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Hi to Everyone,

The busy photography season is upon all of us. I just returned from a great bird safari in Texas that I hope some of you will consider for next year. It will be part of a bigger set of safaris that will come back-to-back, giving folks that come from a long distance more to shoot than just this single 3-day safari - you can participate in any single safari, or a combination of safaris in Arizona and Texas. There will be more information about this down the road. I'm going to do the same with some of the bobcat safaris this coming winter season - adding Coast Wildlife safaris so there are more options.

Texas was awesome, so I hope you enjoy the photos in the gallery section of this newsletter. While I normally drive to Texas, this time I flew - and everything went very smooth and easy. The Painted Buntings and Scissor-tailed Flycatchers didn't disappoint.

Two current safaris that I want to mention are the upcoming Black Fox Safari to San Juan Island, WA next week ([LINK](#)) and the Yellowstone Spring Wildlife Safari at the end of May ([LINK](#)). The black fox safari has a single opening in my truck, if you travel with me, with a large discount coming to the person who signs up for it. The same is true with the upcoming Yellowstone Spring Safari, I have an opening in my truck, if you travel with me, with a large discount. Contact me quickly if you are interested in either.

This is probably the last email newsletter I do via Mailchimp. I've already transferred my audience list and other info to the new software program, so if you feel like you have missed a newsletter down the road, check your junk folder. There are always changes coming somewhere, and software changes are the easiest to deal with. From May 2024 to May-June 2025 all my usual safaris will go forward, but after June 2025 I'm going to start

cutting back the number of photo safaris that I do - moving from doing 120-130 safari days per year to about 100.

Also in the gallery of recent images are more from the Great Horned Owl Safari a few weeks ago as well as the recently completed Island Fox Safari to Santa Cruz Island. So I hope you enjoy taking a look at them. **BRP**

Make no small plans, they have no magic to stir men's souls.
Spencer W. Kimball

Scissor-tailed Flycatcher - Texas Spring Bird Safari

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All the currently scheduled upcoming 2024-2025 Photo Safaris and Workshops are shown on the Safari Page on my website. That is the most accurate location to view these events. Here is a [LINK](#) to that page. Below are links to the individual safaris for the next several months. New safaris are added every few weeks. Upcoming ZOOM Shows are here - [LINK](#).

2024 Safari Schedule

May 1-3 San Juan Island Black Fox Safari ([LINK](#)) **1 Opening**
May 20 Peregrine Falcon Safari ([LINK](#))
May 23 Black Bear Safari ([LINK](#))
May 29-June 5 Yellowstone Spring Wildlife Safari ([LINK](#)) **2 Openings**

June 11 Mineral King (if Open)
June 13 Black Bear Safari ([LINK](#))
June 24 Peregrine Falcon Safari ([LINK](#))

June 25-26 Black Bear and Songbirds in Sequoia Safari ([LINK](#))

July 2 Black Bear Safari ([LINK](#))

July 9-10 Black Bear/Songbirds/Wildflowers - Sequoia Safari ([LINK](#))

July 16 Mineral King (Sequoia NP) Safari (if Open)

August 6 Black Bear Safari ([LINK](#))

August 13-16 Mt. Evan's Goats and Rocky Mtn Wildlife ([LINK](#))

September 9-13 Glacier National Park ([LINK](#))

September 23-28 Yellowstone-Tetons Fall Wildlife Safari ([LINK](#))

September 30-Oct 3 San Juan Mtns Autumn (Colorado) Safari ([LINK](#))

October 8-9 Bobcat Safari ([LINK](#))

October 29-30 Bobcat Safari ([LINK](#))

November 4-5 Bobcat Safari ([LINK](#))

November 7-10 Southern Utah Landscape Safari ([LINK](#))

November 21 Southern California Bird Safari ([LINK](#))

November 28-29 Bobcat Safari ([LINK](#))

December 3-4 Bobcat Safari ([LINK](#))

December 12-14 Bosque del Apache Bird Safari ([LINK](#))

December 16-19 Texas Wildlife Safari ([LINK](#))

December 30 Bobcat Safari ([LINK](#))

December 31 California Coast Wildlife Safari ([LINK](#))

January 2-3 Monterey-Big Sur Landscape Safari ([LINK](#))

January 6 Northern Pygmy Owl Safari ([LINK](#))

February 4-11 Yellowstone-Tetons Winter Wildlife Safari ([LINK](#))

February 12 Utah Raptor Safari ([LINK](#))

Recent Safari Images (from the last Two Weeks)

On the previous safari I only saw four young in the Great Horned Owl nest, but as you can tell from the bottom left youngster - there is now 5, though I imagine they have branched and left the nest by now, still being fed by mom and dad. Dad is in the rocks in the second image down. Lots of desert wildflowers, though the poppies never really came this year to Antelope Valley - I guess the rain and sun came at the wrong time for a good bloom.



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5 Great Horned Nestlings with Mom | Great Horned Owl Safari amwestphoto.com



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Great Horned Owl | Great Horned Owl Safari amwestphoto.com



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Brown-eyed Primrose | Great Horned Owl Safari
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Lacy Phacelia | Great Horned Owl Safari
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While we shot a number of Santa Cruz Island Gray Foxes, they were pruning trees and grinding the branches in the camping areas where we normally find the foxes - so we found fewer of them this year due to that activity. But as you can see, we did find this mated pair of foxes later in the afternoon - which is why going in the spring leads to some great images.



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Island Foxes grooming | Santa Cruz Island Fox Safari amwestphoto.com



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A mated pair of Foxes grooming | Santa Cruz Island Fox Safari amwestphoto.com



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 A mated pair of Foxes drinking | Santa Cruz Island Fox Safari amwestphoto.com



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 Fox perusing a backpack - Santa Cruz Island Fox Safari amwestphoto.com

I went to Texas last week specifically to photograph the male Painted Buntings and the Scissor-tailed Flycatchers, and it did not disappoint. Over two days I probably crossed paths with 100 buntings and a dozen or two flycatchers - as well as shooting several other birds for the first time - the Olive Sparrow and the Orchard Oriole. The usual subjects were around as well - Harris Hawks, Northern Cardinals, Ash-throated Flycatchers, Audubon's Orioles, among others.



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Painted Bunting | Texas Spring Bird Safari amwestphoto.com



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Male Scissor-tailed Flycatcher - Texas Spring Bird Safari amwestphoto.com



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Northern Cardinal | Texas Spring Bird Safari amwestphoto.com



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Mexican Thirteen-lined Squirrel - Texas Spring Bird Safari amwestphoto.com



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Northern Cardinal | Texas Spring Bird Safari amwestphoto.com

Last Call Notes:

Those Texas images were shot in just a day and a half, 11 images from the 13,000 I took. Amazing.

I'm looking forward to the Colorado San Juan's Autumn Safari ([LINK](#)) this year, there are still a couple of openings for this October Safari. I think what draws me to the San Juan Mountains is not just the color, but the scale and majesty of the mountains, mixed with the western mining culture that thrived in this area in the 19th century. Another safari that I didn't do last year but am doing this year is the Southern Utah Landscape Safari ([LINK](#)).

The black bear safaris to Sequoia National Park ([LINK](#)) are up through mid-July, I will add others soon.

My Nikon D850 is still for sale at \$800, with used Nikon 850 cameras going online for about \$1300 right now. It was recently serviced by Nikon.

Kind Regards,



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