

## Visiting wildlife in Nairobi

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Nairobi is far more rural than you'd think a city of three million could be.

Before visiting the city's main cathedral, we took a detour and stopped at two animal sanctuaries. The [David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust](#) [1] and [the Giraffe Centre](#) [2], where the hungry beasts get fed a constant stream of treats from visitors standing on the observation deck.

This male giraffe was about 15 feet tall and his face looked even more cartoonish in person than it does in this photograph. The staffers suggest putting the food on your lips and getting a raspy kiss. I passed.

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[1] <http://www.sheldrickwildlifetrust.org>

[2] [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Giraffe\\_Centre](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Giraffe_Centre)