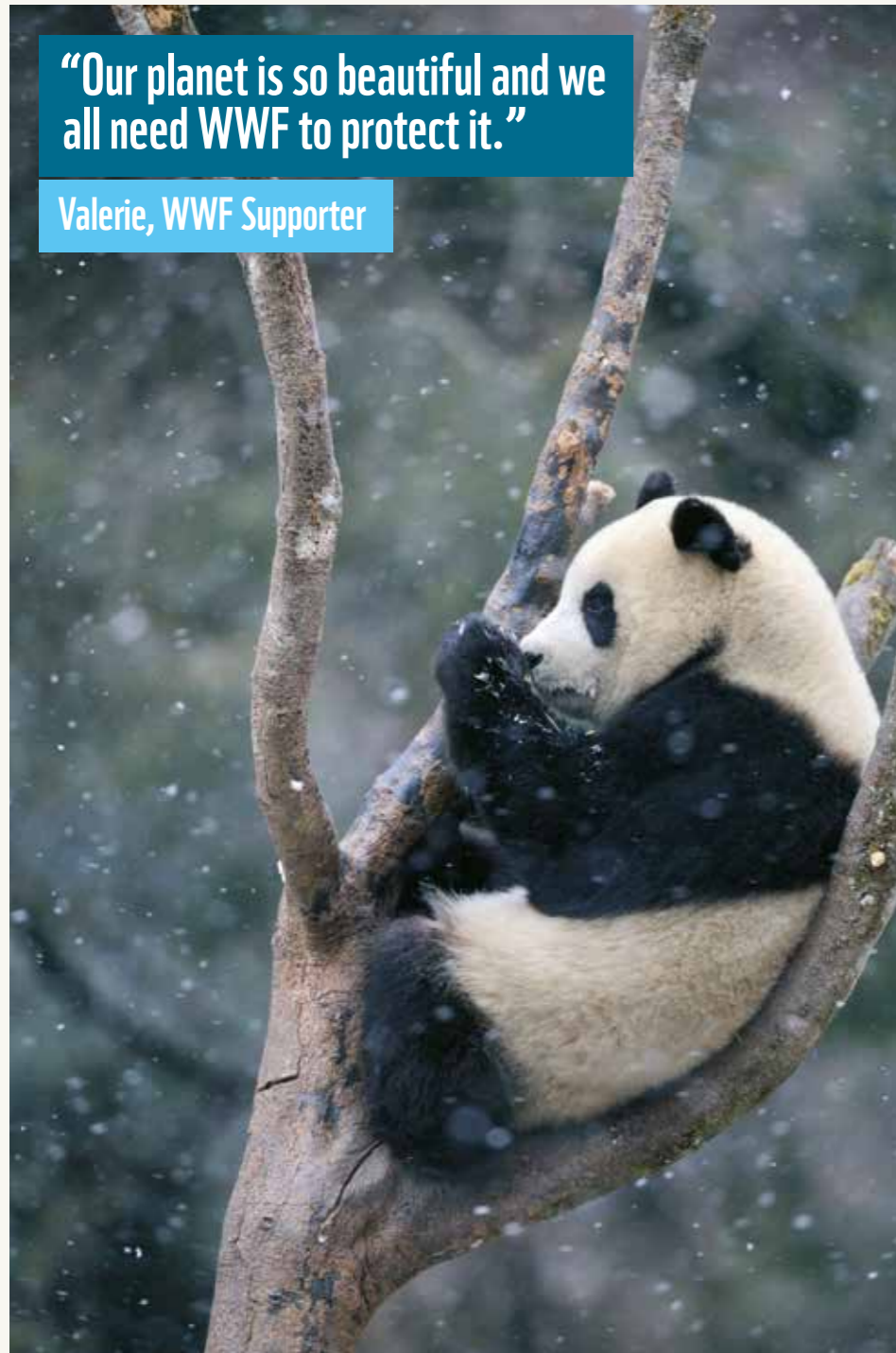


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Valerie, WWF Supporter



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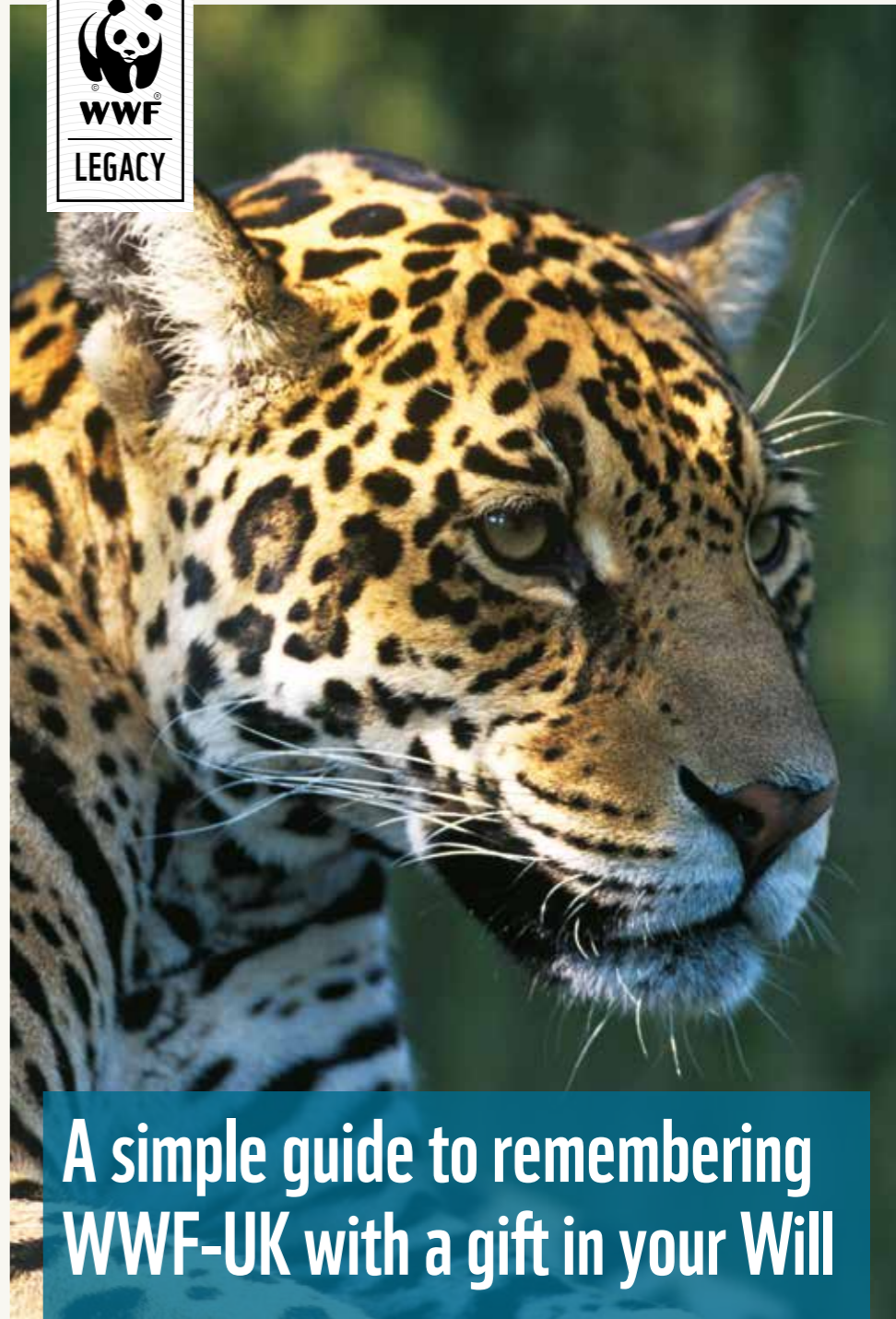


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A simple guide to remembering WWF-UK with a gift in your Will

Introduction

This leaflet answers some of the most common queries about leaving a gift to WWF-UK and will hopefully answer any questions you may have. Please remember, a gift in your Will could help us protect our incredible planet for future generations.

Gifts in Wills help fund our vital work around the world. They account for around 20% of WWF-UK's voluntary income and without them we simply wouldn't be able to continue the important work we do.

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“WWF’s work is vital.”

**David Attenborough,
WWF Ambassador**

Frequently Asked Questions

We are often asked questions when people are deciding whether to leave WWF-UK a gift. We have put together some of our most frequently asked questions.

How and why should I make a Will?

If you don't have a Will, your estate will be divided according to the law when you die. This could mean that your wishes are not carried out as you would want them to be. Having a Will, especially one written by a solicitor, is the only way of ensuring that your loved ones and chosen charities will be remembered as you wish.

What kind of gift could I make?

There are three main types of gift that you can leave in your Will:

A percentage of your estate can make a big difference. You can leave a percentage of your estate after your family and friends are provided for. This is called a residuary gift.

You can leave a specific sum of money. This is called a pecuniary gift.

A specific gift is a particular item such as a piece of jewellery or art, etc.

All gifts are very important to WWF-UK and help us continue the work to protect our planet. However, residuary gifts (a percentage of your estate) are particularly helpful as they usually maintain or increase their value over time, and will remain proportional to the value of your estate as time goes by.

How will my gift be used?

Your legacy can live on for generations and will help us continue our vital work to protect our coasts and oceans, our forests and rivers and the species that depend on these habitats to live. A gift in your Will can help build a world where people and nature thrive.

I'm not wealthy - would anything I leave be useful?

We're very grateful for every gift we receive, no matter how large or small.

All of the legacies we receive are used to help protect our incredible planet so even a small percentage of your estate would mean a lot to us.

I've already made a Will. Do I need to make a new one?

If you decide to leave a gift in your Will, you may not need to make a new one. Small changes to your Will can be stated in a document called a codicil, which is read in conjunction with your Will. However, your solicitor will need our registered address and charity details, which can be found in the contact section.

You may also want to take specific wording to your solicitor if you decide to leave us a gift, and we have included sample wording in this leaflet.

Do I need a solicitor to make a Will?

We would encourage you to discuss your Will with your solicitor to ensure that all legal requirements are met and that your Will is valid. A properly drafted Will can help reduce the amount of tax payable on your estate and increase the value of the assets that you pass on to the people you care about.

Sample wording for changing your Will

If you do decide to leave a gift in your Will to WWF-UK, you may want to take the following wording to your

solicitor so that your Will can be updated.

Remember, to leave a residuary gift, choose the percentage of your estate that you would like to leave to WWF-UK. To leave a pecuniary gift, choose a specific sum of money you would like to leave instead.

'I give ___% of my residuary estate or £ ___ to WWF-UK of The Living Planet Centre Rufford House Brewery Road Woking Surrey registered charity number 1081247 for its charitable purposes and I further direct that the receipt of the Treasurer or other proper officer of WWF-UK for the time being shall be a full and sufficient discharge for the said legacy.'

Help with your Will

WWF-UK is not able to offer legal advice but may be able to assist with simple queries or refer you to a solicitor to have your simple Will written for free. WWF-UK is a part of the National Free Wills Network and is able to refer its supporters to have a simple Will written at no cost to you.

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