

BEQUEST: Leaving a Legacy

The WILDTRUST (registered as the Wildlands Conservation Trust – IT No: 4329/1991/PMB) is a South African Non-Profit, Non-Government, and Public Welfare Organisation which works at the interface of conservation and human development. Originally established in 1989 as the Natal Conservation Trust, it amalgamated with the Wildlands Trust (founded 1990) in 2004. From humble roots in the KwaZulu-Natal Province the Trust has expanded its footprint across southern Africa, with projects as far afield as Mozambique and the Comoros.

In 2020 the Trust adopted a new unifying vision to guide - our WILDLANDS and WILOCEANS work, drawing on specialists in terrestrial and marine conservation and development. Working towards a 'Thriving and Resilient World' the Trust continues to explore innovative conservation and development pathways that underline the interconnectedness between people and planet.

If you believe in our vision as much as we do, then what better way to contribute than with a bequest?

By making a bequest and other "planned gifts," you can continue to help us make a sustainable difference and touch the lives of thousands in over 46 communities where WILDTRUST work, even beyond your lifetime. It will ensure that essential resources are in place to help us plan and secure future activities with confidence. You may give us anything you like, every bit counts, and we promise to put your funds to good use.

A bequest is simply a distribution from your estate to WILDTRUST through your last will and testament. We can make arranging your legacy easy and flexible.

Bequests to charities can be in two forms.

1. The residue of the estate of the benefactor - The residue would be the net amount left in the estate after specific bequests have been made to family, friends, other charities, etc.
2. The bequest can be specific i.e. not form part of the residue and be the same as a bequest to a family etc. The specific bequest can, as you say, be in the form of cash or kind.

How do I make a bequest? Types of Bequests:

1. New Will
2. Existing Will /Codicil

New Will

We will help you draft a "Basic Will" in partnership with J Leslie Smith & Co Attorneys.

When drafting your will, we recommend using the following wording:

- I bequeath to the **WILDTRUST** No IT..... the sum of Rx, or

- I bequeath to the **WILDTRUST** No IT.....my immovable property described as: "....."

Existing Will

If you already have an existing will it is easy to add a section called a **CODICIL** which names the **WILDTRUST** as a beneficiary.

When adding a codicil, we recommend the following wording:

- This is the Codicil of me, (full name).....to my Last Will and Testament
Dated at
- I bequeath to the WILDTRUST *NPO number: 004-949, PBO number: 130001485*, the sum of RX

In all other respects I confirm the provisions of my aforesaid Last Will and Testament.

Dated at

Signed by the Testator, the said (full name)..... as and for his last Will and Testament, in the presence of us (witnesses full names) and in the presence of
each other, all being present together at the same time at (place)....., having hereunto () subscribed our names as witnesses.

Once you have finalised your bequest please inform us that you have benefited the WILDTRUST in your will by sending a copy to info@wildtrust.co.za