



Ostrich Encounter

Our first morning in Amboseli, our driver John spotted some Ostrich and found a road to take us closer. We watched them for a half hour or more. The males were feeling amorous, and actively displaying. The females were having none of it. We watched several chases which all ended in frustrated males.



Catch me if you can! Ostrich can run 43 miles per hour...but evidently the females can run just slightly faster than the males.







As we watched, one of the males went into full mating display mode, down on his heels and swinging his head and wings in an undulating pattern. By the look of it and the behavior of the females and other males, no one was impressed except for the folks in the van!



