



## THE LEOPARD WAITS, THEN DISAPPEARS INTO THE GRASS

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**M**ARGARET CAUDILL-SLOSBERG ENJOYS CAPTURING FLEETING MOMENTS—for her, it’s what photography is all about. A self-taught photographer, and dedicated bird-watcher, she often finds herself off the beaten path.

“The leopard waits, was shot while on safari in Kenya’s Masai Mara prior to participating in a medical service project near Nairobi,” Caudill-Slosberg says. “We saw a leopard up in a tree and asked the driver to park in front of it. The animal began descending and we were really excited about that—until he leapt into the grass and disappeared.”

Not knowing the leopard’s whereabouts, Caudill-Slosberg and her friend decided to leave, but their open vehicle was stuck on a rock. “As you can imagine, nobody wanted to get out of the car to investigate,” she recalls. “By the time the driver freed the

car, we noticed the leopard was back in the tree. This image is one of a series of photos I took of the leopard descending the tree and leaping into the grass.”

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