



Figure 1. African Parks. <https://www.africanparks.org>.

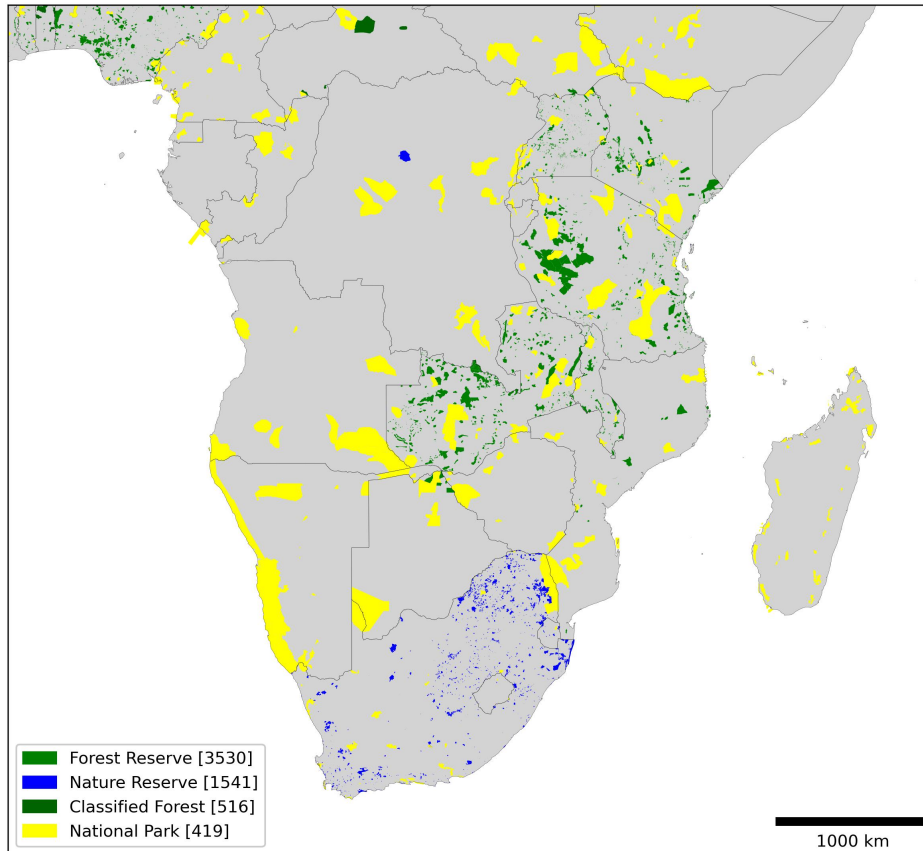


Figure 2. World Database on Protected Areas (WDPA). Protected Areas in Africa. UNEP-WCMC and IUCN (2025).

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