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Experienced birders are more than happy to help beginners and novices on these outings. If you have a transport problem or would like to share transport please contact a committee member. Depending on the availability of speakers and suitable material we present occasional lecture or video evenings at the Namibia Scientific Society premises. Members receive the bird club's journal, Lanioturdus outings and events are advertised on the club's website and www.namibiabirdclub.org.

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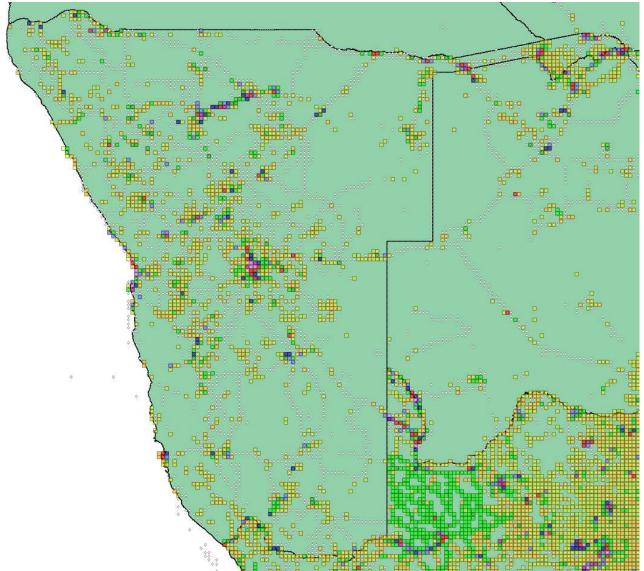
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Coverage map of Namibia; White dots represent ad hoc records, coloured squares full protocol cards – the colour indicates the number of times a pentad has been atlased.