



GIVING
THE
GIFT OF
FREEDOM





At International Animal Rescue we recognise the huge difference that a legacy can make. In fact, we owe our very existence to a legacy we received in 1988. With this gift we were able to begin our work rescuing animals from suffering around the world and we are so proud of all that we have achieved so far. It was that first legacy that enabled us to cut free 600 dancing bears from the streets of India and finally put an end to the cruel tradition; it allowed us to set up our primate rescue and rehabilitation projects and gave us the means to rescue and care for so many animals in need. We have achieved so much thanks to that initial gift and the kindness and generosity of our supporters in the years that followed. However, we know that more challenges lie ahead and that there are many more animals suffering and in desperate need of our attention and care. If you choose to remember International Animal Rescue in your Will you will be leaving a lasting legacy and becoming part of something incredible, part of an end to animal suffering, part of the solution.



A handwritten signature of Alan Knight in black ink.

ABOUT US



Our vision is a world where humans and animals coexist in sustainable ecosystems. Our mission is to build awareness and implement effective systems such that habitats and animals are protected.

At International Animal Rescue we not only save animals from suffering, we also rehabilitate and release them back into the wild and work to protect their precious natural habitats. Our work includes cutting free and caring for captive bears in India and Armenia, rescuing and rehabilitating orangutans and other primates in Indonesia and treating injured and orphaned howler monkeys in Costa Rica. Our aim is to return animals to their natural environment wherever possible, but we also provide a permanent home for those that can no longer fend for themselves.

"International Animal Rescue is having a real impact on the welfare of animals around the world. Its teams in the field are passionate, dedicated and determined and their work is inspiring. We've chosen to leave IAR a gift in our Will because we know we can trust the charity to put it to good use wherever it is needed most."

–Jacqui and Mark Atkinson, IAR supporters.

By leaving a gift to International Animal rescue in your Will, you will be giving the greatest gift of all, the gift of freedom.

LEAVING THE GIFT OF FREEDOM FOR BEARS

The ancient tradition of dancing bears in India has caused terrible suffering to thousands of sloth bears. This cruel practice was made illegal in 1972 but in the decades that followed bears were still poached, beaten and mutilated to force them to dance.

In Armenia, wild brown bears are illegally caught by poachers and many of them end up in small, squalid cages in restaurants and other public entertainment venues as a tourist attraction. Most of the bears are mentally and physically damaged by the boredom and frustration of their miserable existence behind bars.



LEAVING THE GIFT OF FREEDOM FOR PRIMATES

Widespread destruction of the rainforest and the illegal trade in primates in Indonesia inflicts terrible suffering on wildlife. It also poses the threat of extinction to endangered species. Our team in Indonesia specialises in rescuing and rehabilitating orangutans, macaques and slow lorises and releasing them back into protected areas in the wild.

Every year in Costa Rica, hundreds of howler monkeys and other wild animals are electrocuted on uninsulated power lines and transformers. Sadly, the monkeys don't know the difference between electrical wires and natural vines and will often travel across wires to get to feeding grounds as they have no choice due to deforestation. Most of the howler monkeys that survive electrical burns are infants that were clinging to their mothers when they were electrocuted.





SLOTH BEAR RESCUE

In 2009 International Animal Rescue and our coalition partners put an end to the barbaric practice of dancing bears in India. The rescued bears now live contentedly in our sanctuaries in India. We have pledged to meet the considerable costs of lifelong care for the bears and also fund undercover investigations to crackdown on bear cub poaching. Since the rescue of the last dancing bear in India, our investigations have shown that some bears are being smuggled into Nepal and continue to suffer cruelty and abuse. We will continue to track down the smugglers and cut these bears free. We will not stop until this cruelty ends.



BROWN BEAR RESCUE

In 2017 we worked with local animal welfare group, FPWC, to begin rescuing the abused and neglected brown bears from across Armenia. Our campaign, The Great Bear Rescue, aims eventually to free them all from their suffering and, after thorough veterinary checks and assessment, rehabilitate and eventually release those that are physically and mentally equipped to fend for themselves in the wild. Those that are not viable for release will be given a permanent home in sanctuaries where they will be cared for, well fed and have the freedom to express natural bear behaviour.



ORANGUTAN RESCUE

The plight of the orangutan in Indonesia has reached a critical stage, with the survival of the species under serious threat. Animals are suffering and dying because of the systematic destruction of the rainforest, primarily for palm oil production, particularly in Kalimantan, the Indonesian part of the island of Borneo.

International Animal Rescue's team is working in West Kalimantan to rescue and care for baby orangutans that have been taken from their mothers to be illegally sold as pets and adults that have spent their entire lives in captivity, chained up or imprisoned in tiny cages. Our Orangutan Protection Unit (OPU.) also comes to the aid of orangutans left stranded when their forest home is destroyed and translocates these vulnerable animals to safe areas of protected forest. The project is an ambitious one but we are committed to rescuing and rehabilitating as many orangutans as we can and giving them a second chance to live safely in their natural environment.



SLOW LORIS RESCUE

The slow loris is one of the most traded primates in Indonesia and as a result is in serious danger of extinction. Thousands of lorises are poached from the wild to be illegally sold as pets. The market traders clip the lorises' teeth to make them easier to handle – an incredibly painful procedure leading to infection and death for many of them. International Animal Rescue's team in Java runs the largest slow loris rehabilitation centre in the world and has successfully released over 670 lorises back into their natural habitat.



HOWLER MONKEY RESCUE

In 2017 we announced our commitment to support Refuge for Wildlife in Costa Rica by contributing funds and raising awareness of its vital work. Together, we rescue, rehabilitate and release injured, displaced and orphaned wildlife. The Refuge's emergency response team have the experience and expertise to rescue monkeys from transformers and electrical wires using specialist equipment. They are often badly burnt and traumatised so are given round the clock treatment and care. The aim is to create new family groups in preparation for the animals' return to the wild.



MACAQUE RESCUE

Macaques are caught from the wild and exported to overseas laboratories for research, kept in chains or cramped cages as pets or brutally trained for human entertainment. Our team works to rescue as many of these captive primates as possible and bring them to the safety of our centre in Java. Rescued macaques are socialised in small groups before being released back into the wild.



OUR OTHER PROJECTS

LEAVING THE GIFT OF FREEDOM FOR DOGS AND CATS

International Animal Rescue collaborates with local groups in Goa, India to improve the welfare of the stray dog and cat populations. The team based at our primate centre in Java also carries out a dog and cat sterilisation and vaccination programme in local villages, while our rehoming scheme and outreach activities also help to build better understanding of dogs among local communities.

With our support, Catastrophes Cat Rescue gives sanctuary to unwanted cats in the UK, allowing them the chance to live out their days in the peace and freedom of the country garden that surrounds the sanctuary.



LEAVING THE GIFT OF FREEDOM FOR BIRDS

Thousands of migrating birds are illegally shot down as they fly over Malta each year. We joined the campaign to end this indiscriminate slaughter in 1990 and lobby for stronger bird protection legislation and more effective law enforcement.

TYPES OF GIFTS

There are four ways to remember International Animal Rescue in your Will:



PECUNIARY GIFT:

A gift of a stated sum of money.



RESIDUAL GIFT:

A gift of the residue or a proportion of the residue of your estate once all other costs have been deducted and families and loved ones have been remembered. This is a popular way of remembering a charity in your Will.



SPECIFIC GIFT:

A gift of a particular item, such as jewellery or art.



A PERCENTAGE OF YOUR ESTATE:

For example, specifying a gift of 5% of the value of your estate. Leaving any type of gift to a charity in your Will can reduce the amount of Inheritance Tax that your estate is liable for. Please ask your legal representative for further advice on this.

If you have already made a Will, changes can be made by Codicil (an addition to the original Will) or by revoking the old Will and drawing up a new one.

Our information that the solicitor will need:

- Full name:
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TN22 1DS**
- Registered charity number:
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Please visit:
www.internationalanimalrescue.org
for details

6 IMPORTANT STEPS TO MAKING A WILL

1 CHOOSE EXECUTOR

You will need to decide who you would like to administer your Will as an executor. It could be a partner, close friend or solicitor. People usually choose two executors.

2 GUARDIANS FOR YOUNG CHILDREN AND PETS

If you have any children or pets it is important to make sure they will be cared for in the event of your death.

3 WHAT DO YOU OWN/WHAT DO YOU HAVE TO LEAVE?

Make a list of all your assets (everything you own) and calculate their value. Be sure to take away any money that you owe (mortgages, loans etc).

4 HOW DO YOU WANT TO LEAVE IT/ WHO DO YOU WANT TO LEAVE IT TO?

Make a list of the people and charities that you might want to include in your Will.

5 FIND AND MEET A SOLICITOR

The Law Society website (<http://solicitors.lawsociety.org.uk/>) provides information on how to find a solicitor. You should then arrange to meet with a solicitor to get expert help with writing your Will.

6 KEEP YOUR WILL SAFE

Once your Will is complete it is important to keep it in a safe place. You can keep it at your home or your solicitor may offer to hold it for you. Make sure a family member knows where it is being kept.

Please use the confidential reply form to let us know if you have decided to leave a gift to us in your Will. This is a great help to us when planning our future work.

For any more information on our projects or to leave a gift in your Will please do contact us on **01825 767688** or **alanknight@internationalanimalrescue.org**.



“I wholeheartedly support International Animal Rescue and, having participated in the charity’s projects with bears in India and primates in Indonesia, can assure you that your legacy will be put to amazing use.”

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'Dr Scott Miller'.

Dr Scott Miller, resident veterinary expert on ITV’s This Morning and Patron of International Animal Rescue.



THANK YOU

Thank you for thinking of International Animal Rescue when writing your Will. If you have any questions, please do get in touch. You can call us on **+44(0) 1825 767688** or email us at **alanknight@internationalanimalrescue.org**.

If you have decided to support our work by remembering us in your Will it would be wonderful if you could let us know as this helps us to plan for our future work. If possible, please do fill out a confidential pledge form and send it back to us.



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