

ELEPHANT PARTNERS



Leave a positive footprint on one of the greatest ecosystems on earth - be an elephant partner!

ELEPHANT SIGHTINGS - DATASHEET GUIDELINES

- 1. **Observer name** enter your name.
- 2. **Observation Date** select the date from the calendar.
- 3. **Time** enter time in the form, 24-hour format.
- 4. **Observer Designation** select the word that best describes who you are.
- 5. **General Area** enter the general area the elephants are sighted e.g. Maasai Mara N R (MMNR), Conservancies: Naboisho, Olare Orok, Lemek, Mara, Enonkishu, Maasai Mara North, Olchorro Oiroua, etc.
- 6. Place Name enter the place name if you know it.
- 7. **Georeference Lat; Long** If you have a GPS please enter the Latitude and Longitude in WGS 84; if you are online use the Google map and to the best of your ability click on the location you saw the elephants. A marker will appear and enter the GPS information.
- 8. **Group Type** choose the option that best describes the group you have seen: *family group (s) only* if the group is made up of just mothers and calves; *family groups with adults males* if the group is composed of mothers, calves and adult males (those males larger than adult females); *males only* if the group is only composed of adult males (no adult females and calves); unknown if you aren't able to determine what kind of group it is
- 9. **Number of Elephants Seen** Count the elephants to the best of your ability and enter the total number sighted in the group.
- 10. Count Accuracy select the option that best describes your count: exact count; good estimate; guess.
- 11. Names of families recognised if you recognise or can determine the family by using the Mara Elephants Who's Who, enter its name or the name of the matriarch here.
- 12. Names/ID number of Female Elephants Recognised if you recognise any individuals in the group enter their ID Code or names here. If you are online and want to try to ID the elephants using the Mara Elephants Who's Who click Look up.
- 13. **Names/ID number of Male Elephants Recognised** if you recognise any individuals in the group enter their ID Code or names here. If you are online and want to try to ID the elephants using the Mara Elephants Who's Who click *Look up*.
- 14. **Field Notes** enter any information that you think is of interest here.
- 15. **Add photo** if you have taken a photo that you believe would help describe the group or any of the individuals, click here to upload your photo.
- 16. Any Sick or Wounded Elephant? The default is no, but if you see a sick or wounded elephant click, yes.

SICK OR WOUNDED ELEPHANT GUIDELINES

- 17. Sick or Wounded Details To add information regarding a sick or wounded elephant, click, Add sick info.
- 18. Name/ID Enter the name or ID Code of the sick or wounded individual if known.
- 19. **Sex** Select the animal's sex from the options: *female, male* or *unknown*.
- 20. Age Select the individual's age to the best of your ability from the options available: calf, juvenile, sub-adult, adult.
- 21. **Type** Select from the options available: *injury, sickness,* or *unknown*.
- 22. Foraging affected select yes or no.
- 23. Movement affected select yes or no.
- 24. **Type of wound** select the option that best describes the type of wound, if relevant.
- 25. **Injury status** select the option that best describes the wound.