



# LEAVING A GIFT TO THE SHELDRICK WILDLIFE TRUST IN YOUR WILL

If you are thinking about including a gift to the Sheldrick Wildlife Trust in your Will, please know how deeply appreciative we are of your consideration.

Leaving a legacy to Kenya's wildlife is one of the most meaningful ways to support our work, with gifts in Wills having a truly transformative impact on our projects and on the lives of individual animals, helping us to not only offer immediate relief to wildlife in need, but to implement long-term, sustainable solutions to safeguard their future.

If you have already made a Will and want to make a small update, such as adding a gift to the Sheldrick Wildlife Trust, you can do this without rewriting the whole thing. Instead you can amend your Will with a document called a Codicil.

# **OUR OFFICIAL DETAILS**

While the charity is known today as Sheldrick Wildlife Trust, our legal name remains **The David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust**. Should you wish to include a gift to us in your Will, please use the following details to ensure that the charity can be correctly identified by your executor in the future:

**REGISTERED NAME:** The David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust

REGISTERED ADDRESS: 1 Oak Place, Rosier Business Park, Coneyhurst Road, Billingshurst,

RH14 9DE, United Kingdom

**CHARITY NUMBER:** 1103836 (England & Wales)

## TYPES OF GIFT

Every gift, large or small, makes a tremendous difference to our conservation work. If you decide to leave a legacy in your Will, you will first need to decide on the type of gift.

#### **RESIDUAL**

This is a percentage or share of your estate, or the whole of the remainder of your estate, once your other wishes and expenses have been met.

#### **PECUNIARY GIFT**

This is a specified sum of money that is fixed within your Will. (You might ask your solicitor to make it index-linked so it holds its value as the years go by.)

#### **SPECIFIC GIFT**

This is the gift of a particular item in your Will, such as a property, a painting, or shares, or other specific item, to be sold with the proceeds released to the named beneficiary.

# **WORDING YOUR LEGACY**

When it comes to wording your Will, we recommend that your instruct a solicitor to help ensure your wishes are laid out exactly as you intend. However, we have taken the opportunity below to provide some suggested wording for the different types of gift.

#### **RESIDUAL GIFT**

"I give the whole (or [ ]%) of my residuary estate to The David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust of I Oak Place, Rosier Business Park, Coneyhurst Road, Billingshurst, RHI4 9DE (Charity II03836, England & Wales) for its general charitable purposes and the receipt of the proper officer of The David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust shall be a full and sufficient discharge for the said legacy."

#### **PECUNIARY GIFT**

"I give the sum of £[] to The David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust of I Oak Place, Rosier Business Park, Coneyhurst Road, Billingshurst, RHI4 9DE (Charity II03836, England & Wales) for its general charitable purposes and the receipt of the proper officer of The David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust shall be a full and sufficient discharge for the said legacy."

#### **SPECIFIC GIFT**

"I give all my share and interest in [ITEM] absolutely to The David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust of I Oak Place, Rosier Business Park, Coneyhurst Road, Billingshurst, RHI4 9DE (Charity II03836, England & Wales) for its general charitable purposes and the receipt of the proper officer of The David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust shall be a full and sufficient discharge for the said legacy."

# JARGON EXPLAINED

Some legal terms regularly appear in the Will-writing process. Here are some of the common ones you may come across.

#### **ASSETS**

These are things you own that are worth money, such as your house, your savings or shares. They could also be smaller valuable items, such as jewellery or art.

#### **INTESTATE**

The condition of an estate when a person dies without having made a Will. There are strict rules on who inherits your estate when no valid Will has been made, which may not be in accordance with your wishes.

#### **BENEFICIARY**

This is the person or institution (such as a charity) who receives a gift from a Will.

#### **LEGACY**

This is a gift of assets (such as money or property) in a Will.

#### CODICIL

A supplementary document which acts as an amendment to your Will, instead of rewriting it. A codicil must be signed and witnessed in the same way as a Will.

#### **PROBATE**

This is the legal process of dealing with the estate of someone who has died, where their debts are cleared and the remaining assets are distributed according to the wishes in their Will.

#### **ESTATE**

This is the total value of everything you own at the time of your death, less any outstanding debts and liabilities.

#### **RESIDUE**

The remainder of an estate after all debts, taxes, funeral expenses, and specific and pecuniary gifts have been paid.

#### **EXECUTOR**

The person/s named in your Will who are responsible for ensuring that your wishes are carried out in full and that your Estate is administered properly. This is can be a friend or family member, or can be a solicitor.

#### **TESTATOR**

The person who makes a Will.





# SUPPORT OUR MISSION

The Sheldrick Wildlife Trust embraces all measures that complement the conservation, preservation and protection of wildlife and habitats.

We are one of East Africa's oldest and pioneering conservation organisations and have worked for the protection and conservation of wildlife and wild habitats in Kenya for over 40 years. Protecting elephants are at the heart of what we do, operating the most successful orphan elephant rescue and rehabilitation program in the world. But we also do much more than this. We work at a field level with local partners in areas where wildlife and ecosystems face existential threats from poaching, habitat loss and human-wildlife conflict to give hope to Africa's wild animals and habitats and secure a safe and bright future for both wildlife and humans.

# **OUR APPROACH TO CONSERVATION**

The Trust takes a 360-degree approach to conservation, operating nine programs that work in tandem across the country, in partnership with the Kenya Wildlife Service, local NGOs and communities:



**ORPHANS' PROJECT**Rescue, raise and reintegrate orphaned wild animals.



**ANTI-POACHING TEAMS**Patrols to thwart all manner of threats to wildlife.



COMMUNITY OUTREACH
Change attitudes towards
wildlife one individual at a time.



**VETERINARY INITIATIVE**Administer rapid emergency treatment to wild animals.



**AERIAL SURVEILLANCE**Monitor wildlife and provide support to ground teams.



**SAVING HABITATS**Safeguard wild spaces and preserve biodiversity.

## **OUR HISTORY**

Born from one family's passion for Kenya and its wilderness, The David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust was established in 1977, by Dr. Dame Daphne Sheldrick, in memory of her late husband, conservationist David Sheldrick. As the first warden of Tsavo East National Park, David Sheldrick charted a new course for conservation in Kenya, securing wilderness areas, studying flora and fauna, and combating poaching and other threats to wildlife.

Dame Daphne's involvement with wildlife spanned a lifetime and she was a recognised international authority on elephants and the rearing of wild creatures. Daphne was the first person to perfect the milk formula and husbandry needed to successfully raise infant milk-dependent elephants and rhinos. In April 2018, Daphne passed away after a battle with breast cancer.

Angela Sheldrick, daughter of David and Daphne, has headed the Sheldrick Wildlife Trust in Kenya since 2001. Brought up in the wilds of Tsavo, Angela has been exposed to Kenya's wildlife and wild places all her life and has overseen the establishment of the organisation's adoption program and field team expansion.

# ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN THE FIELD

SWT UK contribute to crucial aspects of the Sheldrick Wildlife Trust's conservation work in Kenya. These are just a few highlights of the impact donations have had in the field to date.



320

ORPHANED ELEPHANTS SUCCESSFULLY RAISED



60

KNOWN CALVES BORN TO ORPHANS LIVING WILD



201,104+

SNARES REMOVED, SAVING COUNTLESS WILD LIVES



27

ANTI-POACHING TEAMS OPERATED BY THE SWT IN WILDLIFE AREAS



11,529

CASES ATTENDED BY SWT/KWS VETERINARY INITIATIVE



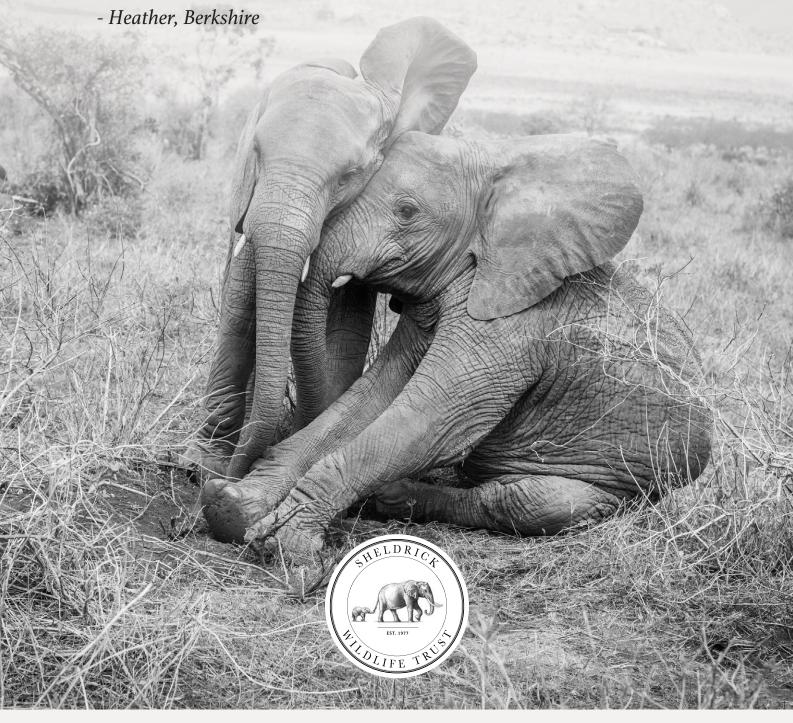
450km+

FENCELINES ERECTED TO MITIGATE HABITAT LOSS AND CONFLICT

#### **CONTACT US:**

We understand that leaving a gift in your Will is a decision you will want to think about very carefully. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch on 01372 378 321 or email us at **infouk@sheldrickwildlifetrust.org**.

Having fostered orphan elephants for so many years, I consider them to be a part of my family — and families look after each other. That's why, when writing my Will, I decided to leave a gift to the Sheldrick Wildlife Trust, so that I can continue to provide for the elephants I love and help protect the places they will call home, even long after I'm gone.



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