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| Kingdom Mandatory |  | Insert South African distribution map here (if available)*Map not critical at this stage. If available, please paste in here but also send high res images separately with completed Word document by email to Kerry Sink. Maps can be produced by SANBI if requested.**Need to link the map to species occurrence data where possible (if the data are from other institutions then they will need to be acknowledged at the end of the species page.* |
| Phylum Mandatory | *Free text* |
| ClassOptional | *Free text**may be able to link directly to SANBI checklist* |
| OrderOptional | *Free text**may be able to link directly to SANBI checklist*  |
| FamilyOptional | *Free text**may be able to link directly to SANBI checklist* |
| **Taxonomic notes** Optional | *Free text* Alternate classification/s or taxonomic uncertainties |

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| Name published in:Mandatory | *Free text*Reference for original first description  |
| Synonyms:Optional  | *Free text* *May be able to link to SANBI checklist*Synonymised taxa and where possible explanation for synonym, with references in which synonymy was formalised |
| Common name:Optional | *Free text* *May be able to link to SANBI checklist*Common names associated with this taxon. |
| Description:Option of:□ Summary Description□ Full DescriptionTick preferred option for display on opening of species page, but both should be accessible through tabs | *Free text*Common features – morphology / appearance / characteristics used to identify the species. If the description is taken largely from a publication, include the full reference, and state that the description is extracted from this referencePlease cite the description provided here as Author, date, title, journal, vol, page numbers  |
| Growth form/s:Optional | A commonly used descriptor of the type of animal, for example megaherbivore, small mammal, raptor, pelagic fish, benthic worm |
| Ecology: Mandatory | *Free text*Describe relationship between the organism and its environment |
| Movement:Optional | *Free text*Indicate if sessile or mobile, any migration (horizontal, vertical, seasonal etc), residency. Also note if unknown |
| Reproduction:Optional | *Free text*Reproductive strategy, seasonality |
| Life cycle:Optional | *Free text* |
| Trophic strategy:Optional | *Free text*Trophic level, feeding method |
| Habitat:Mandatory | [ ] Marine[ ] Estuarine[ ] Freshwater[ ] Terrestrial*Free Text.* Any additional information |
| Biome:Mandatory | [ ] Inshore[ ] Offshore(>30m)[ ] Intertidal[ ] Benthic[ ] Pelagic[ ] Planktonic[ ] ParasiteAdd with tickbox:[ ] Fynbos[ ] Succulent Karoo[ ] Desert[ ] Nama-Karoo[ ] Grassland[ ] Savanna[ ] Albany Thicket[ ] Indian Ocean Coastal Belt[ ] Forest [ ] Wetlands (inland)[ ] Rocky areas (inland cliffs, mountain peaks)[ ] Caves and subterranean habitats (non-aqualtic)[ ] Artificial (Terrestrial)[ ] Introduced vegetation*Free text* Any finer scale habitat knowledge |
| Global distribution:Mandatory | *Free text*Describe ranges, e.g., a global range, or a narrower one; may be biogeographical, political or other (e.g. only in managed areas like conservancies). Cite references please.  |
| Southern Africa distribution:Mandatory | *Free text* Description of distribution (where to where, depth range if known) (alien species – include origin, invasion pathway). Cite references please. |
| Residency status:Mandatory | [ ] National endemic |
| [ ] Indigenous / Native |
| [ ] Vagrant |
| [ ] Cryptogenic (origins unknown) |
| [ ] Alien / Introduced |
| [ ] Invasive |
| Exploitation:Mandatory | *Describe uses of species and which sectors are involved. Eg. Caught by recreational fisherman. If uncertain state this.*  |
| IUCN Red list status:Optional  | Choose an item. | IUCN Red list assessment date: |  |
|  | Brief rationale for assessment *Free text* |
|  | **Threats**: (tick boxes)Residential and commercial developmentAgriculture and aquacultureEnergy production and miningTransportation and service corridorsBiological resource useHuman intrusions and disturbanceNatural systems modificationsInvasive and other problematic species and genesPollutionGeological eventsClimate change and severe weatherOther |
| Legislation:Optional | Tick box:CITESNEM:BA: TOPSNEM:BA: Alien invasive speciesMarine Living Resources ActProtected Trees, National Forest ActOther*Free text*Notes on legislation |
|  | *Free text* Detail of legislation (include category and implications).  |
| Conservation activities for protected speciesOptional | *Free text* |
| **Control methods for invasive species****Optional** | *Free text* |
| **Impacts for alien invasive species****Optional**  | *Free text* |
| Other:Optional | *Sub Heading**(Please Bold)* | *Free Text.* Any additional information relevant to the species. |
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| References Mandatory | General references not listed in previous section, but accessed for information or that may be useful for accessing more information |

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