

PROTECT
NATURE WITH
**A GIFT IN
YOUR WILL**



Nature
Foundation



From the Chair

Jan
Ferguson
OAM

Nature Foundation is a vital element of the natural reserve system in Australia.

Our heritage stems from South Australia and Nature Foundation's nature reserves, comprising almost 40% of all private protected areas in South Australia and 6% nationally.

Our reserves directly protect our precious biodiversity.

Our work is becoming increasingly urgent as protected areas become the final refuges for more threatened species and ecosystems.

By making a gift in your Will to Nature Foundation, we will wisely invest to help secure unique landscapes, flora and fauna for future generations.

Pretty Point, Hiltaba Nature Reserve

(Photo - Bill Doyle)

Cover image:

Dympna Cullen with a Crest-tailed Mulgara, the focus of her PhD. Her research was supported by a Nature Foundation grant.

(Photo - Jack Dickson)

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My grandmother, Dr Barbara Hardy AO, with Warren Bonython AO, Dr Mark Bonnin and David Cleland founded what is now Nature Foundation, in 1981.

Our family continued to support Nature Foundation and now as a Board member I'm excited to continue their vision for nature for future generations, including my daughter Matilda's.

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**Nature
needs your
help** now
more than
ever.

*Barbara Hardy, Bec Hardy
and daughter Matilda*

(Photo - Patrick Mentzel)

Your bequest to Nature Foundation can help our most vulnerable native plants and animals to survive – on our nature reserves, at wetlands along the River Murray, in iconic locations like Kangaroo Island or on newly created reserves.

With your help we can continue our important conservation work and deliver genuine outcomes for nature today and into the future.



Why **leave a gift** in your Will to Nature Foundation?

Leaving a gift in your Will to Nature Foundation is a powerful way to support a cause that has deep significance for you. It is part of the legacy that you choose to leave that tells future generations that this is something you care about – something worth fighting for, something worth protecting and preserving. That is a strong message of support and provides leadership and guidance to future generations.

Nature Foundation plays a crucial role in protecting the magnificent natural environment that sustains us all. A gift in your Will helps us to invest in conserving, restoring and protecting South Australian landscapes, flora and fauna to ensure their survival for future generations.

All gifts, of any size, make a difference. When you include Nature Foundation in your Will, your gift protects nature, the eco-systems, the land, the water, the trees and grasses, the rocks and rivers, the insects, birds and animals:

- Your gift can help us buy and restore land of high conservation value, or you may wish to gift real estate or an area of your land to be protected and managed for nature conservation.

- Your gift can be held in perpetuity to help protect nature far into the future.
- Your gift can be directed to where it is most critically needed at that time.
- Your gift can help us to deliver life-giving water to sustain wetlands and floodplain ecosystems.
- Your gift can be directed to advance the conservation management plan on our Nature Reserves.
- Your gift can help to educate young scientists and finance valuable scientific knowledge to help save threatened species.

Water for Nature watering site at Murbpook Nature Reserve

(Photo - Charles Phillpot).

Butterfly at Witchelina Nature Reserve Theclinessthes serpentatus

(Photo Coral Johnston)



Testimonial

As members of Nature Foundation, Peter and James valued the work we do to protect threatened species and biodiverse bushland. They wanted to protect a piece of wilderness and so moved from a suburban block in Prospect to a 116-hectare bushland coastal property on Kangaroo Island.

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For the past 11 years we have been involved in community science projects and regenerating the land. Threatened animals such as the Hooded Plover, Echidna, White bellied Sea Eagle, Rosenberg’s Goanna and Beautiful Firetail are frequent visitors, and in spring thousands of the near threatened Hare Orchid appear.

We are constantly reminded that such wildness is being whittled away. We wanted to ensure its ongoing protection by placing 49 hectares under a Heritage Agreement. The environment has supported and provided all the essentials that has sustained our lives. Taking the next step of leaving a bequest to Nature Foundation will continue to pay back and provide beyond our custodianship.

As long-time members we feel confident that our bequest will be valued and put to its best use.

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Pygmy possum

Peter Hastwell with James Barnes

(Photos – Peter Hastwell)



How do I leave a gift in my Will to Nature Foundation?



*Mount Lofty Ranges Southern Emu-wren
at Watchalunga Nature Reserve
(Photo – Subbu Conley).*

A gift to Nature Foundation in your Will can assist us to protect these critically endangered birds at Watchalunga Nature Reserve.

The process to draw up or amend your Will to leave a gift to Nature Foundation is easy.

Contact a lawyer of your choice.

If you need to find a lawyer, contact

**Patrick Mentzel – Philanthropy Coordinator
at Nature Foundation on 08 8340 2880
or info@naturefoundation.org.au**

and he will be able to refer you to one or more lawyers who specialise in Wills and estate planning.

Making a bequest to Nature Foundation can help ensure that future generations will be able to experience the beauty of South Australia's natural environment.

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We chose Nature Foundation because of their long track record in conservation in this state. We talked with staff about our concern to protect our land in the longer term and were reassured this organisation could ensure care and protection into the future. It feels good to know that in bequeathing our beloved property to Nature Foundation we can make this happen.

Jane and Jocelyn

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I was drawn to the practicality of what Nature Foundation does – buying and conserving land is such an effective and action-based way to make a lasting difference.

Steph

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To be able to protect unique species and restore land as Nature Foundation does, is nothing short of a miracle.

Marie and Clive at a Vision for Nature visit to Cleland Wildlife Park



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Sunrise at Hiltaba Nature Reserve
(Photo: Natasha Harper)

A gift to Nature Foundation in your Will can help us acquire and restore more properties like Hiltaba to provide a safe haven for threatened species such as the Yellow-footed Rock-wallaby.

A gift for **Woodland birds**

Para Woodlands Nature Reserve is an outstanding restoration success story that grew from a gift of land and funds from the late Elizabeth Law-Smith OAM.

In 2003 Elizabeth gifted a portion of her farm, Yaringa near Gawler. Funds were also gifted to restore the property to a functioning grassy woodland to provide habitat for local fauna, with focus on declining woodland birds.

Planting to date has occurred over 200 hectares, with more than 118,000 native plants and 1,000 kilograms of native grass seed used for direct seeding. A mix of locally indigenous eucalypts, sheoaks, and other tree and shrub species have been selected to re-establish functional open woodlands with a grassy understorey.

One of many achievements for the Para Woodlands Nature Reserve is that revegetation has progressed to such an extent that the endangered Diamond Firetail finches have become permanent residents.

Elizabeth Law-Smith

(Photo – Cath Leo)

Grassy woodlands at Para Woodlands Nature Reserve

(Photo – Leanne Rosser)

Diamond Firetail finch at Para Woodlands

(Photo – Dragos Moise)



What types of gifts **can you leave** in your Will?

Gifts in wills can take many forms and be of any size, including a financial contribution, land, real estate, water entitlements and stocks and shares.

Residuary Gift

This gives the remainder of your estate after first leaving specific gifts to your loved ones.

Specific Gift

A specified gift that can be money, residential property, land, shares, or specific items such as vehicles.

Percentage or Fractional Gift

A gift expressed as a percentage or fraction of your estate. Dividing your estate by percentages or fractions gives longevity to your Will because the gifts are not influenced by inflation or changes in the value or composition of your estate.

Gifts of Land for Conservation

If you are the owner of a piece of land with conservation value, please contact Nature Foundation to discuss giving your land for conservation.

Gift of Entire Estate

You can give your entire estate to Nature Foundation if you want to achieve something very significant with your gift.



Native Blue Banded Bee at Hiltaba Nature Reserve

(Photo - Coral Johnston)

Wording you can include in your Will

“I give to Nature Foundation Ltd ACNC Registered Charity ABN 24 131 531 874 of Level 2 Payinthe, 128 Prospect Rd Prospect SA 5082:

- the sum of (\$.....); or
- (.....%) of my total estate; or
- the residue of my estate; or
- (.....%) of the residue of my estate; or
- the following items of my property (.....) absolutely;

for the general purposes of that or any successor organisation, and I direct that the receipt of the Company Secretary or other duly authorised officer of Nature Foundation Ltd shall be a sufficient discharge to my Executors.”



Join **Vision for Nature**

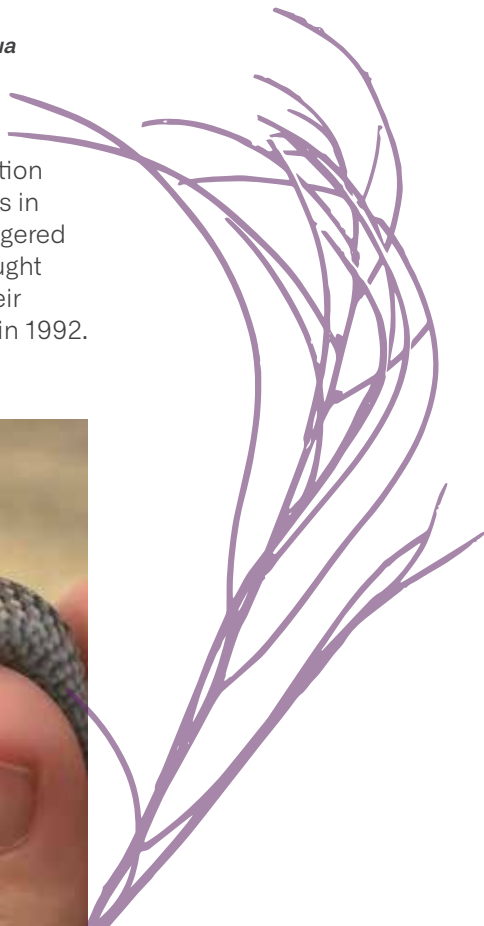
Mirra Weir, Witchelina Nature Reserve

(Photo – Gretta Koch)

Pygmy Bluetongue at Tiliqua Nature Reserve

(Photo – Lucy Clive)

A gift to Nature Foundation in your Will can assist us in protecting these endangered lizards, which were thought to be extinct prior to their rediscovery near Burra in 1992.



Vision for Nature is a way for us to recognise you for including Nature Foundation in your Will.

When you confirm the gift to Nature Foundation in your Will you will be invited to join Vision for Nature to enjoy the benefits of membership of this select group.

Vision for Nature brings together people with a deep concern for, and commitment to, our natural environment thriving well beyond our own lifetimes. There are a wide range of social, cultural and nature conservation events, with opportunities to meet like-minded people and engage with a dynamic community of staff, board members, researchers and donors.

Your membership of the Vision for Nature group is a way to thank you for your generous support and enables us to engage with you on a personal level about Nature Foundation’s conservation work in South Australia during your lifetime.

Glossy Black-cockatoos at Cygnet River on Kangaroo Island.

(Photo – Eleanor Sobey)



A gift to Nature Foundation in your Will makes a profound difference to nature through helping to protect South Australian landscapes and wildlife for future generations.

From all of us at Nature Foundation and the broader South Australian community...

Thank you.

Next steps

For further information about gifting or Nature Foundation and what we do, please contact us.

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We recommend that you seek advice from a lawyer to ensure that the wording of your Will reflects your exact wishes. You may wish to speak to an accountant about taxation and financial matters.

If you are a lawyer with a client who would like to leave a gift to Nature Foundation, please pass on our sincere thanks. We would be happy to speak to you and your client personally about their gift if appropriate.



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