

WHAT WILL YOUR  
LEGACY BE?



THE DONKEY  
SANCTUARY



HERE'S TO THOSE  
WHO CHANGED  
THE WORLD.

DR ELISABETH SVENSEN MBE  
FOUNDER OF THE DONKEY SANCTUARY



**HERE'S TO THE SELFLESS  
DEVOTED.**

Iris Newsom, Seaton.



**...PROTECTS THE  
OVERWORKED,**

**HERE'S TO THE  
COMPASSIONATE ONES.**

David Blumsom, Devon.



**...PROTECTS THE  
UNWANTED  
AND UNLOVED.**



**HERE'S TO THOSE  
WHOSE CONVICTION...**

Janet Thorne, Nottingham.



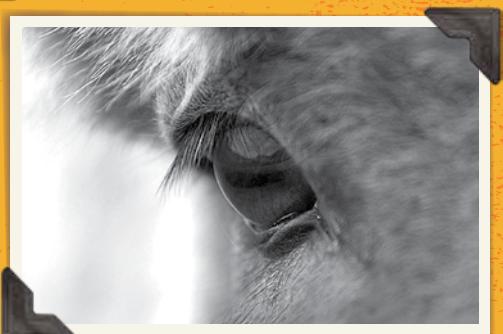
**HERE'S TO THOSE WITH  
THE COURAGE...**

John Levett, East Sussex.

**...PROTECTS THE  
ABUSED,**



**...TO RIGHT THE  
WRONGS.**



Portrait images feature  
some of our benefactors.

**TODAY WE REACH OVER  
400,000 DONKEYS IN 27  
COUNTRIES WORLDWIDE.  
15,500 HAVE ENJOYED  
SANCTUARY IN EUROPE.  
TODAY THOUSANDS OF  
DEVOTEES PROTECT  
AND CARE FOR ABUSED  
DONKEYS. HERE'S TO  
THOSE WHO CHANGE  
THE WORLD. THERE ARE  
40 MILLION DONKEYS  
WORLDWIDE. THERE IS  
STILL SO MUCH TO DO.**

**BE AMAZING, MAKE YOUR  
LEGACY COUNT.**

The Donkey Sanctuary (registered charity number 264818) and its sole corporate trustee, The Donkey Sanctuary Trustee Limited (Company number 07328588) both have their registered office at Slade House Farm, Sidmouth, EX10 0NU  
Incorporating: The Elisabeth Svendsen Trust for Children and Donkeys (EST); The International Donkey Protection Trust (IDPT)

## **WHY I'M PLANNING TO LEAVE A LEGACY TO THE DONKEY SANCTUARY**

**Ann Toogood  
St Albans,  
Hertfordshire**

**“** My family has a long standing tradition of supporting The Donkey Sanctuary. It all began with my father's two elderly aunts who were great donkey lovers, as was my mother and I've inherited a soft spot for donkeys from her. Over the years I used to bring my parents down to visit the donkeys in Sidmouth and at Christmas we would adopt donkeys for the grandchildren of the family.



I've decided to leave The Donkey Sanctuary a bequest in my will. My family will come first, but then I'm planning to leave what's left to charity. It's very important to me that the work of The Donkey Sanctuary carries on and this is one way that I can help.

The commitment of The Donkey Sanctuary to give care and love to thousands of donkeys worldwide is something that I am proud to be associated with. However small my contribution, I am made to feel that 'every little bit helps'. By getting involved now the future can be safe guarded for these wonderful animals.

## WHY WE NEED YOUR HELP MORE THAN EVER

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### UK CASE STUDY

Poor economic conditions have seen unprecedented numbers of donkeys being abandoned in Northern Ireland.

We were alerted to the plight of four donkeys abandoned in perilous conditions. Dumped in a boggy field and left to starve, a fifth member of the herd had fallen into a drainage ditch where he had sadly drowned.

Luckily we were able to step in and rescue his friends.

The group included a young foal, found by the feet of his mother. Along with his companions, young Fluffy was in a very bad way and clearly had not been properly looked after for some time.

Following a thorough medical examination, Fluffy was given extra feeds to help build his weight and body condition while our farrier tended his overgrown hooves.

Because poor Fluffy was so nervous of people he needed extra handling.



**Above:** Hazel, Marion, Joszef and Fluffy have been named in memory of four of our supporters who have left us bequests. Thanks to their generosity, the donkeys are guaranteed a lifetime of security, care and lots of cuddles under our protection.

We're now pleased to report that all four donkeys have happily settled into their new surroundings and will be looked after for life.

In the UK, we never turn away a donkey in distress, but we need your help to ensure this pledge continues.

It costs over £2,000 a year to keep a donkey in one of our UK farms.

### INTERNATIONAL CASE STUDY

Our international teams reach working donkeys who support some of the world's poorest communities.

For the 3,000 donkeys that pass through Merkato Market in the Ethiopian capital of Addis Ababa every day, our clinic provides a source of vital relief.

Donkeys provide a crucial means of transport, delivering produce to the market in exchange for grains from Merkato's wholesalers. Buckling under the weight of the loads they must carry, the donkeys endure tough treatment in a region where the need to forge a living outweighs any welfare considerations.

Thankfully we are there to alleviate their suffering. In 2011 alone, 1,760 donkeys were admitted to the clinic, suffering from all kinds of ailments including back sores, colic (largely caused by eating plastic while scavenging for food), hoof lameness, hyena bites and diseases such as anthrax, rabies and tetanus.

Importantly we work in partnership with local donkey owners, not only



providing medical care but offering educational advice and giving communities the tools they need to deliver better care themselves.

Help us to extend this work, so more of the world's hardest working donkeys get the care they deserve.

**It costs an average of £20,000 to set up a mobile unit and a further £20,000 a year (£55 a day) to run each one, including staffing and vehicle costs.**

See first hand what life is like for Merkato's "donkey machines" and how our clinic is providing vital respite at: [www.thedonkeysanctuary.org.uk/ethiopia](http://www.thedonkeysanctuary.org.uk/ethiopia)

# THANK YOU FOR CARING

In thanks for this vital support, we inscribe the name of every supporter who leaves us a legacy on our Memory Wall at our Devon Sanctuary.

Please help us to deliver our vision of a world where every donkey and mule is truly loved.

## WHAT NEXT?

If you want to request a copy of our Leaving a Legacy guide 'Your questions answered' or wish to speak directly with our **Legacy Team** at our headquarters in Sidmouth, please contact:



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More information can be found at  
[www.thedonkeysanctuary.org.uk](http://www.thedonkeysanctuary.org.uk)

**If you plan to leave The Donkey Sanctuary a gift in your will it would be very helpful if you could let us know.**

We will treat any information you give us in the strictest confidence.

Title  Forename  Surname

Address

Postcode

Phone Number  Email

Supporter no:  D.O.B.

I have already included a legacy to The Donkey Sanctuary in my will.  
 \*My gift will be a share of my estate/all my estate/a specific sum of money.  
 I am considering leaving a legacy to The Donkey Sanctuary in my will.

\*Delete as appropriate.

Please complete and return free of charge to: Legacy Department,  
The Donkey Sanctuary, FREEPOST EX201, Sidmouth, Devon EX10 8ZZ

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