



THE TIMBAVATI FOUNDATION

“You can’t exist as a human being in isolation”



IN THE SPIRIT OF UBUNTU

The Timbavati Foundation, which was registered in 2010, is an independent Capital Trust Fund and has its vision firmly rooted in the spirit of Ubuntu.

Ubuntu, one of the founding principles of the new South Africa and a concept that exemplifies both Nelson Mandela and Archbishop Desmond Tutu, encapsulates the true essence of being a human.

According to Nelson Mandela Ubuntu is about generosity, the need for unity and for a humanitarian ethic to inform our decisions.

“It doesn’t mean you should not enrich yourself; but whether what you do enables the community around you to improve.”



educational programmes in Primary Schools and High Schools. Its mission is to promote environmental and conservation awareness and ecotourism which includes upgrading the Bush School and expanding teacher workshops at schools. It is also committed to supporting health care facilities such as the Phelwana Clinic situated in the Timbavati Private Nature Reserve and to providing bursaries for further training in conservation. Community upliftment and the social care of people living in surrounding communities also forms an integral part of the Foundation’s mandate.

OUR INITIATIVES

The Zulu maxim umuntu ngumuntu ngabantu (from which the word Ubuntu is derived) means a person is a person through other persons. The Archbishop further explains it brilliantly: “Ubuntu speaks about our interconnectedness and the fact that you cannot exist as a human being in isolation. We are not just individuals separated from one another; what we do affects others which in turn affects the whole world.”

OUR VISION

The primary objective of the Timbavati Foundation is to reach out and provide funding for educational, training and sustainability programmes for underprivileged communities in the Greater Hoedspruit area.

The focus of the Foundation comprises four pillars:

- Conservation and Environmental Awareness
- Community Upliftment and Social Care
- Education
- Health Care

The Foundation is currently actively involved in the Timbavati Bush School, various sustainability programmes in neighbouring communities as well as in outreach and



and pollution. Pupils are given an assignment to create a permagarden within their community/school. This project takes a year and special emphasis is placed on erosion control, tidiness, recycling and sustainability. Some of the gardens have become an important food source for the community and augment Government feeding schemes as well as engendering a sense of pride and achievement within the community. Winners get a free trip to the Kruger National Park and the best students go on to do a course at the nearby Southern African Wildlife College, a SADC recognized centre of specialization. A number of promising students have also undergone hospitality training at the Graaff-Reinet College of Tourism.

Special teacher workshops cover critical environmental issues which take place at the Bush School and within the community schools. These workshops provide teachers with essential environmental knowledge whilst emphasizing the need for sustainability.

To help create a better learning environment at schools in the area, infrastructure development programmes are slowly being put in place. These include improvements to classrooms as well as the provision of basic kitchen facilities.



PAYMENT OPTIONS

By Cheque/Postal Order

Please find enclosed cheque/postal order to the

value of: R

By Credit Card

Please debit my credit card to the value of:

R

Mastercard Visa Card

Amex Diners Club

Card Number

3-digit number on reverse of card

Expiry Date

Signature

By Direct Transfer

I would like to credit the Timbavati Foundation’s account to the value of:

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TIMBAVATI FOUNDATION

Banking Details:

Account Name: Timbavati Foundation
Bank: Standard Bank - Hoedspruit
Account Number: 27 298 3047
Branch Code: 052752
Swift Code: SBZAJJ

THANK YOU



A start has also been made to the greening of school grounds with the planting of indigenous trees and the promotion of waterwise gardening. The sinking of boreholes, the erection of water tanks, and the provision of enviro-loos as well as basic sanitation are also being addressed.

Other projects which the Foundation has initiated include:

- The provision of school libraries to help promote a culture of learning.
- The establishment of a bursary scheme which will enable promising students to further their studies
- Environmental and social research covering critical issues such as unemployment and deployment.
- Support for the Phelwana Clinic situated in the Timbavati Private Nature Reserve
- The funding of Healing Hearts, an NGO crucially involved with people who need social care including orphans and destitute people.



OUR PLEDGE

With minimal overheads, donors can invest with the reassurance that the Foundation's Trust Fund will be managed with the utmost professionalism and integrity.

As a Timbavati Foundation Donor you will receive...

- Acknowledgment of your support
- Exemption from estate duty and donations tax, with a tax rebate certificate issued in respect of your donation (donations are tax deductible).
- Regular updates informing you of the Foundation's activities.



- The satisfaction of knowing that your generous contribution will be used, in the spirit of Ubuntu, to give underprivileged South Africans a grounding in environmental education, better healthcare, sustainable living and a fighting chance to make their mark in our fairly young democracy.

Why the foundation needs your support?

The Timbavati Foundation depends on the support of individuals, foundations, trusts and companies to ensure the ongoing success of its various programmes.

The Timbavati Foundation is also proudly supported by the lodges by way of a conservation levy. Whilst the levies are primarily used for the management of the Timbavati Private Nature Reserve covering a massive 54 300ha, a portion thereof also helps finance community outreach projects which are managed by the Foundation.

Which level of support will you choose?

- **Baobab - R1 million and above.**
Massive and enduring, the Baobab typifies the African landscape. Your donation will have a lasting impact on Africa's people.
- **Sycamore Fig - R500 000 upwards.**
With its massive pale trunk, verdant foliage and luscious fruits, it is sought by so many inhabitants of the bush. Your donation is much needed and will bring so many benefits to poor communities.
- **Maroela - R250 000 upwards.**
Possibly Africa's most valuable tree - its sweet fruits providing nourishment for many. Your donation will help sustain a number of people.
- **Leadwood - R100 000 upwards.**
Its heavy, highly durable wood is much sought after – from making a fire to building a house. Something your donation will help do.



- **Jackalberry - R50 000 upwards.**
Standing regally along water courses this tree adds shade and beauty to the veld. Your donation will help to enrich someone's life.
- **Huilboerboon - R25 000 upwards.**
With its beautiful red flowers and striking green foliage the Schotia towers above the bush. Your contribution will help make someone stand tall.
- **Fever Tree - R10 000 upwards.**
With its ghostly greeny-yellow trunk the Fever Tree is very distinctive. Your donation will enhance the unique qualities of many underprivileged people.
- **Knobthorn - R1 000 upwards.**
A beautiful and stately tree that protects itself with the prickly knobs on its trunk. Your donation will help individuals safeguard themselves from ignorance.
- **Silver Cluster Leaf – up to R1 000**
With its pale grey-green leaves and spreading crown this beautiful bushveld tree is used both medicinally and for building huts. Your generosity will help to build someone's life.



PLEDGE FORM

Yes, in the spirit of Ubuntu, I want to support the Timbavati Foundation

DONOR DETAILS

Title Initials

Surname

Company / Fund

Postal Address

Postal Code

Country

Tel (H) (B)

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Email

I would like my donation to go towards:

- Conservation and Environmental Awareness
- Community Upliftment & Social Care
- Education
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