



## Foundation for the Protection of the Arabian Leopard in Yemen

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"Working to ensure a sustainably managed wild population of Arabian Leopards living in harmony with local communities in Yemen"

### "Friends of the Arabian Leopard"

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**1. Sebastian Kennerknecht Gets Stunning Results in the *Hawf Protected Area*:** At a time of extreme national duress during which Yemen was ostracized and abandoned by numerous foreign governments, Santa Cruz-based German conservation photographer Sebastian Kennerknecht elected to trust in the *Foundation* and attempt to capture high resolution images of Arabia's rarest and most elusive mammal. Committing himself to three months in the field at the remote *Hawf Protected Area*, Sebastian operated five trail cameras of his own design triggered by Trailmaster TM 1550 active infrared Trail Monitoring Systems. The *Foundation* is delighted to have been able to collaborate with



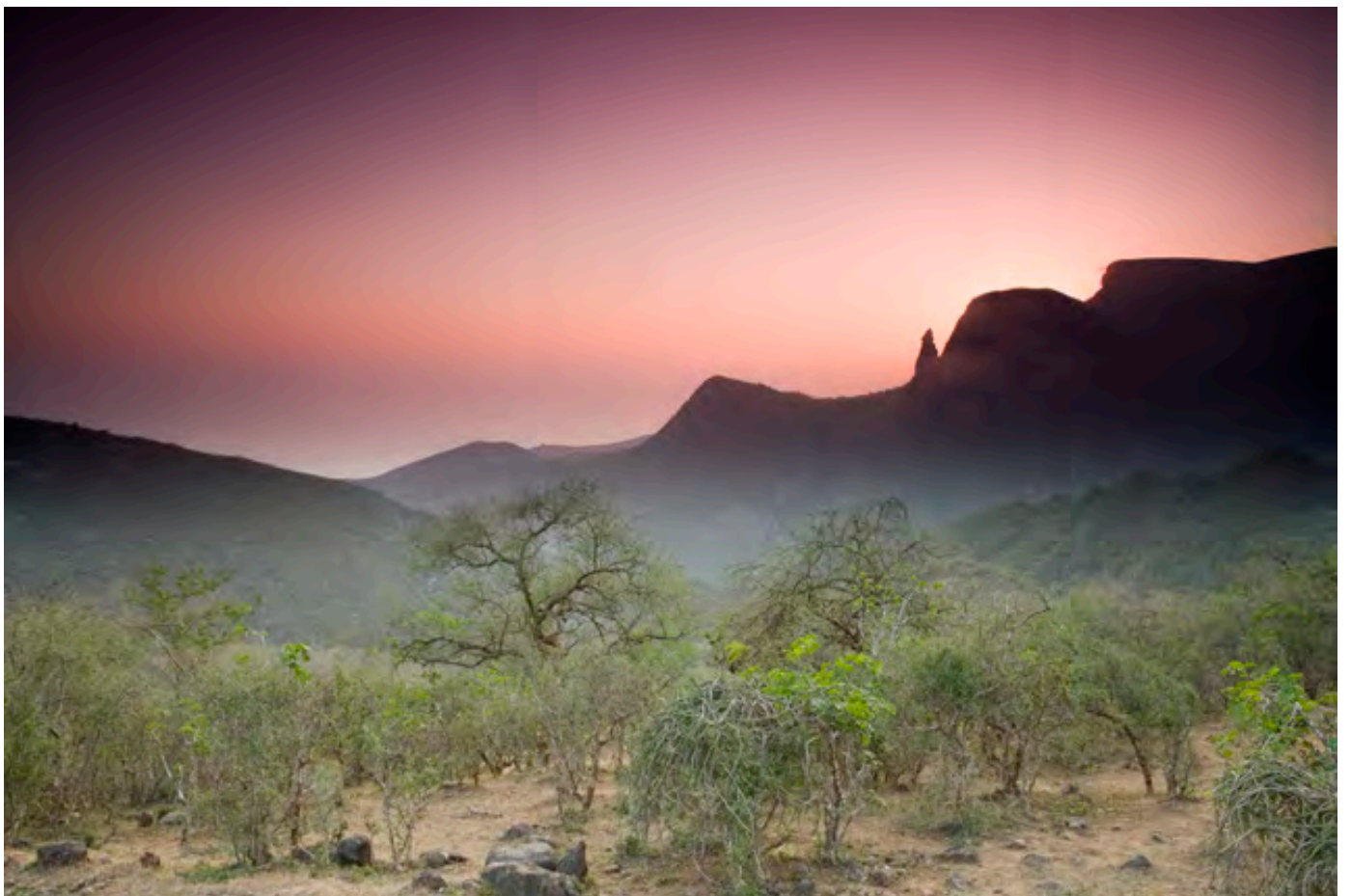
a professional of Sebastian's caliber on this project. His passion and dedication resulted in many fine images that capture the essence of the wildlife, people, and landscapes at Hawf. Working with Sebastian inspired Murad and Waleed to seek a higher standard for their own work and increased their commitment to furthering their careers as conservationists. The *Foundation* is privileged to showcase several of Sebastian's stunning images in Update No. 26, its first newsletter of 2012. *Friends of the Arabian Leopard* who would like to see more of Sebastian's work are invited to log onto his website at: <http://www.pumapix.com/> or to contact the photographer directly at: 1815 Katrina Court, Santa Cruz, California, 95062 (Tel: 510-673-3194) or [sebastian@pumapix.com](mailto:sebastian@pumapix.com). A portion of the profits from every sale will be donated to conservation projects for endangered wildlife.

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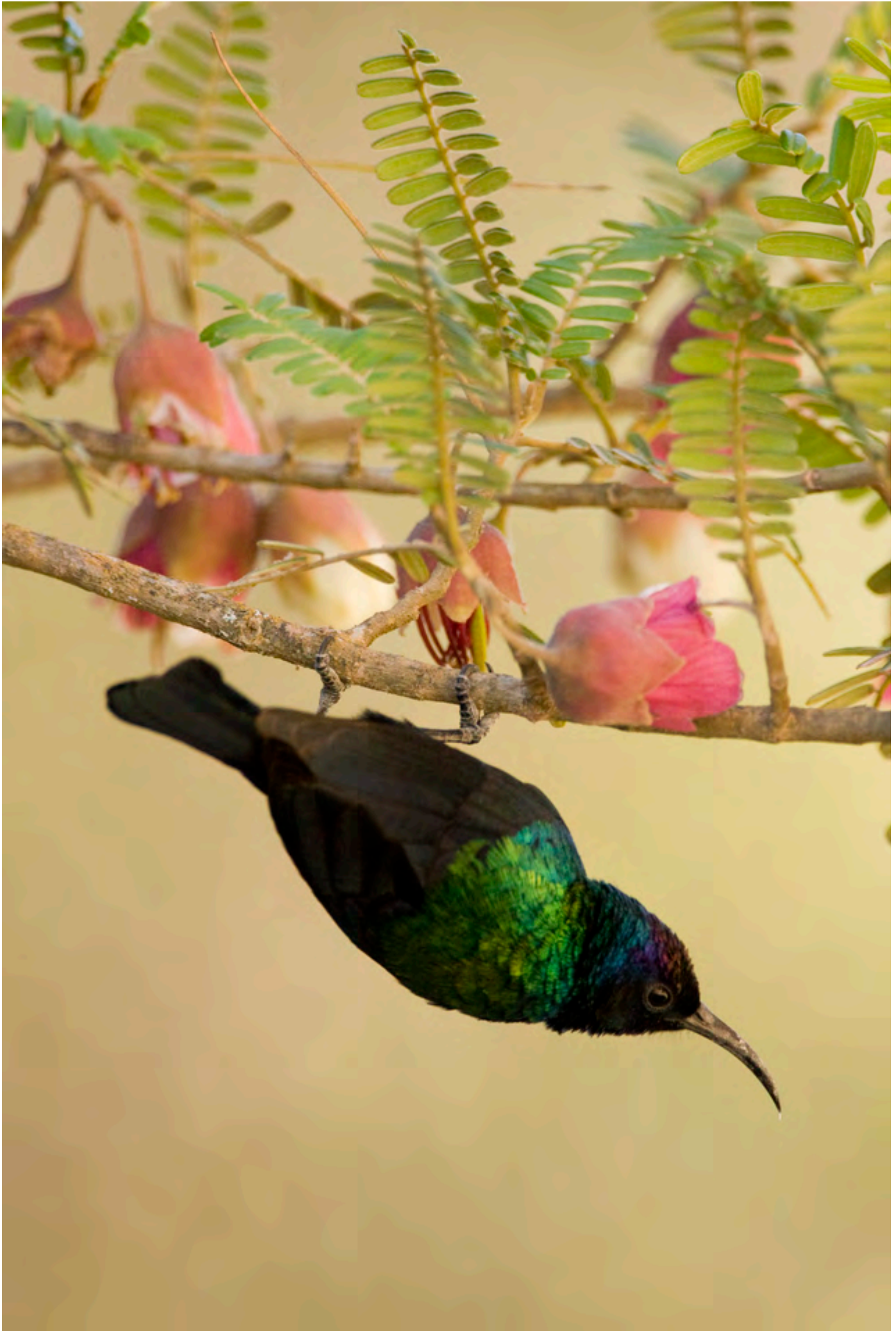


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**2. Ibb Leopard Survey Generating Good Data:** Using equipment purchased with funds from the *Foundation's* operating budget, Zaher Al-Masqary and Gallal Al-Suraihi are getting useful results from Al Mahjar Forest in Ibb Governorate. Tantalizing reports of leopard presence remain unproven, but a good selection of other mammals have revealed themselves to the four Bushnell trail cameras that Zaher and Gallal monitor.



**“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.” - Margaret Mead**



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