

Tuskers
of
Kruger National Park

Region: Letaba - version 7

OVERVIEW OF THE TUSKERS IN KRUGER NATIONAL PARK

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Region: Letaba (North of Olifants – Phalaborwa - halfway to Mopani)

Purpose of this document is to help you identifying Tuskers you might see in the Kruger NP

Thanks to all people who contributed to this document with their photos.
You will find detailed photos (if available) of the characteristics of the Tuskers like earmarks and tusks.

If you like to see more pictures and impressions of the tuskers you can use this link to my website.

www.tuskersofafrica.com

I hope this will help you with identifying these wonderful creatures of South-Africa.

In case you meet one or more of these Tuskers please send photos to me by using these email addresses:

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This will help to keep this document and the website up-to-date.

With kindly regards,
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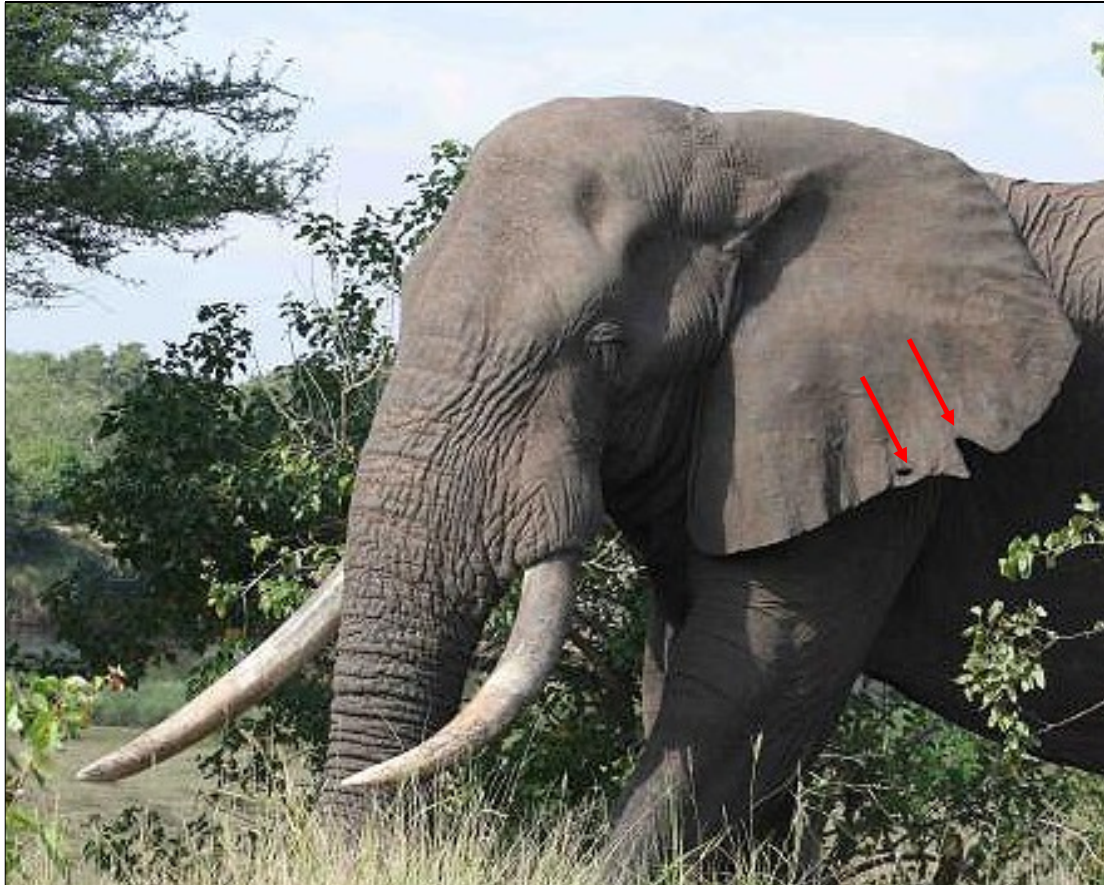
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Name	BIDZANE
Characteristics:	A characteristic large v-shaped notch in the middle of the left earlobe, notable small hole about 10cm below the tear.
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Name	HLAHLENI
Characteristics:	Both ears are clean. Left tusk more curved than right, classically shaped tusks, almost equal in length
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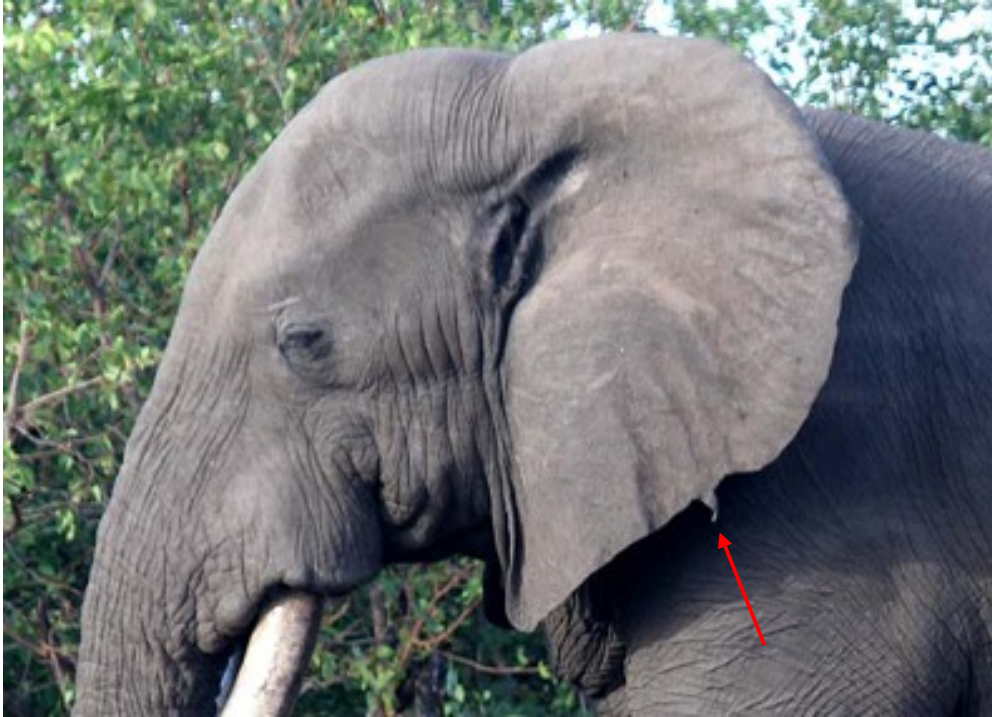
Name	INTWANDAMELA
Characteristics:	Left ear: notch and loose piece of skin near the center. Tusks: Both tusks almost equal in length
Range	Letaba - Phalaborwa



Collared by STE (Save the Elephants)

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Name	MAHLAHINI
Characteristics:	Right ear: Clean, Left ear: (near the center) a small notch with a small piece of loose skin. Both tusks are curved inwards.
Range	Letaba



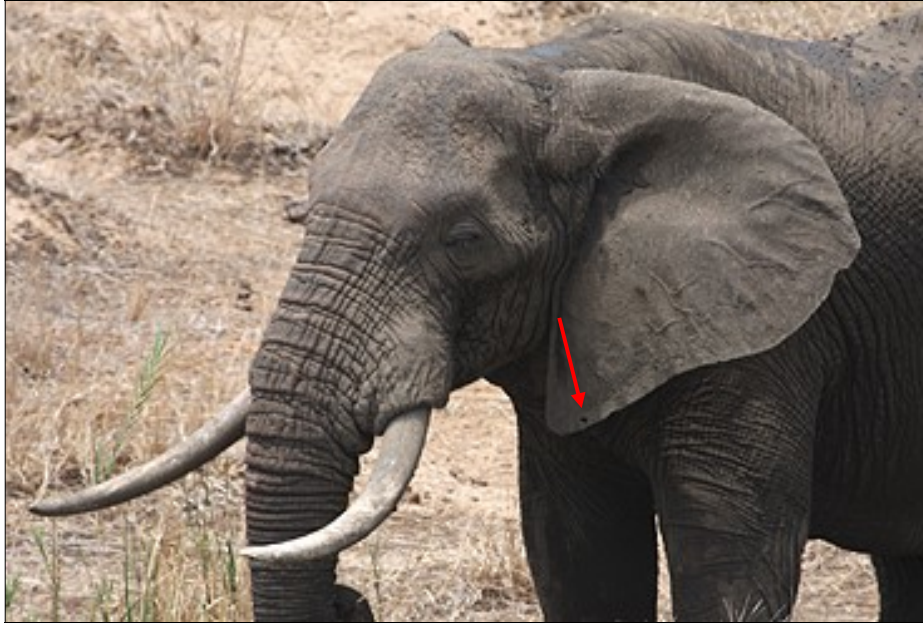
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Name	MAKHADZI
Characteristics:	A small notch in right ear (centre), left ear two very small holes but not good visible. The right tusk has been broken long time ago but is growing again. Left tusk shaped in classical way
Range	Letaba



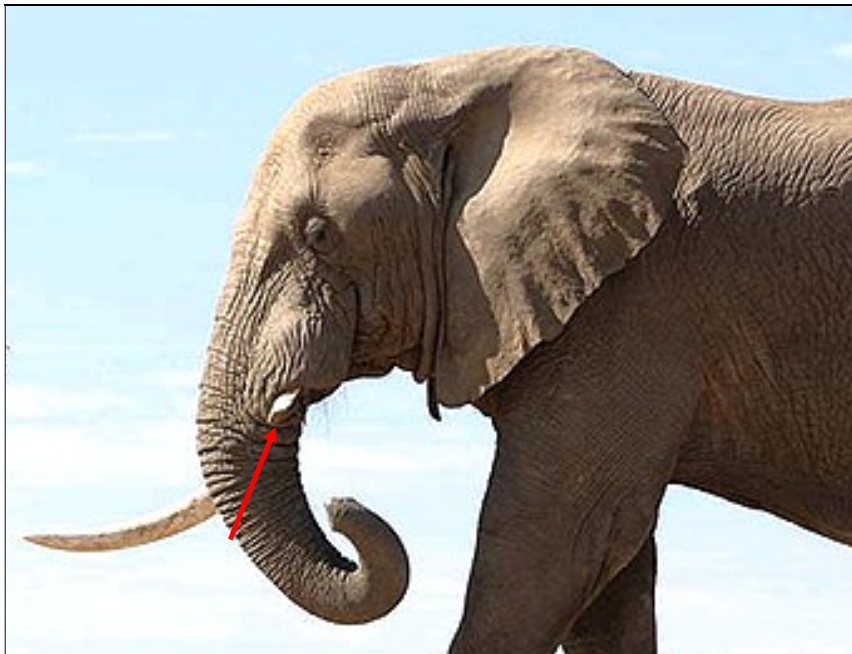
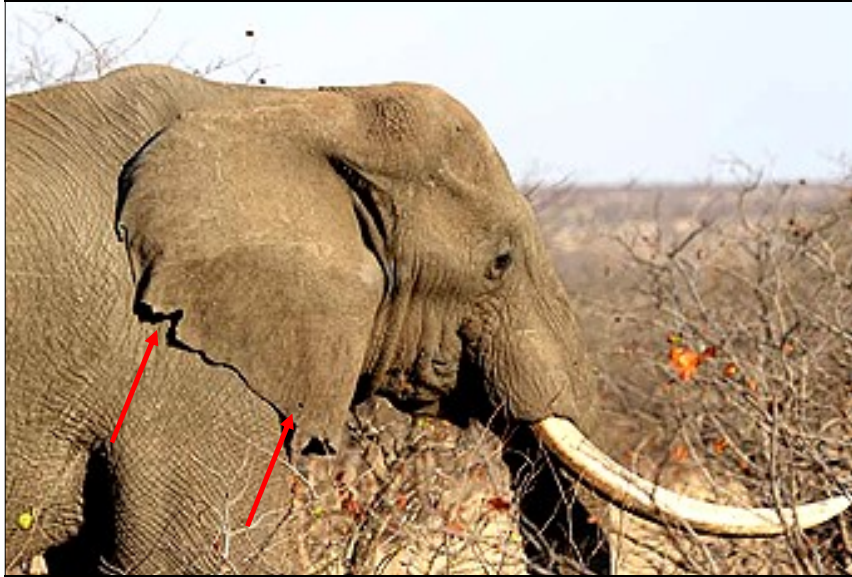
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Name	MALOPENYANA
Characteristics:	Small hole in the lower section of the left ear. Both tusks are almost equal in length.
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Name	MFULENI
Characteristics:	Right ear: Small hole, a V-shaped notch and at top of the earlobe a loose piece of skin. Small notch in left ear. Right tusk is thick and curved, left tusk broken
Range	Letaba



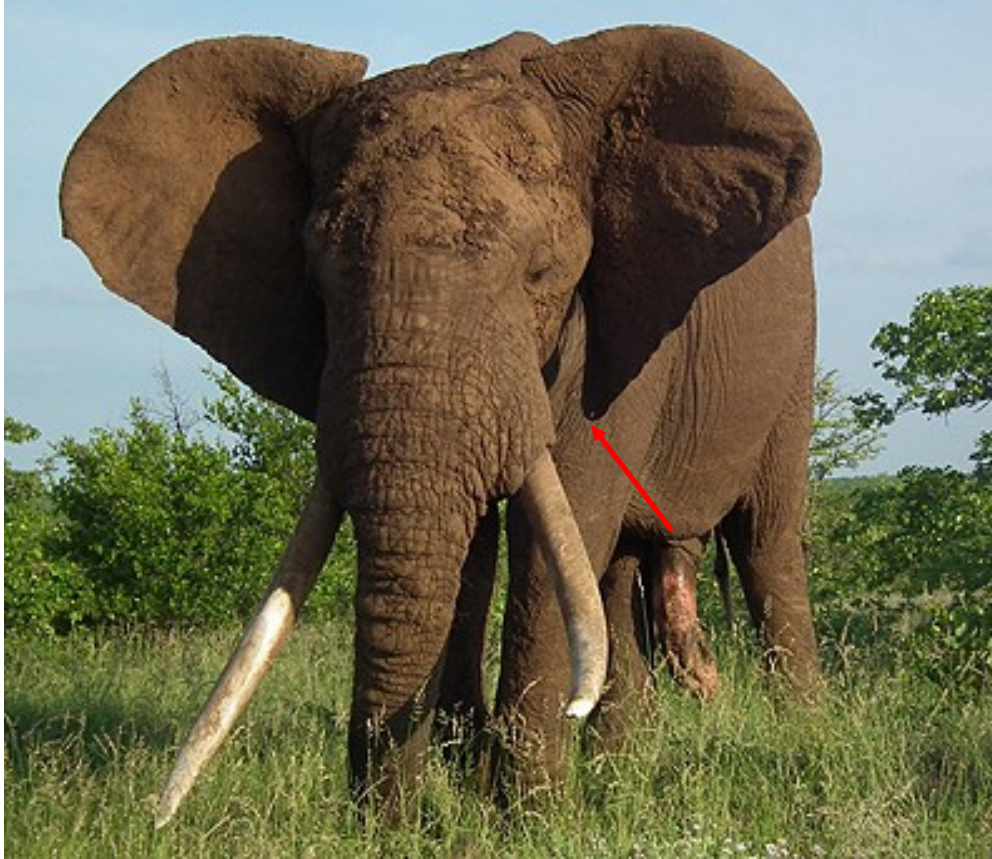
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Name	MIGHTY CRAIC
Characteristics:	Right ear: small hole, left ear: two small holes. Both tusks curved inwards. Collared by STE (June 2012)
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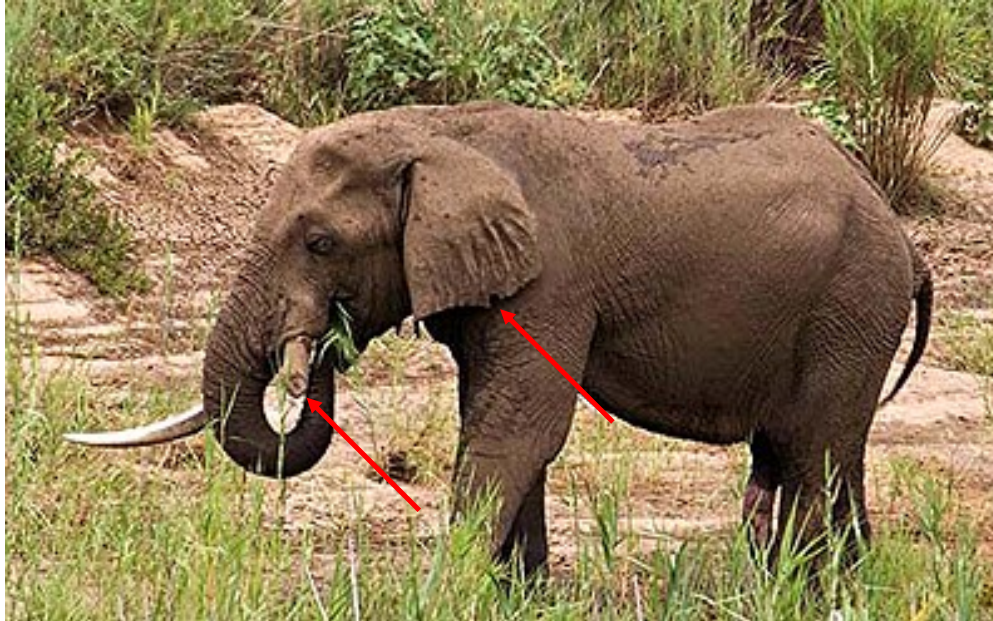
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Name	NGONYAMA
Characteristics:	Widely splayed tusks. Left tusk slightly longer than the right tusk. A small hole at the lower side of the left ear. Some thickened skin on the upper trunk.
Range	Phalaborwa - Mopani - Letaba



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Name	NWATIMBUTI
Characteristics:	Left ear: U-shaped notch near the center, Right ear: a small notch also near the center. Right tusk long and curved, left tusk broken and pointing a bit to the left
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Name	SHIKOMU
Characteristics:	Right ear: small piece of loose skin, Left ear: Ragged. Tusks: Almost equal in length and slightly curved
Range	Letaba - Mopani



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Your Tusker sightings:

Tusker name	Date and time	Location