</i> ; mid to high elevation: <i>Acacia</i> spp., <i>Uapaka kirkiana</i>	Deciduous woodland with low canopy (to 20 m) variable from very dense to open
Lowland forest (LF)	300–800	<i>Funtumia africana</i> , <i>Erythrophleum suaveolens</i> , <i>Treculia africana</i> , <i>Lettowianthus stellatus</i> , <i>Anthocleista grandiflora</i> , <i>Sorindeia madagascariensis</i> , <i>Parkia filicoidea</i> , <i>Pteleopsis myrtifolia</i>	Forest with deciduous and semi-deciduous trees, canopy 15–25 m with emergents to 50 m
Sub-montane forest (SF)	800–1400	<i>Parinari excelsa</i> , <i>Felicium decipiens</i> , <i>Harungana madagascariense</i> , <i>Allanblackia stuhlmannii</i> , <i>Trilepismum madagascariense</i> , <i>Isoberlinia scheffleri</i>	Moist forest with mainly evergreen species, canopy 25–40 m with emergents to 50 m
Montane forest (MF) ¹	1400–2600	<i>Parinari excelsa</i> , <i>Ocotea usambarensis</i> , <i>Hagenia abyssinica</i> , <i>Syzygium</i> sp., <i>Macaranga kilimandscharica</i> , <i>Caloncoba welwitschii</i>	Evergreen moist forest, with canopy height progressively lower with altitude

¹ MF includes upper montane forest (*sensu* Lovett 1993), which is above 1800 m and often contains bamboo towards the peaks of the mountains.

Table 2 Checklist of mammals of the Udzungwa Mountains of Tanzania.

Scientific name ¹	Common name	Detection	Habitat	Threat status	Source	Institution
Primates						
<i>Cercopithecidae</i>						
<i>Rungwecebus kipunji</i>	Kipunji	O	MF	In press	Jones et al. 2005, Davenport et al. in press	
<i>Cercocebus galeritus sanjeri</i> ²	Sanje mangabey	O, Ph	LF, SF, MF	EN	This study, Dinesen et al. 2001	MTSN
<i>Cercopithecus mitis cf moloneyi</i>	Sykes' monkey	O, Ph	LF, SF, MF	LC	This study, Dinesen et al. 2001	MTSN, WCS
<i>Cercopithecus aethiops</i>	Vervet monkey	O	W, LF	LC	This study	MTSN
<i>Papio cynocephalus</i>	Yellow baboon	O, Ph	W, LF	LC	This study, Dinesen et al. 2001	MTSN
<i>Colobidae</i>						
<i>Procolobus gordoni</i>	Udzungwa red colobus	O	LF, SF, MF	VU	This study, Dinesen et al. 2001, Struhsaker et al. 2004	
<i>Colobus angolensis palliatus</i>	Angolan colobus	O	LF, SF, MF	LC	This study, Dinesen et al. 2001	
<i>Galagonidae</i>						
<i>Galagooides</i> ³ <i>zanzibaricus</i>	Udzungwagen	O, Voc	W, LF, SF	Not listed	Butynski et al. 1998, 2006, A. Perkin personal communication	
<i>Galagooides orinus</i>	Mountain galago	O, Voc	MF	DD	Butynski et al. 1998, A. Perkin personal communication	
<i>Galagooides grantii</i>	Grant's galago	O, Voc	MF	DD	A. Perkin personal communication	
<i>Otolemur crassicaudatus</i>	Greater galago	O, Ph, Voc	W, LF	LC	This study, Topp-Jørgensen et al. 2001a, A. Perkin personal communication	WCS
<i>Otolemur garnettii</i>	Small-eared galago	O, Voc	W	LC	A. Perkin personal communication	
<i>Macroscelidae</i>						
<i>Petrodromus tetradactylus</i>	Four-toed elephant-shrew	O	W, LF, SF, MF	LC	This study	
<i>Rhynchocyon cimei reichardi</i>	Chequered elephant-shrew	O, Ph	W, LF, SF, MF	NT	This study	MTSN
<i>Rhynchocyon udzungwensis</i>	Grey-faced elephant-shrew	O, Ph, T	SF, MF	Not listed	Rovero et al. in press b	MTSN, FMNH
<i>Rodentia</i>						
<i>Anomaluridae</i>						
<i>Anomalurus cf derbianus</i>	Lord Derby's anomalure	O, T	LF, SF, MF	LC	A. Marshall, M. Menengon, T. Jones and W. Stanley personal communication	UDSM
<i>Gliridae</i>						
<i>Graphiurus murinus</i>	Woodland dormouse	T	MF	LC	Tanzania Forest Conservation Group/MTSN unpublished data	UDSM
<i>Muridae</i>						
<i>Acomys spinosissimus</i>	Spiny mice	T	LF	LC	Tanzania Forest Conservation Group/MTSN unpublished data	UDSM
<i>Dasyurus incomtus</i>	African marsh rat	T	SF, MF	LC	Stanley et al. 1998, 2005a	FMNH
<i>Grammomys dolichurus</i>	Woodland thicket rat	T	LF	LC	Topp-Jørgensen et al. 2001b	FMNH
<i>Grammomys ibeanus</i>	Ruwenzori thicket rat	T	MF	LC	Stanley et al. 1998, 2005a	FMNH
<i>Grammomys macmillani</i>	MacMillan's thicket rat	T	LF, SF, MF	LC	Stanley et al. 1998, 2005a	FMNH
<i>Hyalomyscus arcimontensis</i>	Tanzanian montane wood mouse	T	SF, MF	Not listed	Stanley et al. 2005a (as <i>H. denniae</i>), Carleton and Stanley 2005	FMNH
<i>Lemniscomys griseoloides</i>	Griselda's striped grass mouse	T	SF, MF	LC	Topp-Jørgensen et al. 2001b	FMNH
<i>Lophuromys aquilus</i>	Dark-coloured brush-furred rat	T	MF	LC	Stanley et al. 2005a (as <i>L. flavopunctatus</i>)	FMNH
<i>Mastomys natalensis</i>	Natal multimammate mouse	T	LF, SF	LC	Stanley et al. 2005a	FMNH
<i>Mus minutoides</i>	Pygmy mice	T	LF, SF	LC	Stanley et al. 2005a	FMNH
<i>Mus triton</i>	Grey-bellied pygmy mouse	T	MF	LC	Tanzania Forest Conservation Group/MTSN unpublished data ⁴	FMNH
<i>Otomys uzungwensis</i>	Uzungwe vlei rat	T	MF	EN	Stanley et al. 1998 (as <i>U. archiectae</i>)	FMNH

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<i>Rattus rattus</i>	House rat	T	LF	LC	Stanley et al. 1998, Stanley et al. 2005a	FMNH
<i>Rhabdomys pumilio</i>	Four-striped grass mouse	T	SF, MF	DD	Topp-Jørgensen et al. 2001b	FMNH
<i>Prionomys detectorum</i>	East-African soft-furred rat	T	SF	NT	Stanley et al. 1998, 2005a	FMNH
Nesomyidae						
<i>Beamyshindei</i>	Lesser pouched rat	T	SF, MF	NT	Stanley et al. 1998	FMNH
<i>Cricetomys gambianus</i>	Giant pouched rat	Ph	Throughout	LC	This study	MTSN, WCS
<i>Dendromus nyasae</i>	Brant's climbing mouse	T	MF	LC	Stanley et al. 1998, 2005a (as <i>D. melanotis</i>)	FMNH
<i>Dendromus nyikae</i>	Nylka climbing mouse	T	SF	LC	Stanley et al. 1998	FMNH
Sciuridae						
<i>Paraxerus vexillarius byatti</i>	Swynnerton's bush squirrel	O, Ph, T	LF, SF	VU	This study, N. Cordeiro and D. Moyer personal communication	FMNH
<i>Paraxerus lucifer</i>	Tanganyika mountain squirrel	O, Ph, T	SF, MF	DD	This study, N. Cordeiro personal communication	UDSM
Hyracidae						
<i>Hyrrix cristata</i>	Crested porcupine	Ph	Throughout	LC	This study	MTSN, WCS
Thryonomyidae						
<i>Thryonomys swinderianus</i>	Cane rat	O	VG, LF, MF	LC	This study, D. Moyer and M. Menegon personal communication	UDSM
Afrosoricida						
Chrysocloridae						
<i>Chrysocloris stuhlmanni</i>	Stuhlmann's golden mole	T	MF	LC	Tanzania Forest Conservation Group/MTSN unpublished data	UDSM
Insectivora						
Soricidae						
<i>Crocidura elongans</i>	Elgon shrew	T	LF, SF	LC	Stanley et al. 1998, 2005a	FMNH
<i>Crocidura desperata</i>	Desperate shrew	T	MF	EN	Hutterer et al. 1991	FMNH
<i>Crocidura fuscomurina</i>	Tiny musk shrew	T	SF	LC	Stanley et al. 2005a	FMNH
<i>Crocidura hildegardeae</i>	Hildegarde's shrew	T	SF	LC	Stanley et al. 1998, 2005a	FMNH
<i>Crocidura luna</i>	Musk shrew	T	SF, MF	LC	Stanley et al. 2005a	FMNH
<i>Crocidura olivieri</i>	Olivier's shrew	T	LF, SF	LC	Stanley et al. 1998, 2005a	FMNH
<i>Crocidura vittata suahelae</i>	Savannah path shrew	T	LF, SF	LC	Stanley et al. 2005a	FMNH
<i>Crocidura monax</i>	Rombo shrew	T	?	DD	Stanley et al. 1998	FMNH
<i>Crocidura telfordi</i>	Telford's shrew	T	?	EN	Stanley et al. 1998	FMNH
<i>Sylviorex megalura</i>	Climbing shrew	T	SF	LC	Stanley et al. 1998, 2005a	FMNH
<i>Myosorex kihalei</i>	Mouse shrew	T	MF	EN	Stanley and Hutterer 2000	FMNH
<i>Congosorex philippsoni</i>	Phillips' Congo shrew	T	MF	Not listed	Stanley et al. 2005b	FMNH
Carnivora						
Canidae						
<i>Canis adustus</i>	Side-striped jackal	S,O	LF, MF, WG	LC	De Luca and Mpunga 2005a, M. Menegon personal communication	De Luca and Mpunga 2005a
<i>Lycaan pictus</i>	Wild dog	S	VG	EN	De Luca and Mpunga 2005a	WCS (skin)
Mustelidae						
<i>Aconyx capensis</i>	African clawless otter	O	LF, SF	LC	This study, De Luca and Mpunga 2005a	WCS (skin)
<i>Ictonyx striatus</i>	Zorilla	Int.	?	LC	De Luca and Mpunga 2005a	WCS (skin)
<i>Poecilogale albinucha</i>	Striped weasel	O	W	LC	De Luca and Mpunga 2005a	WCS (skin)
<i>Mellivora capensis</i>	Honey badger (Ratele)	Ph	Throughout	LC	This study, De Luca and Mpunga 2005a	WCS (skin)

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Viverridae						
<i>Genetta genetta</i>	Common genet	Ph	W, LF, SF	LC	This study, De Luca and Mpunga 2005a	MTSN, WCS
<i>Genetta maculata</i>	Large spotted genet	Ph	W, LF, SF	LC	This study, De Luca and Mpunga 2005a	MTSN, WCS
<i>Genetta servalina lowei</i>	Lowe's servaline genet	Ph	LF, SF, MF	LC	This study, De Luca and Mpunga 2005a	MTSN, WCS
<i>Civettictis civetta</i>	African civet	Ph	Throughout	LC	This study, De Luca and Mpunga 2005a	MTSN, WCS
Nandiniidae						
<i>Nandinia binotata</i>	African palm civet	Ph	LF, SF, MF	LC	This study, De Luca and Mpunga 2005a	MTSN, WCS
Herpestidae						
<i>Herpestes sanguineus</i>	Slender mongoose	O	LF	LC	De Luca and Mpunga 2005a	
<i>Helogale parvula</i>	Dwarf mongoose	Int	WG, W	LC	De Luca and Mpunga 2005a	
<i>Mungos mungo</i>	Banded mongoose	Ph	VG, W, LF	LC	This study, De Luca and Mpunga 2005a	MTSN, WCS
<i>Attilax paludinosus</i>	Marsh mongoose	Ph	LF, SF, MF	EN	This study, De Luca and Mpunga 2005a	MTSN, WCS
<i>Ichneumonia albicauda</i>	White-tailed mongoose	Ph	W, WG	LC	De Luca and Mpunga 2005a	WCS
<i>Rhynchochale melleri</i>	Meller's mongoose	Ph	SF	LC	De Luca and Mpunga 2005a	WCS
<i>Beoogale crassicauda</i>	Bushy-tailed mongoose	Ph	W, LF, SF, MF	LC	This study, De Luca and Mpunga 2005a	MTSN, WCS
<i>Beoogale jacksoni</i>	Jackson's mongoose	Ph	LF	VU	De Luca and Rovero 2006	MTSN, WCS
Hyenidae						
<i>Crocuta crocuta</i>	Spotted hyaena	Ph	Throughout	CD	This study, De Luca and Mpunga 2005a	MTSN, WCS
<i>Proteles cristatus</i>	Aardwolf	Rk	W, WG	LC	De Luca and Mpunga 2005a	
Felidae						
<i>Felis sylvestris</i>	Wild cat	S	LF	LC	De Luca and Mpunga 2005a	
<i>Felis serval</i>	Serval	Ph, O	W, WG, LF	LC	De Luca and Mpunga 2005a, M. Menegon personal communication	WCS
<i>Felis caracal</i>	Caracal	Ph	W, WG	LC	De Luca and Mpunga 2005a	
<i>Panthera pardus</i>	Leopard	Ph	Throughout	LC	This study, De Luca and Mpunga 2005a	WCS
<i>Panthera leo</i>	Lion	S, O	Throughout	VU	This study, De Luca and Mpunga 2005a, T. Jones personal communication	MTSN, WCS
Pholidota						
Manidae						
<i>Manis temminckii</i>	Ground pangolin	O	LF	NT	A. Marshall personal communication	
Tubulidentata						
Orycteropodidae						
<i>Orycteropus afer</i>	Aardvark					
Hyracoidea						
Procaviidae						
<i>Dendrohyrax arboreus</i>	Eastern tree hyrax	Ph	W, WG, LF, SF	LC	This study	MTSN, WCS
<i>Heterohyrax brucei</i>	Yellow-spotted hyrax					
Proboscidea						
Elephantidae						
<i>Loxodonta africana</i>	African elephant	Ph, O	Throughout	VU	This study	MTSN, WCS

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Artiodactyla						
Suidae						
<i>Potamochoerus larvatus</i>	Bush pig	Ph, O	Throughout	LC	This study	MTSN, WVCS
<i>Potamochoerus africanus</i>	Warthog	Ph, O	W, LF	LC	This study	WCS
Bovidae						
<i>Philantomba monticola</i>	Blue duiker	Ph, O	SF, MF	CD	This study	MTSN
<i>Cephalophus harnayi</i>	Harvey's duiker	Ph, O	W, LF, SF, MF	EN ⁴	This study, Rovero and Marshall 2005	MTSN, WVCS
<i>Cephalophus spadix</i>	Abbott's duiker	Ph	LF, SF, MF	LC	This study, Rovero et al. 2005	MTSN, WVCS
<i>Hippopotamus amphibius</i>	Hippopotamus	Ph, O	LF	CD	This study	MTSN, WCS
<i>Hippotragus niger</i>	Sable antelope	Ph, O	W, WG	LC	This study	WCS
<i>Madoqua kirkii</i>	Kirk's dikdik	Ph	W	LC	This study	WCS
<i>Neotragus moschatus</i>	Suri	Ph, O	LF, SF, MF	CD	This study	WCS
<i>Kobus ellipsiprymnus</i>	Water buck	Ph	LF, W	CD	This study	MTSN, WVCS
<i>Synacerus caffer</i>	African buffalo	Ph, O	Throughout	CD	This study	MTSN, WVCS
<i>Sylvicapra grimmia</i>	Bush duiker	Ph	W, WG	LC	This study	WCS
<i>Tragelaphus strepsiceros</i>	Greater kudu	Ph	W	CD	This study	WCS
<i>Tragelaphus imberbis</i>	Lesser kudu	Ph	W	CD	This study, A. Perkin personal communication	WCS
<i>Tragelaphus scriptus</i>	Bushbuck	O	W, LF, SF, MF	LC	This study, Rovero et al. 2005	
<i>Taurotragus oryx</i>	Eland	Int, O	G, W	CD	This study, T. Jones personal communication	
Nesomyidae						
<i>Epmomophorus wahlbergi</i>	Wahlberg's epauletted fruit bat	T	LF, SF	LC	This study, L. Trentin unpublished data	MTSN
<i>Lissonycteris angolensis</i>	Angolan fruit bat	T	SF, MF	LC	Stanley et al. 2005a	FMNH
<i>Myonycteris relicta</i>	East-African little collared fruit bat	T	SF	VU	Stanley et al. 2005a	FMNH
<i>Rousettus aegyptiacus</i>	Egyptian fruit bat	T	LF, SF	LC	L. Trentin unpublished data, Stanley et al. 2005a	FMNH
Nycteridae						
<i>Nycterus hispida</i>	Hairy slit-faced bat	T	LF	LC	Stanley et al. 2005a	FMNH
Vesperilionidae						
<i>Neoromicia capensis</i>	Cape serotine bat	T	SF	LC	Stanley et al. 2005a	FMNH
<i>Glauconycteris variegata</i>	Butterfly bat	T	LF	LC	L. Trentin unpublished data	MTSN
<i>Myotis welwitschii</i>	Welwitch's bat	T	SF, MF	LC	Brink et al. 2001b	UDSM, FMNH
<i>Miniopterus fraterculus</i>	Lesser long-fingered bat	T	MF	LC	Brink et al. 2001a,b, L. Trentin unpublished data	UDSM
<i>Miniopterus</i> sp.	-	T	MF	-	Topp-Jørgensen et al. 2001b	UDSM
<i>Kenivoulva argentata</i>	Damara woolly bat	T	LF	LC	L. Trentin unpublished data	MTSN
<i>Pipistrellus</i> sp.	-	T	MF	-	Brink et al. 2001b	UDSM
Hipposideridae						
<i>Hipposideros ruber</i>	Noack's roundleaf bat	T	LF, SF, MF	LC	Brink et al. 2001b, L. Trentin unpublished data	UDSM, MTSN
<i>Hipposideros cyclops</i>	Cyclops roundleaf bat	T	LF, SF	LC	L. Trentin unpublished data	FMNH
<i>Rhinolophus deckenii</i>	Decken's horseshoe bat	T	LF	DD	L. Trentin unpublished data, Stanley et al. 2005b	FMNH
<i>Rhinolophus simulator</i>	Bushveld horseshoe bat	T	MF	LC	Brink et al. 2001b	UDSM
<i>Rhinolophus clivosus</i>	Geoffroy's horseshoe bat	T	MF	LC	Brink et al. 2001a,b	UDSM
<i>Rhinolophus hildebrandtii</i>	Hildebrandt's horseshoe bat	T	LF, SF	LC	L. Trentin unpublished data	MTSN

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Scientific name ¹	Common name	Detection	Habitat	Threat status	Source	Institution
<i>Galago senegalensis</i>	Senegal galago	Int.		LC	D. Moyer and A. Perkin personal communication	
<i>Canis mesomelas</i>	Black-backed jackal	Int.		LC	De Luca and Mpunga 2005a	
<i>Otocyon megalotis</i>	Bat-eared fox	Int.		LC	De Luca and Mpunga 2005a	
<i>Herpestes ichneumon</i>	Egyptian mongoose	Int.		LC	De Luca and Mpunga 2005a	
<i>Hyena hyaena</i>	Striped hyaena	Int.		NT	De Luca and Mpunga 2005a	
<i>Acinonyx jubatus</i>	Cheetah	Int.		VU	De Luca and Mpunga 2005a	
<i>Redunca redunca</i>	Bohor reedbuck	Int.		CD	D. Moyer personal communication	
<i>Oreotragus oreotragus</i>	Klipspringer	Int.		CD	This study, A. Bowkett personal communication	
<i>Atelerix albiventris</i>	African hedgehogs	Int.		LC	This study	
<i>Pronolagus rupestris</i>	Smith's red rock hare	Int.		LC	D. Moyer and A. Bowkett personal communication	
<i>Paraxerus cf. capapi</i>	Smith's bush squirrel	Int.		LC	D. Moyer personal communication	
<i>Heliosciurus cf. undulatus</i>	Gambian sun squirrel	Int.		LC	This study	

Detection: O, observed; Ph, photo-trapped; T, trapped; Voc, vocalisation; S, scat; Sp, spoor; Rd, road kill; Int, interview (species claimed to be present by at least 60% of interviewees were included). Habitat (see Table 1): WG, grassland and wooded grassland; W, dry woodland; LF, lowland forest; SF, sub-montane forest; MF, montane forest including upper montane and bamboo. Threat status follows IUCN (2007): EN, endangered; VU, vulnerable; CD, conservation dependent; NT, near threatened; LC, least concern; DD, data deficient. Institutions where voucher specimens or photographs are found (for species trapped or camera-trapped): FMNH, Field Museum of Natural History; MTSN, Museo Tridentino di Scienze Naturali; UDSM, University of Dar es Salaam; WCS, Wildlife Conservation Society – Southern Highlands Conservation Programme.

¹ Taxonomy follows Wilson and Reeder (2005), unless otherwise stated.

² Sanje mangabey is considered a sub-species by Grubb et al. (2003); however, it is given full species status by others (Kingdon 1997, Wilson and Reeder 2005).

³ The genus *Galagooides* is adopted by Grubb et al. (2003).

⁴ Abbott's duiker has been re-assessed in 2006 as IUCN Endangered by D. Moyer, T. Jones and F.R.

⁵ Claimed by 25–50% of interviewees or unconfirmed/uncertain record.

endemic mammals within the Eastern Arc Mountains. The Udzungwa Mountains are unique in comparison to other Eastern Arc Mountains in terms of both the greater size of forested areas and greater altitudinal range of forest cover. Moreover, the broad variation of habitat types that mainly occur within the National Park means that the Udzungwa Mountains support mammals from both dry and moist habitats.

Although some mammal groups have been thoroughly researched, especially carnivores, diurnal primates and forest antelopes, knowledge on the distribution, abundance and conservation status of many taxa is still very limited. Moreover, we conducted most of our camera-trap surveys inside the National Park, and therefore we do not have records for many species in other sites. Taxa needing future attention include: nocturnal primates; kipunji; Sanje mangabey; small carnivore species that were recorded sporadically and/or indirectly (e.g., Miller's mongoose, serval, caracal, wild dog and wild cat); Abbott's duiker; and dry habitat antelopes (e.g., sable, greater and lesser kudu, eland). Among the smaller species, sampling of small mammals and bats was limited to a few sites, and little information is likewise available for giant sengis, squirrels and hyraxes. Considering the number of species that have been discovered recently, namely the kipunji, Phillips' Congo shrew and the grey-faced sengi, further survey work focussed especially on small mammals might still reveal new records and/or new species.

The main threats to Udzungwa's mammals are hunting and habitat degradation and loss (Dinesen et al. 2001, Nielsen 2006, this study). The most serious encroachment is happening in the forest reserves, which are not adequately protected under the current management regimes (Rovero and Menegon 2005, Burgess et al. 2007). In addition to hunting, which targets mainly ungulates (De Luca and Mpunga 2005a), firewood collection, farming, and tree cutting are routinely conducted and the impact on the mammal fauna is evident. Firewood collection has been allowed in the National Park since its establishment in 1992 and this is having a serious impact on the microfauna associated with the forest floor (Nyundo et al. 2006), and probably on ground-dwelling mammals such as the Sanje mangabey and duikers. The most important causes of habitat degradation are logging and cultivation. Intense commercial logging occurred in the 1970s (Dinesen et al. 2001); however, selective logging of timber tree species has been reported from many forest reserves (Dinesen et al. 2001, A. Marshall personal communication, this study). The loss of connectivity between Udzungwa forest patches is a potential threat to the viability of many populations, especially threatened species such as Abbott's duiker and the Sanje mangabey that occur in isolated populations. Dry season bushfires, and farming and settlements in some areas, are the main causes preventing natural restoration of connectivity among forest patches (Dinesen et al. 2001). Similarly, the isolation of the Udzungwa Mountains from adjacent ecosystems (the Ruaha and Rubeo Mountains and Selous Game Reserve) is increasing as more people move closer to protected areas (Schipper and Burgess 2004). Initiatives aimed at assessing connectivity and evaluating options for restoring wildlife corridors are currently being implemented.

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