Within your lifetime you have the power to make a wonderful difference by leaving a lasting legacy

**Writing a will is important.** You can use your will to ensure that what is important to you during your lifetime is protected forever. So, if your dream is to save some of the last wild places left on Earth for future generations to enjoy then WLT can ensure your wishes become a reality.

**In Memory Giving**

Please consider a gift to commemorate the life of someone who was passionate about the natural world. Donations made in memory can support any of WLT’s conservation projects across the world.

**Plant a Tree - a living memorial**

Instead of flowers commemorate a loved one by planting trees in their memory through WLT’s Plant a Tree programme. Your dedicated trees will flourish in reserves and will protect habitat for wildlife.

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**A message from Sir David Attenborough**

“The fate of the creatures which share our planet lies entirely at the hand of mankind - it is within our power to protect them or watch them become extinct. Let us choose the first route. In terms of saving ecosystems for wildlife I know of no better charity to support than World Land Trust.”

Sir David Attenborough, OM CH FRS. Patron, World Land Trust

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**Demand by humans on the world’s natural resources has never been greater, and the world’s remaining pristine and fragile wildernesses are struggling to survive. You can give a gift to the future of this wild world by remembering World Land Trust in your will, enabling us to protect threatened habitats worldwide.**

For further information about legacies, wills and in-memoriam gifts please visit www.worldlandtrust.org

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Legacies: a lifeline for wildlife

For 25 years World Land Trust (WLT) has worked with overseas conservation partner organisations to purchase and forever protect threatened land. So far 500,000 acres of rainforest and other vital habitats have been saved. By leaving a legacy to WLT you will help ensure the long-term protection of ‘Real acres in Real places’.

Gifts in wills provide almost £2 billion annually for UK charities. Whilst this may seem a lot of money and although 74 per cent of people in Britain support a charity during their lifetime, at the present time only 7 per cent do so within their will.

I’ve remembered World Land Trust in my will. Will you?

RSPB and National Trust membership tells us that over two million people in Britain care for our heritage and our wildlife. I suspect many do worldwide. If each left just £1,000 - not so much these days - in their will to conservation how much more could we do? I rest my case. I have left a legacy to four conservation organisations, including the World Land Trust, of which I am proud to be a council member.

Richard Porter, Norfolk

A Living Legacy

Kites Hill Reserve was given to WLT as a gift by supporter Jane Pointer, who enjoys seeing her Cotswolds meadows and woodland managed for conservation. Alongside preservation of the ancient beech woodland SSSI, WLT has planting native trees and created a large wildlife pond. The cattle pastures at Kites Hill are now managed to organic standards.

“Leaving a living legacy to WLT has given me the opportunity to take an active interest in the conservation of Kites Hill as a nature reserve. It has granted me the peace of mind that my land will continue to provide a safe haven for all its wildlife and will be protected forever.”

Jane Pointer, Gloucestershire

What legacies have enabled WLT achieve

Gifts in wills have made significant contributions to WLT’s mission to purchase and protect land of high biodiversity value.

The ‘Sid Templer Reserve’ - the cornerstone of protection in the Chaco Pantanal of Paraguay

The ‘Sid Templer Reserve’ protecting 8,650 acres/3,600 hectares in the Chaco-Pantanal of Paraguay was made possible through a legacy gift from the estate of Sid Templer, a Suffolk businessman. WLT was able to use this legacy to work with GuiRA Paraguay to purchase the first strategically important parcel of land to create a much bigger reserve. Now safeguarding almost 35,000 acres along the banks of the Rio Negra, the Chaco Pantanal reserve is a safe haven for many endemic and endangered animals including Giant Otter, Giant Anteater and Giant Armadillo as well as Ocelot, Jaguar and Puma. It is also an important stop-over for thousands of migrating birds in the southern hemisphere.

“Sid Templer’s legacy has been a milestone in our history.”

Alberto Yanosky, GIYRA Paraguay’s Executive Director

Christopher Parsons Rainforest Reserve

Gifts in memory of Christopher Parsons OBE, producer of Life on Earth & former Head of the BBC Natural History Unit, enabled WLT to save threatened tropical forest in Ecuador. Now a sector of Fundación Jocotoco’s flagship reserve: Tapichalaca, the Christopher Parsons Rainforest Reserve protects species such as Spectacled Bear, Ocelot and Jaguar, as well as an astonishing variety of birds and orchids. A river running through the southern border of the reserve was found to be unnamed, and this was subsequently registered as the Quebrada (river) Christopher Parsons. It is one of the most westerly tributaries of the River Amazon system. A permanent commemoration for a wonderful man.

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