

protect  
the wild  
world  
with a lasting  
legacy



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# Your legacy

**Demand by humans on the world's natural resources has never been greater and the world's remaining pristine and fragile wilderness is struggling to survive.**

By leaving a legacy to World Land Trust you will be helping protect threatened habitat into the future.

## What we have protected

Established since 1989, World Land Trust works with overseas conservation partners to purchase and forever protect threatened wildlife habitat. So far we have saved 500,000 acres of rainforest and other vital habitats and helped protect a further 2.5 million acres in countries across the world from Central and South America, India and Armenia to Borneo, Africa and Vietnam.

## Make a difference

If you would like to help World Land Trust save some of the last wild places left on Earth for future generations, please consider leaving us a gift in your Will to ensure that what is important to you during your lifetime is protected forever.

[www.worldlandtrust.org](http://www.worldlandtrust.org)

# How your legacy will help

With biodiversity being lost at around 1,000 times the natural rate and pressures on habitat escalating due to hunting, climate change, mining and countless other threats, gifts in Wills have never been more vital.

## £10,000

could fund a Keeper of the Wild for two years. To ensure on-going protection for reserves and protected areas, World Land Trust raises funds to support reserve rangers. Rangers are respected members of the local community and instead of hunting to feed their family, they are able to look after their families in a more sustainable and reliable way.

## £25,000

could fund the planting of 5,000 trees. When World Land Trust helps a partner organisation to create a protected nature reserve, it is sometimes necessary to use tree planting to restore forests lost prior to purchase or to reconnect areas of forest habitat.

## £50,000

could purchase 500 acres of threatened habitats in South America. By buying land, World Land Trust creates new reserves or extends existing ones to provide safe havens for some of Earth's most vulnerable wildlife.

# Guide to Wills & Legacies

**Making or updating a Will is a serious responsibility, though it is far less complicated than you might think. We have produced a simple guide which aims to answer some of the questions you might have.**

To receive your free copy, please complete and return this form using our FREEPOST address.

- Please send me a copy of World Land Trust's guide to Wills & Legacies
- I would like to talk to a World Land Trust staff member and my telephone number is \_\_\_\_\_

## Let us **know**

We recognise and respect the fact that the contents of your Will are private; however, it would help us greatly if you could let us know your intentions. Please be assured that no statement about leaving a legacy can be legally binding and that a Will can be changed at any time. Thank you so much for your help.

- I have already included World Land Trust in my Will
- I intend to include World Land Trust in my Will

Title (Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss/Other) \_\_\_\_\_

First Name \_\_\_\_\_

Surname \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return this form to:**

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# Types of legacy

There are three types of legacy you can leave us once you have provided for your family and friends. A gift in your Will to a registered charity is exempt from inheritance tax and is deducted from the value of your estate before taxation.

## A share in your estate (residuary)

A residuary legacy is a percentage or remainder of your estate once all other gifts and expenses have been deducted. This is the most beneficial legacy because it is not affected by inflation and does not decrease over time.

## A sum of money (pecuniary)

This is a specific sum. We advise speaking to your solicitor about protecting the value of your gift by directly linking it to the cost of living, so that it doesn't reduce over time.

## A specific item

You may wish to bequeath a non-cash gift such as property, stocks and shares or a personal item of value.

# What legacies have achieved

**Gifts in Wills have made significant contributions to World Land Trust's mission to purchase and protect land of high biodiversity value.**

Legacies have allowed us to purchase the first strategically important parcel of land to create a much bigger reserve in the Chaco-Pantanal of Paraguay. Now safeguarding 35,000 acres, the reserve is a safe haven for endemic and endangered animals including Giant Otter, Giant Anteater, Giant Armadillo as well as Ocelot, Jaguar and Puma.

Bequests have allowed us to save threatened tropical forest in Ecuador protecting species such as Spectacled Bear, Ocelot and Jaguar as well as an astonishing variety of birds and orchids.

In the UK, a living legacy has enabled us to manage Cotswolds meadows and woodland for conservation by preserving ancient beech woodland, planting native trees, creating a large wildlife pond and managing cattle pastures to organic standards.

Within your lifetime you have the power to make a difference to the wild world. Every legacy we receive, whether large or small, will help safeguard the world's remaining wilderness areas in perpetuity.



“The fate of the creatures which share out 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 CBE FRS, Patron of World Land Trust

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