## Supplementary Material

Table S1 - Kernel Density Home Range Estimates. KDE was set at $95 \%$. Units are in $\mathbf{~ k m}{ }^{\mathbf{2}}$

| species | region | age | count | mean | median | sd | min | max |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| cv | south | adult | 18 | 58339 | 15827 | 97249 | 878 | 396682 |
| cv | south | imm | 24 | 174748 | 87600 | 192409 | 761 | 623804 |
| rv | east | adult | 15 | 159138 | 77830 | 199061 | 15848 | 741265 |
| rv | east | imm | 4 | 839568 | 675468 | 968673 | 26250 | 1981087 |
| wb | east | adult | 46 | 41687 | 15568 | 65713 | 2739 | 394785 |
| wb | east | imm | 13 | 126332 | 22647 | 264341 | 2697 | 975083 |
| wb | south | adult | 30 | 108501 | 19601 | 195714 | 790 | 875607 |
| wb | south | imm | 13 | 329716 | 193193 | 317619 | 6982 | 892097 |

Table S2 - Minimum Convex Polygon Home Range Estimates. Polygon was set at 95\%. Units are in $\mathbf{k m}^{\mathbf{2}}$

| species | region | age | count | mean | median | sd | min | max |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| cv | south | adult | 18 | 55170 | 12988 | 92546 | 574 | 378442 |
| cv | south | imm | 24 | 146715 | 86905 | 158142 | 248 | 542838 |
| rv | east | adult | 15 | 125422 | 71033 | 153677 | 10967 | 582529 |
| rv | east | imm | 4 | 659299 | 533117 | 755287 | 26091 | 1544869 |
| wb | east | adult | 46 | 39784 | 18817 | 49348 | 2650 | 223958 |
| wb | east | imm | 13 | 111905 | 21324 | 236675 | 2282 | 863473 |
| wb | south | adult | 30 | 123748 | 22871 | 199947 | 879 | 697135 |
| wb | south | imm | 13 | 217723 | 165477 | 183490 | 6948 | 527635 |

Table S3 - Results of posthoc comparisons from model 1. Results are averaged over breeding status and study. Significant values are highlighted in bold. The estimates are on the log scale.

| contrast | estimate | SE | df | t.ratio | p.value |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| cv-rv | -0.713 | 0.419 | 146 | -1.702 | 0.3265 |
| cv-wb | -0.236 | 0.283 | 146 | -0.834 | 0.8381 |
| cv-wbe | 0.256 | 0.371 | 146 | 0.69 | 0.9008 |
| rv-wb | 0.477 | 0.414 | 146 | 1.152 | 0.6581 |
| rv-wbe | $\mathbf{0 . 9 6 9}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 2 7 8}$ | $\mathbf{1 4 6}$ | $\mathbf{3 . 4 8 4}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 0 0 3 6}$ |
| wb-wbe | 0.492 | 0.36 | 146 | 1.367 | 0.522 |

Table S4 - Results of posthoc comparisons from model 2. Results are averaged over breeding status and study. Significant values are highlighted in bold. The estimates are on the log odds scale.

| contrast | estimate | SE | df | t.ratio | p.value |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| cv-rv | -1.1605 | 0.467 | 146 | -2.483 | 0.0668 |
| cv-wb | $\mathbf{- 0 . 7 6 7 8}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 2 8 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 4 6}$ | $\mathbf{- 2 . 7 0 8}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 0 3 7 6}$ |
| cv-wbe | $\mathbf{- 1 . 2 5 0 1}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 4 3 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 4 6}$ | $\mathbf{- 2 . 8 8 7}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 0 2 3}$ |
| rv-wb | 0.3926 | 0.46 | 146 | 0.854 | 0.8283 |
| rv-wbe | -0.0897 | 0.253 | 146 | -0.355 | 0.9846 |
| wb-wbe | -0.4823 | 0.422 | 146 | -1.142 | 0.6641 |

Table S5 - The proportion of overlap of tracks (Brownian bridge estimates 95\%) with protected areas according to country where they were tagged. Counts refer to the number of individual birds.

| species | country | count | mean | median | sd |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| cv | Namibia | 1 | 0.098 | 0.098 | NA |
| cv | South Africa | 41 | 0.236 | 0.143 | 0.235 |
| rv | Ethiopia | 1 | 0.189 | 0.189 | NA |
| rv | Kenya | 18 | 0.585 | 0.568 | 0.218 |
| wb | Ethiopia | 5 | 0.36 | 0.296 | 0.23 |
| wb | Kenya | 21 | 0.62 | 0.597 | 0.183 |
| wb | Mozambique | 9 | 0.654 | 0.677 | 0.274 |
| wb | Namibia | 18 | 0.489 | 0.459 | 0.222 |
| wb | South Africa | 11 | 0.471 | 0.323 | 0.364 |
| wb | Swaziland | 2 | 0.454 | 0.454 | 0.317 |
| wb | Tanzania | 33 | 0.797 | 0.823 | 0.128 |
| wb | Zambia | 3 | 0.577 | 0.601 | 0.055 |

Table S6. Breakdown of studies used in our annual home range analysis showing the regions, species and number of individuals.

| species | region | count |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| wb | south | 3 |
| rv | east | 1 |
| wb | east | 5 |
| wb | south | 2 |
| wb | south | 10 |
| rv | east | 13 |
| wb | east | 11 |
| wb | east | 30 |
| cv | south | 13 |
| wb | south | 5 |
| cv | south | 8 |
| wb | south | 5 |
| wb | south | 10 |
| cv | south | 1 |
| cv | south | 7 |
| rv | east | 2 |
| wb | east | 7 |
| rv | east | 3 |
| wb | east | 6 |
| cv | south | 13 |
| wb | south | 8 |
|  |  |  |

Table S7. Breakdown of studies used in our monthly home range analysis showing the regions, species and number of individuals.

| region | species | count |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| wb | south | 2 |
| rv | east | 1 |
| wb | east | 5 |
| wb | south | 2 |
| wb | south | 10 |
| rv | east | 13 |
| wb | east | 11 |
| wb | east | 32 |
| cv | south | 10 |
| wb | south | 5 |
| cv | south | 8 |
| wb | south | 6 |
| wb | south | 10 |
| cv | south | 6 |
| cv | south | 7 |
| rv | east | 2 |
| wb | east | 8 |
| rv | east | 3 |
| wb | east | 6 |
| wb | south | 2 |
| cv | south | 13 |
| wb | south | 10 |
|  |  |  |



Figure S1. Posthoc comparisons of the four vulture populations for models 1-2. Model 1 concerns overall home range; model 2 overlap of overall home range with protected areas. Models $\mathbf{1}$ and $\mathbf{2}$ are averaged over breeding status and study variables. The $\mathbf{x}$ axis for model $\mathbf{1}$ is on the log scale; $\mathbf{2}$ is on the log odds ratio scale.


Figure S2. Home range comparison among populations and split by method. They represent the $95 \%$ estimates. Diamonds represent mean values. Y axis is on the $\log _{10}$ scale so, for example, $4=10, \mathbf{0 0 0} \mathbf{k m}^{\mathbf{2}}$.

