



**You can
create a
better world
for working
animals**
with a gift in
your Will



SPANA

For the working animals of the world

You and I share a goal

We both want a world where every animal is treated with compassion and respect

Treating sick and injured animals is central to SPANA's work, but we must do even more to change attitudes and harmful traditions. It's our goal to put animal welfare at the heart of every community that relies on donkeys, horses, camels and other animals.


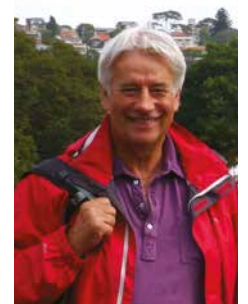
Since SPANA was formed in 1923 we've witnessed a dramatic change in attitudes towards working animals. In Morocco, for example, the dedicated teams at our veterinary centres now see fewer injuries and ailments due to neglect or mistreatment. This shows that our animal welfare message is taking root.

However, we still have a great deal to do – and we can't do it without you. We rely on your support to run our permanent centres, mobile clinics and to expand our work into new regions and countries. You can help us educate animal owners and children, the owners of the future, in how to care for their animals. You can help us protect animals in times of drought or civil conflict. You can help us reduce the suffering of thousands of overworked and neglected animals.

By choosing to leave a gift to SPANA in your Will, you can help to ensure that our vital work continues. Together we will create a better world for working animals.



Professor Tim Greet BVMS MVM CertEO DESTS DipECVS FRCVS
SPANAs Chair of Trustees



“I intend to include SPANA in the next Will I write as I love animals and have seen for myself, in Morocco and across Africa and the Middle East, how desperately working animals need treatment and better care.”

Kirstie Wielandt

“ We realised that behind the facade of picturesque beauty there existed a vast sea of neglected animal suffering. How many tourists had glimpsed this hidden world and like us done nothing about it? **”**

Nina Hosali, SPANA founder
(following her trip to Morocco in 1923)



A history of caring

We've been devoted to working animals since 1923

1923: After witnessing the terrible suffering of neglected working animals on their travels through north Africa, Kate Hosali and her daughter Nina felt compelled to act.

1924 – 1987: Nina sets up SPANA in London while Kate establishes veterinary centres across north and west Africa. After devoting 21 years of her life to saving animals, Kate passes away in Marrakech aged 67. Nina rebuilds SPANA's services after the Second World War, extending our animal welfare education work. After 42 years of selfless devotion to working animals, Nina passes away in 1987 aged 89.

1990 – 2005: SPANA opens veterinary centres in Syria and in three sub-Saharan countries: Mali, Mauritania and Ethiopia. SPANA teams have to contend with outbreaks of the potentially fatal African Horse Sickness and Epizootic Lymphangitis. SPANA also provide assistance for the first time in Zimbabwe, due to the economic meltdown.

2005 – to present day: During the devastating east African drought in 2011, SPANA helped feed over 50,000 livestock. Between 2013 and 2016 SPANA opened programmes in Zimbabwe, Botswana and Myanmar. In Myanmar, SPANA reaches a new species of animal for the charity - the elephants that work in the timber industry.

The future: Our vision is a world where every working animal lives a life free from suffering and is treated with compassion.

By remembering SPANA in your Will, you can help to make that vision a reality by reaching more animals through new permanent centres and mobile clinics, establishing more training centres and educating more children.





A culture of compassion

Your legacy can help to make the world a more caring place for working animals

We are determined to end the suffering of working animals through the provision of veterinary treatment, education and emergency assistance. As well as caring for injured and sick animals, we train other veterinary professionals, educate owners in animal welfare and encourage children to empathise with animals.

By supporting SPANA with a gift in your Will you can help us do more than improve animal treatment and care in the future – you can help us to make animal welfare part of a country's culture.



Photo: Ruben Salgado



Free veterinary treatment

You can help ease the suffering of working animals

SPANA runs a life-saving network of veterinary centres and mobile clinics, giving free care to tens of thousands of working animals every year - animals that people in poverty rely on for their livelihoods.

Our dedicated teams around the world treat everything from painful harness sores and infected wounds to colic, tetanus and infectious diseases, like Epizootic Lymphangitis. While our teams are working they carry out medical checks and often pick up other serious conditions. A gift in your Will can help us continue this lifesaving work.

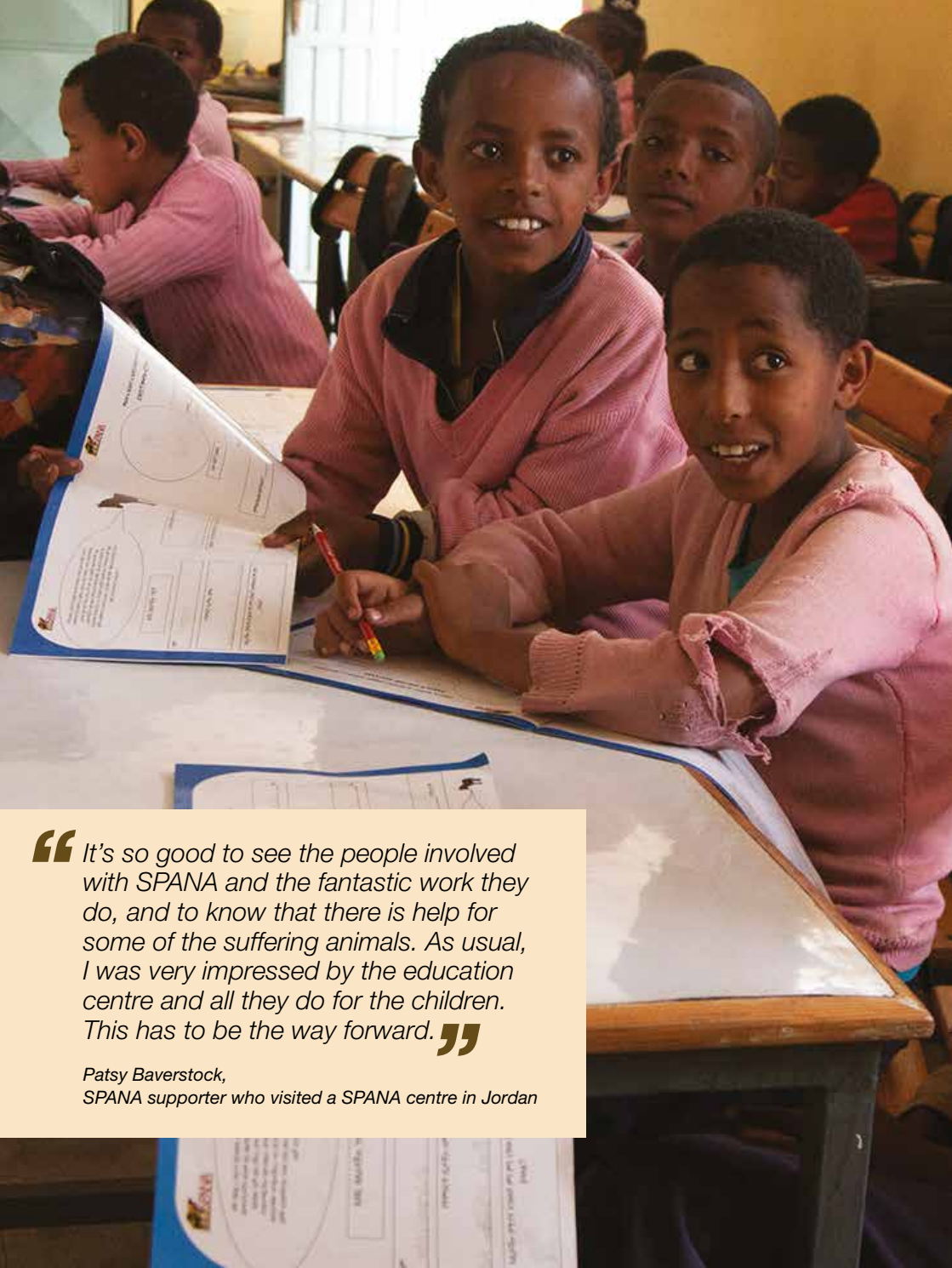
Shad's story

The owners of the working animals that we treat are poor and can't afford to pay for veterinary care – even if they can access it. So our free veterinary treatment services are vital for working animals and their owners.

Shad the donkey was pulling a vegetable delivery cart along a busy main road in Marrakech when a car drove too close to him and struck him in the face. Shad's owner rushed him to the Marrakech centre for emergency treatment.

Our veterinary team gave Shad anti-inflammatory drugs and antibiotics to treat his wound. Shad was then kept at the clinic so that he could be monitored. After two weeks Shad made a full recovery.





“It’s so good to see the people involved with SPANA and the fantastic work they do, and to know that there is help for some of the suffering animals. As usual, I was very impressed by the education centre and all they do for the children. This has to be the way forward.”

Patsy Baverstock,
SPANA supporter who visited a SPANA centre in Jordan

Education and training

You can help children develop empathy for animals

Educating children is central to our work. If we are going to achieve a cultural shift in the way animals are treated then an entire generation has to view animals in a new light, and with greater knowledge about good animal husbandry. Our education programme teaches that animals can feel pain and have similar needs to us; they need food, water, shelter and medical treatment. This is the first step in eradicating harmful practices and creating a better world for all animals.

Wherever possible, we construct enclosed areas next to the classrooms, so children can handle guinea pigs and rabbits to develop positive attitudes and empathy towards animals. Groups of children also have the opportunity to see animals being treated by SPANA vets, giving them an understanding of the illnesses and injuries that affect working animals. By leaving SPANA a gift in your Will you can help us reach many thousands of children with our animal welfare message.

“I didn’t like donkeys. I didn’t think they felt pain, but I know differently now.”

Akim, aged 11

You can help owners learn to respect animals

We don’t judge or blame animal owners, instead we work closely with them and their communities to instill a culture of compassion through animal welfare education. We show owners how to care for their animals and spot the early symptoms of serious conditions like colic, tetanus and lameness.

We also place great emphasis on veterinary training for local vets in the field, enthusiastic students and support staff. The more people we can train, the better life will be for donkeys, horses and camels in the future.



Emergency and outreach

You can help animals in a crisis

In addition to our veterinary and education work, SPANA takes emergency action to save the lives of animals and the communities that rely on them when they are threatened by drought, conflict or natural disaster. SPANA's emergency response has saved many thousands of donkeys, horses and livestock caught up in urgent crises all over the world, including Ethiopia, Afghanistan, Kenya, Iraq, Egypt and Mongolia. Our emergency teams are ready to get life-saving help to animals wherever and whenever disaster strikes.

SPANAs outreach projects allow us to reach way beyond the countries where we have permanent programmes. Working with carefully chosen and trusted local partners, we provide both immediate relief and long term solutions to protect livelihoods and improve animal welfare right across the world.

"Seeing first-hand the suffering of the pastoralists and animals in an area ravaged by months of drought is something I will never forget. Standing among all those dying animals was truly shocking. But I knew that, because of the gifts in Wills we receive from our dedicated supporters, I could act immediately to help.

However, I'm really concerned that we won't be able to meet future challenges like these without you. So please consider a gift to SPANA in your Will."

Francesca Compostella
Director of Veterinary Programmes



What to do next

I hope that you've been inspired to remember SPANA in your Will.

You'll find all the information you need to remember SPANA in your Will on the facing page – and you might find it helpful to take it to your solicitor.

If you would like to amend your existing Will to include SPANA, then this is relatively straightforward with what's known as a Codicil. To help you, there's a Codicil form enclosed for you to complete with your solicitor.

We're here to help

If you have any questions, just call us on 020 7831 3999 to arrange a confidential discussion with a member of our friendly legacy team. We will be able to talk you through any questions you may have, which could help to minimise the time you need to spend with a solicitor.

We understand that for many people, leaving a legacy is a very personal decision, but it would be enormously helpful to know what your intentions are, whatever you decide. This will help reduce our administration costs as in future we will only send information that is relevant to you.

We would of course love to thank you for your generosity, but if you'd prefer not to hear from us regarding legacies, please do let us know. So, if you have a couple of minutes, please complete and return the enclosed response form. The form is not legally binding in any way.



"When I first heard about SPANA and the practical and innovative work they do, I immediately decided to support them. I knew how heavily SPANA relies on legacies for funding and felt that I had to help in this way. I also think it's a marvellous way to leave a gift that, in effect, doesn't cost anything but will help future generations of animals."

Mrs R Marshall

Every exhausted donkey
we care for, every
injured horse we treat,
every camel or cow we
vaccinate, is only helped
thanks to the gifts we
receive from caring
people like you.

Thank you

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Our promise to you

- 1: We understand that for many people, family and friends should come first and foremost.
- 2: We would love to thank you for your generosity – but it's your choice whether you tell us and we promise to respect your privacy.
- 3: We promise to use your gift where it will have the greatest impact for working animals – or on a specific area of our work if you request it. Please discuss your requirements with us first.
- 4: We promise to treat whatever gift you leave with the utmost care, sensitivity and respect.

