

# Antelope

Photograph a 1m x 1m antelope at 100m

$$\text{Required exposure} = .2 \text{ lm sec/m}^2 = .2 \text{ lux-s}$$

Exposure time  $\leq$  .2 sec on a sunny day

The frame size is 24 x 36 mm. Putting the 1m dimension onto the 24 mm dimension requires a magnification:

$$m = -24\text{mm} / 1\text{m} = S_2 / S_1$$

$$S_1 = 100\text{m}$$

$$S_2 = 2400\text{mm} = 2.4\text{m}$$

$$\frac{1}{S_2} = \frac{1}{S_1} + \frac{1}{f} \quad f = 2345\text{mm}$$

Lets use a slightly shorter focal length and pick 2000 mm as being "commercially available."

$$f = 2000\text{mm}$$

$$S_2 = 2041\text{mm}$$

$$m = \frac{S_2}{S_1} = -.0204$$

and the antelope will be 20.4 mm high on the film

On a sunny day, the scene illuminance is about

$$E_v = 1.2 \times 10^5 \text{ lx} \quad (\text{lm/m}^2)$$

With a scene reflectivity of  $\rho$ , the luminous exitance is

$$M_v = \rho E_v$$

and a lambertian reflector will produce a luminance

$$L_v = \rho E_v / \pi = \rho \cdot 3.82 \times 10^4 \text{ lm/m}^2 \text{ sr} \quad (\text{nit})$$

Now assume the "normal" scene and  $\rho = .18$

$$L_v = 6875 \text{ nit} \quad * \quad (\text{lm/m}^2 \text{ sr})$$

The required exposure is .2 lux-s, or .02 sec.

The image illuminance must therefore be

$$E'_v \geq (.2 \text{ lm sec/m}^2) / (.02 \text{ sec})$$

$$E'_v \geq 10 \text{ lm/m}^2 = 10 \text{ lx}$$

\* The unit nit or nt equals a  $\text{lm/m}^2 \text{ sr}$

Using the camera equation:

$$E_v' = \frac{\pi L_v}{4 (f/\#)^2 (1-m)^2}$$

$$(f/\#)^2 = \frac{\pi L_v}{4 E_v' (1-m)^2}$$

$$(f/\#)^2 < 519$$

$$\boxed{f/\# < 22.78}$$

$$L_v = 6875 \text{ nt} \\ (\text{lm/m}^2 \text{sr})$$

$$E_v' > 10 \text{ lx} \\ (\text{lm/m}^2)$$

$$m = 0.2$$

We therefore need an  $f/22$  2000 m lens.

- This is a 90+ mm diameter lens aperture.