

Nembe mammal names

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Most English and scientific names follow Kingdon 1997; common names used by Powell 1995 in parenthesis. Nigerian English names are shown in quotation marks.

Mammals

Nembe	English	Scientific
adáka	lion	<i>Panthera leo</i>
(adikororo)	western tree-hyrax	<i>Dendrohyrax dorsalis</i>
akan-òbùgò	putty-nosed monkey (putty-nosed guenon)	<i>Cercopithecus nictitans</i> . Cf. òbùgò
akatulúte ìmbì	(male?) red river hog with projecting tusks	<i>Potamochoerus porcus</i> . Cf. ìmbì
hìlá	African elephant	<i>Loxodonta africana</i>
hóliá	dolphin; dolphinfish	family Delphinidae; <i>Coryphaena</i> sp. [a fish]
hou-òbori	water chevrotain	<i>Hyemoschus aquaticus</i> . Also recorded as hou-óbiri , hou-òbori
ege-òbùgò	olive colobus	<i>Procolobus verus</i> . Also recorded as ége . Cf. òbùgò
éke	black rat	<i>Rattus rattus</i> . Also recorded as eke
(ekerebùpele)	bushbuck	<i>Tragelaphus scriptus</i>
ékidi	lorisid spp.	potto, <i>Perodicticus potto</i> ; Calabar angwantibo, <i>Arctocebus calabarensis</i>
émein	manatee	<i>Trichechus senegalensis</i>
epu	pangolin spp.	long-tailed pangolin (black-bellied pangolin), <i>Uromanis tetradactyla</i> , tree pangolin (white-bellied pangolin), <i>Phataginus tricuspis</i>
èbèin	pygmy hippopotamus	<i>Hexaprotodon liberiensis</i> (Nigerian pygmy hippopotamus, <i>H. l. heslopi</i>)
gbeguru	red-legged sun squirrel	<i>Heliosciurus rufobrachium</i>
ikpù-pele	savannah cane-rat (greater cane-rat)	<i>Thryonomys swinderianus</i> . Lit. 'sugarcane-cutter'
ìmbì	red river hog	<i>Potamochoerus porcus</i> . Cf. akatulúte ìmbì
ìsù	giant-pouched rat (giant rat) spp.	Gambian giant-pouched rat (Gambian giant rat), <i>Cricetomys gambianus</i> , Emin's giant-pouched rat (Emin's giant rat), <i>C. emini</i> . Also identified as the Nigerian white-toothed shrew, <i>Crocodyra nigeriae</i> . Cf. turù-éke
kesi-òbùgò	mona monkey	<i>Cercopithecus mona</i> . Lit. 'true monkey'. Cf. òbùgò
keké-òbùgò	Sclater's monkey (Sclater's guenon)	<i>Cercopithecus sclateri</i> . Cf. òbùgò
kekuru	rope squirrel (tree squirrel) spp.	Thomas's rope squirrel (redless tree squirrel), <i>Funisciurus anerythrus</i> , red-cheeked rope squirrel (orange-head tree squirrel), <i>F. leucogenys</i> , fire-footed rope squirrel (fire-foot tree squirrel), <i>F. pyrropus</i> . Also recorded as kekuru
kewá	mongoose spp.	marsh mongoose, <i>Atilax paludinosus</i> , and long-snouted mongoose (long-nosed mongoose), <i>Herpestes naso</i>
kuró-nama	leopard, 'tiger'	<i>Panthera pardus</i> . Lit. 'strong animal'. Cf. sírì
kpáko¹	red-capped mangabey	<i>Cercocebus torquatus</i>
ofoni-ama-ama	Lord Derby's anomalure (Derby's flying squirrel)	<i>Anomalurus derbianus</i>
ofoni-ama-na-nama-na-ama-tengi	Beecroft's anomalure (Beecroft's flying squirrel)	<i>Anomalurus beecrofti</i> . Lit. 'bird of the man of the village' [?]
ogodo	black-fronted duiker	<i>Cephalophus nigrifrons</i>

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ogurú	yellow-backed duiker	<i>Cephalophus silvicultor</i>
okpóko-lodudū	cusimanse	<i>Crossarchus obscurus</i>
orupogí	small bat sp.	family Chiroptera
otohá	hippopotamus	<i>Hippopotamus amphibius</i>
oḅugó	colobid and cercopithecine monkey spp.	Cf. akan-oḅugó, ege-oḅugó, kesi-oḅugó, keké-oḅugó,
oḳeḳeḳe gbeguru	African giant squirrel (giant forest tree squirrel)	<i>Protoxerus stangeri</i> . Also recorded as okeleke
oḳoḷoḳopogí	a big bat which cries throughout the night	family Chiroptera
oḳú	African buffalo, 'bush-cow'	<i>Syncerus caffer</i>
oḷoḷoḷo	African civet	<i>Civettictis civetta</i>
oḡworoḡósó	brush-tailed porcupine	<i>Atherurus africanus</i>
peipeineḡi, peipeineḡi	whale	order Cetacea
piri-eke	pygmy mouse	<i>Mus minutoides</i>
pogí ²	bat spp.	family Chiroptera
punú	genet spp.	blotched genet (large-spot genet), <i>Genetta tigrina pardina</i> , and servaline genet (crested genet), <i>Genetta servalina cristata</i>
sírí	leopard, 'tiger'	<i>Panthera pardus</i> . < Kalabari. Cf. kuḡo-nama
tele	chimpanzee, 'gorilla'	<i>Pan troglodytes</i> (probably West African chimpanzee, <i>P. t. verus</i>)
teu	otter spp.	African clawless otter (Cape clawless otter), <i>Aonyx capensis</i> , and spot-necked otter, <i>Lutra maculicollis</i>
teḡde-ḡila-neḡi	galago spp.	Allen's squirrel galago (Allen's galago), <i>Galago alleni</i> , and Demidoff's galago (dwarf galago), <i>Galagoides demidoff</i>
tomi	African palm civet (two-spot palm civet)	<i>Nandinia binotata</i> . Also recorded as otome, tomí
tuḡará	sitatunga	<i>Tragelaphus spekei</i>
turu-éke	Nigerian white-toothed shrew	<i>Crocidura nigeriae</i> . Also recorded as turu-éke . Cf. isu
wan	Maxwell's duiker	<i>Cephalophus maxwelli</i>

Unidentified animals

gbelé¹ small animal which drinks wine
ogugú animal with very thick hide
nu animal sp. ???

obirí-aka canine tooth
kón trunk of elephant
ḡila-óḡu elephant tusk