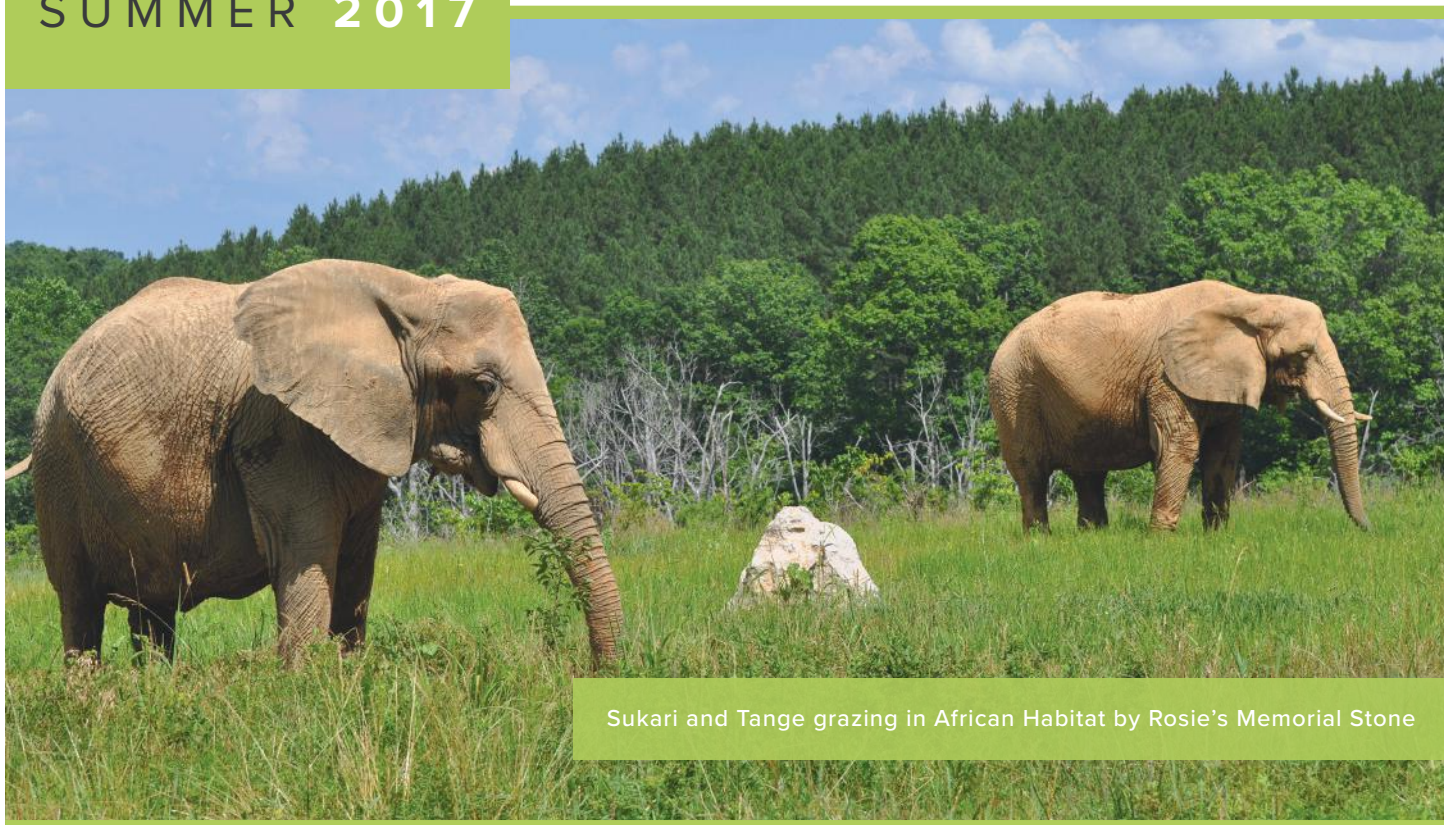


# TRUNK LINES

SUMMER 2017

 **THE ELEPHANT  
SANCTUARY**  
IN TENNESSEE™



Sukari and Tange grazing in African Habitat by Rosie's Memorial Stone

## Inside The Sanctuary

A stormy spring brings tall grasses, rain-filled ponds, and lots of mud to The Sanctuary. And that's just fine, because for the elephants, that means a summer of grazing, swimming and wallowing. With room to roam in a natural habitat, the elephants at The Sanctuary are able to exhibit natural behaviors vital to their physical, social and psychological well-being. At The Sanctuary, each elephant is able to make daily choices about how they spend their time—and how they choose to spend their time can be very different for each elephant. **Shirley** often chooses to explore far reaches of her habitat; **Ronnie** sticks close to her friends; and **Flora** forges her own path by downing trees. Expanded habitat areas allow the elephants to continue to discover previously unexplored territory, making summer a true season of exploration at The Sanctuary.

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Updates on all the elephants living at The Elephant Sanctuary are included in this summer issue of *Trunklines*.



Observe the elephants live via  
The Sanctuary's live-streaming EleCams  
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#### **Our Mission**

Founded in 1995, The Elephant Sanctuary in Tennessee is the nation's largest natural-habitat refuge developed specifically around the needs of Asian and African elephants retired from performance and exhibition. It operates on 2,700 acres in Hohenwald, Tenn. – 85 miles southwest of Nashville.

#### **With Your Support, The Elephant Sanctuary:**

- Provides captive elephants with individualized care, the companionship of a herd, and the opportunity to live out their lives in a safe haven dedicated to their wellbeing;
- Raises public awareness of the complex needs of elephants in captivity, and the crisis facing elephants in the wild.

**As an accredited sanctuary, the habitat where the elephants live is not open to the public.**

To learn more about  
The Elephant Sanctuary  
and its resident elephants,  
connect with us online at  
**[elephants.com](http://elephants.com)**

## Dear Friends,

The Elephant Sanctuary's Board, staff and supporters have long recognized education as vital to creating change and improved lives for elephants in captivity and in the wild.

While the elephants' habitats remain closed to the public, expanding public awareness about elephants' intelligence and complex needs is a cornerstone of The Sanctuary's mission. More than 5,000 students in 10 countries have been introduced to the world of elephants this year through our Distance Learning Program. On August 12, World Elephant Day, we are thrilled to invite the public to join us in celebrating the opening of our new Outdoor Classroom in Hohenwald, Tennessee, which is dedicated to the welfare and conservation of elephants around the globe. Long-distance friends and supporters can join us via social media—look for Instagram live updates throughout the day.

Summer celebrations continue with the 69th birthday of our much loved Shirley and her 18th year at The Sanctuary. This issue of *Trunklines* also notes special memorial tributes to Winkie, who arrived here in 2000 after 30 years on exhibit. She soon developed a close bond with another Asian elephant, Sissy. We mark Winkie's passing in May and celebrate her 17 years of freedom and companionship at The Elephant Sanctuary.

We invite you to enjoy this issue of *Trunklines*, and share the stories you read with friends and family. Let them know how they can make a difference by speaking out for those elephants in need of retirement. Big things happen when people sign petitions, reach out to their elected representatives, and choose entertainment and ecotourism options that don't exploit wild animals. We applaud the recent action by New York City Council banning exotic animals in circuses. New York City adds to the 125 localities in 34 states adopting bans impacting elephants in performance.

Thank you for partnering with us and making sanctuary possible every day for Flora, Tange, Sukari, Sissy, Tarra, Shirley, Billie, Minnie, Ronnie and Debbie.

Thank you!



**Janice Zeitlin, CEO**

**Join Us, Become a Member—Help Change the Lives of Elephants!**





FLORA, TANGE, SUKARI

## African Habitat & Barn

While The Sanctuary's maintenance team stays busy digging and maintaining wallows throughout the elephants' habitats—the Africans do their fair share of work digging their own as well. **Tange** has been observed using her tusks and feet to loosen dirt from the ground, then tossing it on her back for good measure. Dirt and mud protect an elephant's skin from bugs and the sun's harmful UV rays—plus it helps keep elephants cool. During spring and summer months, Care Staff offer hose baths to Tange, **Sukari** and **Flora**. Baths also help keep the elephants cool, but don't do much to keep them clean, as a fresh coat of mud appears irresistible.

It was a stormy spring in Tennessee. One particularly strong storm knocked down several trees in The Sanctuary's Africa Habitat, which have since been repurposed as entertainment and enrichment for the elephants. Flora continues to down trees on her own as well, a natural elephant behavior often observed in the wild.

Tange, Flora, and Sukari are spending more time together in the same habitat space, and have even begun sharing space overnight. Prior to sharing space as a trio, Sukari spent time



TANGE

with both Tange and Flora individually. The dynamic didn't seem to change much with all of them together. The first time all three shared space, each elephant stuck to herself and grazed peacefully throughout the morning, however in the later afternoon, all three were observed grazing together. Africa Care Staff have also begun to open up the gates between the habitats, giving Flora, Sukari, and Tange free range over Africa Habitat's 114-fenced acres. This space allows the elephants the freedom to choose where and with whom to spend their time, which is critical to the development of bonded relationships between



non-related elephants living together at The Sanctuary.

The Sanctuary family held a memorial service for Rosie and Hadari this spring, dedicating plaques, and planting a rose bush and sugar gum tree in their honor. Rosie's memorial stone was placed on her grave on South Hill and Hadari's stone was placed in North Yard. Since then, Sukari, Tange, and Flora have been observed visiting the graves. Tange and Sukari spent a considerable amount of time with Rosie's stone one recent afternoon—and Sukari has also been observed touching it with her trunk.



Excerpt from:

## The Zookeeper's Notebook

by permission of author **Ronald Tobias**,  
friend of The Sanctuary and author of *Behemoth*

She maps every fissure, every gorge, and every river  
that runs to the sea; she's a record of memory  
before time under African acacia;

she is the flight of a thousand cranes, the rumble  
of millions across the savanna; she is grass,  
curving in the wind.

She walks in the uncharted scrub of the plains,  
in the stifling green of equatorial forests, and  
on the shores of turquoise seas,

staring at a horizon no one else can see,  
a poor pilgrim of sorrow, her rosary  
wrapped around her wrist,

who remembers the chime of temple bells,  
the sweetness of cardamom and pepper,  
and a child scuffling around her legs  
and she lofts her trunk to recite the names of  
mothers and brothers, sisters and aunts,  
matriarchs and patriarchs

in the land of lotus and willow, where  
baboons still bark at the sun and  
behemoths wander a continent.



**African Elephant**  
*Loxodonta Africana*





SHIRLEY &amp; TARRA

## Asian Habitat & Barn

This spring, **Tarra** and **Shirley** took a special interest in the lush green grass lining Asia Habitat's pond—spending time there together, and eating their fair share on their way to and from their breakfast left in the habitat by Caregivers.

With Asia Habitat's 25-acre lake off-limits to the elephants to prepare for dam maintenance, Shirley and Tarra have been exploring North and Pond yards together, taking advantage of the mud wallow most days. During a recent downpour, with Shirley by her side, Tarra was observed bending down and pressing her trunk into the bank of the wallow, then rubbing it back and forth. Shirley has also been seen swimming in the pond, rolling around and throwing water with her trunk. After a recent swim, EleCam viewers watched Shirley get a good body scratch against one of the pine trees that line the pond in her habitat.

Even with restricted habitat access, there's always something new to discover at The Sanctuary. Tarra was recently spotted exploring a steep valley deep in the woods in Asia's North Habitat—an area she hasn't been known to explore before. With a reputation to uphold as The Sanctuary's most traveled

elephant, Shirley was spotted exploring the same location just a few days later.

Shirley celebrated her 69th birthday on July 6 and continues to inspire people the world over, holding an esteemed position as the third oldest Asian elephant in North America. Though she often travels miles in a day, most afternoons, Shirley finds time for a nap on the sand pile in North Yard. Care Staff report it's not uncommon to see Shirley eat a meal while covered head to toe in white sand.



SISSY



The Sanctuary is still deeply feeling the loss of Sissy's closest companion Winkie. Now 49, **Sissy** retired to The Sanctuary in 2000 from the El Paso Zoo in Texas. Sissy arrived just a few months before Winkie. Both elephants came to The Sanctuary with a reputation of being anti-social and unable to get along well with other elephants, but they seemed to be a perfect fit for one another—spending nearly all their time together exploring the Asia Habitat.

Sissy has spent the summer fully exploring Asia's eight-acre South Habitat. In the wild, the daily search for food, water, and other needs provide elephants with all the environmental interactions they require. We encourage the elephants at The Sanctuary to utilize the environment in the same way, but also create additional opportunities to engage the elephants' senses, challenge their problem-solving capabilities, and promote mental and physical health.

Produce scatters, hay cages stuffed with goodies, and hanging feeders kept Sissy busy in South Habitat. Most often, she was observed engaging with a large hanging street sweeper brush as well as 'donuts,' large, hollow hoops stuffed with food items, suspended from the fencing in her habitat. Although hanging items have been challenging for Sissy in the past due to her trunk paralysis (records indicate that this may be due to a dental procedure earlier in her life), Caregivers have been impressed with her continued efforts and engagement with this type of enrichment, which has proven to be great exercise.

Lately, Sissy has been heard softly vocalizing in the mornings, making sounds that Care Staff describe as strikingly similar to the "Oooh" noises that Winkie used to make when she was excited.

Sissy began treatment for exposure to tuberculosis this spring alongside Winkie, and following Winkie's passing, further testing confirmed an active case of tuberculosis.

In early July, the decision was made to move Sissy from Asia Habitat to Quarantine Habitat, which was specifically established for the management, care, and enrichment of elephants in treatment for tuberculosis. On July 11, Sissy

joined four other elephants in Quarantine, Billie, Minnie, Ronnie, and Debbie, all of whom were exposed to TB prior to their arrival at The Sanctuary.

Sissy's treatment will continue in Quarantine Habitat where she is being monitored closely by The Sanctuary Veterinary Team. Caregivers report that Sissy has a great appetite, continues to actively interact with daily enrichment, and regularly greets staff with joyful trunk popping noises.







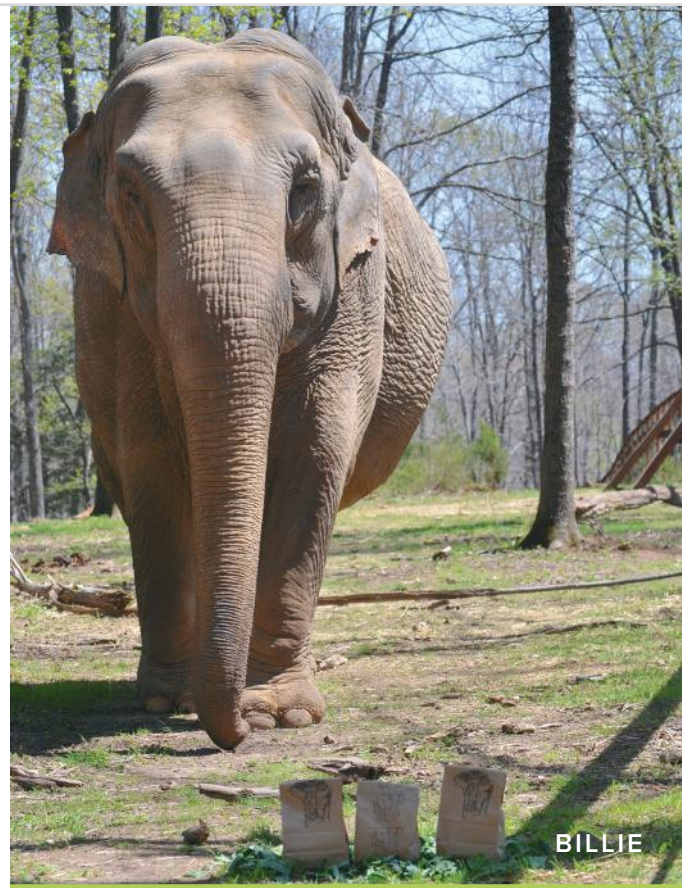
RONNIE &amp; MINNIE

## Q Barn & Habitat

Reinforced fencing in the Night Yard extension—a 52.5-acre habitat area, which only **Billie** had access to previously—has allowed **Minnie**, **Debbie**, and **Ronnie** to explore new land, including South Pond, and has created more options for managing the elephants and more opportunities for them to socialize. Minnie's first time in the extension, she and Ronnie walked directly to a small mud wallow, laid down and rolled in the mud—trumpeting the whole time.

Billie has been exploring Phase I Habitat and the buffer—now called “Billie’s Buffer”—seeking out forested areas that shade her from the summer sun. Billie has also continued to spend more time with Ronnie, even staying together overnight. Caregivers say that Billie has been very brave, and appears calm around Ronnie. The two recently received a cooperative hose bath from Caregivers and took turns opening their mouths for drinks. Care Staff are hopeful that relationship will continue to blossom in time.

Sunny mornings and rainy afternoons led to rapid grass growth in Quarantine Habitat, perfect for grazing. Billie, Minnie, Ronnie, and Debbie are active eaters—consuming



BILLIE





the grasses that grow naturally in their Sanctuary habitat, as well as enjoying daily supplements and treats provided to them by Caregivers. In celebration of The Sanctuary's local hockey team, The Nashville Predators, advancing to the Stanley Cup finals to compete against the Pittsburgh Penguins, Caregivers created a special treat for the elephants. Watermelons painted like penguins were strategically placed through the habitat for the elephants to discover, "smash," and eat. This particular enrichment entertained elephants and Caregivers alike.

EleCam viewers may have noticed that Maintenance staff have recently created new trails in the Quarantine Habitat. These serve as paths for Ronnie who is experiencing springtime allergies. The new trails allow Ronnie to walk through the habitat without stepping on the grass, which contains allergens. Veterinary staff also provide her with allergy medications, which have helped tremendously.

As it is every summer, water recreation seems to be a favorite pastime for the elephants.

Debbie has been spending time at the pond every chance she gets. She has been seen wading in the water eating shrubs and trees along the outside of the pond, splashing water with her trunk, throwing a big log around and dunking her whole body underneath the water.

A recent afternoon shower got the elephants, especially Debbie, very excited. She was observed running in circles, kicking her legs, and using her trunk to engage emphatically with enrichment attached to the fence line. Ronnie and Minnie enjoyed the after effects of the shower—a good mud pile to lay down and roll around in.

## WISH LIST

The Sanctuary maintains an ever-changing Wish List to meet the needs of the elephants in our care. You can help by underwriting a specific item.

### ELEPHANT CARE

Vitamin E Emcelle Tocopherol,  
Liquid

Cosequin Equine Powder w/MSM  
Probiotics Gel

Botanica Wash & Cream

Allergy Shots for Ronnie

Absorbine Veterinary Liniment

### ONGOING NEEDS

Seventh Generation Laundry  
Detergent

Nolvasan Solution

Gatorade

Tractor Supply Gift Cards

ATV Tires

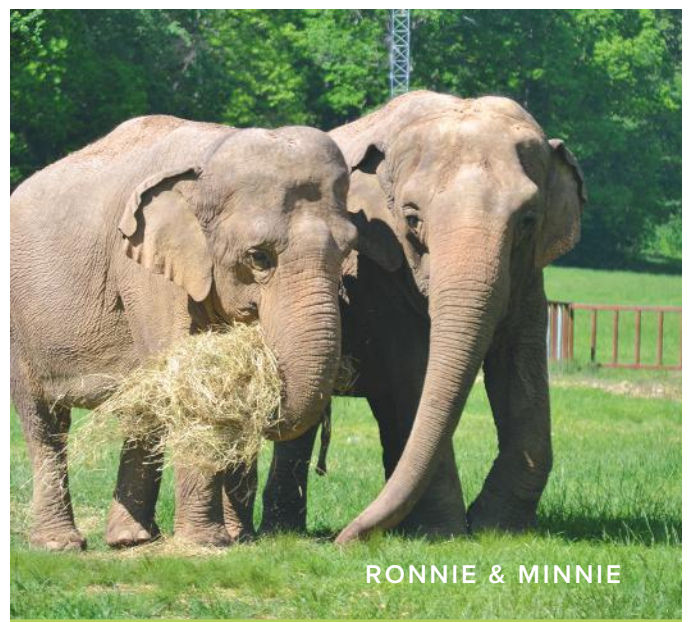
### SPECIAL REQUESTS

Nikon D500 Camera & Lens Kit (Need 2)

For details on current items including total costs, go to [www.elephants.com](http://www.elephants.com) and select "Wish List" or contact Lorenda at [lorenda@elephants.com](mailto:lorenda@elephants.com) (email); 931-796-6500 ex. 105 (phone).



DEBBIE



RONNIE & MINNIE





## Summer Appeal

**During the past two decades,** we have seen first-hand the chronic health and behavioral issues elephants can experience due to captivity. At The Elephant Sanctuary, diagnosis and treatment of a wide range of physical ailments like kidney disease, anemia, osteoarthritis, obesity, foot abscesses and tuberculosis is imperative and never ending.

**With your help,** we are working to provide a safe haven where elephants can retire with dignity, roam free in a natural habitat, and receive a lifetime of care. While The Elephant Sanctuary is not open to the public, education about the complex needs of elephants in captivity and the crisis facing elephants in the wild is an important part of our mission. Through outreach, education and EleCams, we are changing perspectives; and new perspectives can lead to better outcomes for these exceptional animals.



**Because of you** — Shirley, the third oldest Asian elephant in North America, can participate in her own health care despite physical limitations. To accommodate a decades-old leg injury that never healed properly, Sanctuary Staff designed a custom-made training wall with adjustable footrests for pedi-care and special treatments. Shirley continues to serve as an inspiration as we celebrate her 69th birthday and 18th year at The Sanctuary!



**Because of you** — Billie's health and socialization have improved during her 11 years at The Sanctuary. Billie is able to sleep deeply now, thanks to the addition of sand piles, and she has the space she needs to build relationships at her own pace. Once considered a fearful and aggressive elephant, Billie now touches Ronnie's trunk, mouth and face and often makes chirping sounds when they are together.



**And because of you** — Sukari was able to retire to The Sanctuary after 30 years on exhibit. In the past year and a half, Sukari has grown confident navigating an expanded 114-acre habitat, has begun forming relationships with Flora and Tange, and now makes her own choices—on elephant time.

**What does it take to make all of this possible?** It takes highly skilled **Caregivers** to help deliver care to an elephant in need. It takes **Veterinarians** with capabilities for advanced diagnostics for aging elephants. It takes a **Facilities Team** to maintain a safe, secure environment and construct solutions for special needs. And it takes all of these working together to shepherd a magnificent elephant through the years from independent living through assisted living, to skilled nursing or hospice care.

### Most of all, it takes YOU.

- Your gift allows The Sanctuary to build more facilities to meet the needs of our aging elephants.
- Your gift helps feed Sukari, Tange, Flora, Shirley, Tarra, Sissy, Debbie, Ronnie, Minnie and Billie.
- Your gift enables The Elephant Sanctuary to promote the option of retirement for those captive elephants in need of safe haven and lifetime care.

The Elephant Sanctuary is the largest facility of its kind in North America, providing refuge for elephants exclusively. **Thank you for joining us in this important work. With your help, we can ensure The Elephant Sanctuary will be here for their lifetime.**



TARRA, WINKIE, SISSY

## Remembering Winkie

### Before The Sanctuary

Winkie was born in Myanmar in 1966. When she was still a calf, she was captured and sold into the exotic animal trade, which took her to the Henry Vilas Zoo in Madison, WI where she lived for more than 30 years.

### At The Sanctuary

In September 2000, Winkie became The Sanctuary's 7th resident, arriving just a few months after Sissy. Both elephants came to The Sanctuary with a reputation of being anti-social and unable to get along well with other elephants, but the two became fast friends and spent nearly all their time together at The Sanctuary.

In 2006, Winkie was involved in an incident at The Sanctuary that resulted in the death of a Caregiver. While it isn't known exactly what triggered the incident, the tragedy made

clear the unpredictable and complex nature of elephants. Following the incident, The Sanctuary converted to Protected Contact (PC) management. This means that there is always a physical barrier between human and elephant, when interaction is necessary. Winkie transitioned well to Protected Contact management—benefitting from the security that a physical barrier and positive reinforcement can bring to the elephants.

This past year, Sissy and Winkie split most of their time between Asia Habitat's new Warming Hut and "2nd Pipeline." Caregivers observed them expressing excitement in the early mornings before feeding, with Sissy making her signature trunk popping noises, and Winkie attempting to mimic Sissy. At the beginning of fall, Tarra chose to join Winkie and Sissy on many of their adventures to the Warming Hut, where Winkie often stashed rocks and fruit peels. Caregivers enjoyed watching Winkie peel an orange before eating it, when given the fruit as a reward or treat.

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Rest in peace dear, sweet, beautiful Winkie. I am so happy you had a wonderful home for your last 17 years and a very special friend in Sissy. My thoughts, prayers and condolences to not only your elephant family, but to your loving and dedicated caregivers. You are loved and you will be missed.”

**Susan C.** // Sanctuary Supporter

Thank you for giving Winkie a beautiful retirement and treating her with the dignity and respect every captive elephant deserves.”

**Molly N.** // Sanctuary Supporter







## Saying Goodbye

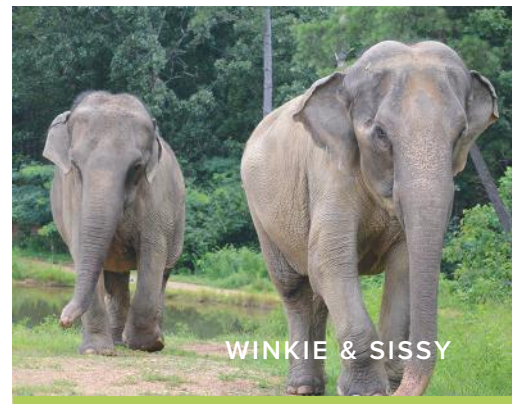
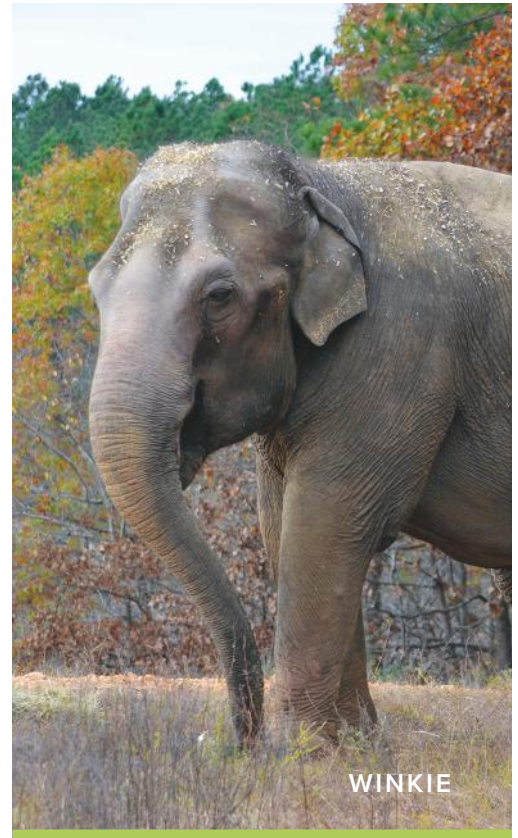
As reported earlier this year, Winkie began to show signs of several chronic, progressive health conditions common to aging, captive elephants, including kidney disease, anemia, osteoarthritis, foot abscesses, and known exposure to tuberculosis. She also tested positive for several severe food allergies.

In February, Winkie's routine serology screening showed an increased reactivity indicating a potential change in disease status. Protocols were immediately implemented in order to protect other elephants as well as human Caregivers. The last week of April 2017, active tuberculosis infection in Winkie was confirmed via a positive trunk wash culture submitted to an outside laboratory.

Additional blood and urine tests also confirmed progressive kidney disease. Medications were added to stimulate her appetite and maintain her overall comfort. Care staff increased oral fluid therapy with water and electrolyte enhanced water and offers of bananas and onions, new favorites of Winkie's.

The progression of Winkie's chronic conditions rapidly led to signs of increasing weakness and discomfort. Veterinary and Husbandry staff worked around the clock to update her diet and medication regimen to manage pain and discomfort associated with a decrease in kidney function, however, there continued to be a visible decline in her overall health and quality of life. The decision was then made to humanely euthanize—Winkie passed peacefully on May 11, 2017 surrounded by those who cared for and loved her. Sissy was given an opportunity to visit her body.

As is customary for all elephants who pass away at The Elephant Sanctuary, a necropsy was performed. Dr. Nicole Gottdenker, along with her team from the University of Georgia College of Veterinary Medicine Department of Pathology joined The Sanctuary's Veterinarians, Dr. Steven Scott and Dr. Lydia Young to perform the necropsy. "Preliminary findings in Winkie's necropsy indicate her rapid decline was due to progressive and irreversible renal disease, compounded by other chronic, progressive conditions," reported Dr. Steve Scott, DVM, Director of Veterinary Care at The Elephant Sanctuary. Necropsy findings help inform the care and treatment of elephants in captivity. A final necropsy report is pending.



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The loss of Winkie is deeply felt by her Sanctuary family. We are honored to have had the opportunity to care for Winkie for 17 years and provide her final home. Winkie's continued transformation at The Sanctuary into a more social elephant is a testament to the incredible resiliency of captive animals when they're given freedom of choice, the companionship of other elephants, and an expansive natural habitat to explore.”

**Janice Zeitlin // CEO**

Winkie was one of the most affectionate, playful, and silly elephants I have had the privilege of getting to know,” said Kaitlin S., Asia Habitat's Lead Caregiver. “She loved her herd-mate Sissy more than anything in the world, always standing near her while she napped, running to her side if she ever got excited or upset, swimming with her in the pond, and grazing with her wherever she went in the habitat. Winkie will forever hold a very special place in my heart and will be greatly missed by all who knew her.”

**Kaitlin S. // Asia Habitat Lead Caregiver**



## Have you Herd?

### The Elephant Discovery Center's Outdoor Classroom is Open in Hohenwald, Tennessee.

Summer visitors to the Elephant Discovery Center's Outdoor Classroom are invited to take a self-guided tour to learn about the role of elephants as keystone species in their native habitats, ongoing conservation efforts to protect them, and the features and behaviors unique to their species. In keeping with The Sanctuary's commitment to sustainability, the Outdoor Classroom features a 3,500-gallon rainwater irrigation cistern and the landscaping features plants that are local to Middle Tennessee.

**The Sanctuary's staff invite the public to join us in celebrating the world of elephants at the new Outdoor Classroom on World Elephant Day, **Saturday, August 12** with special programs at **11 a.m.** and **1:30 p.m.****

This celebration will be an opportunity for friends and families to meet and interact with The Sanctuary's elephant Caregivers and help Staff make special enrichment treats for the elephants while touring the outdoor exhibits and newest addition to The Sanctuary's education programs. As the elephants at The Sanctuary are retired from public exhibition, **there will be no elephants at the Outdoor Classroom.**

*First recognized in 2012, World Elephant Day is a global effort to raise awareness about the issues facing elephants in the wild and in captivity. To see a full list of World Elephant Day events taking place around the world, visit [www.worlddelephantday.org](http://www.worlddelephantday.org)*

For more information about The Outdoor Classroom and the plans for The Elephant Discovery Center, please visit [www.elephants.com/discovery-center](http://www.elephants.com/discovery-center) or call (931)-796-6500.





## Supporter Spotlight

A Kindergarten class at **Braelinn Elementary** in Peachtree City, Georgia made it their mission to raise money to feed **Shirley** after their teacher, Taylor Clark, found Shirley's story on Youtube and shared it with her class. Ms. Clark says she and her students regularly tune into the EleCams to observe the elephants' natural behaviors. As a "Leader in Me" school, Braelinn Elementary imparts leadership qualities to their students. Ms. Clark teaches her students that leaders must be kind to others. She turned this motto into action by suggesting her students donate their ice cream money (75 cents) to purchase a treat for their favorite elephant, Shirley. The students jumped at the opportunity, and within a week had collected more than \$20. Most of the students also chose to donate money from their piggy banks to supplement their ice cream funds. Thank you to Ms. Clark's Kindergarten Class at Braelinn Elementary for leading by example through generosity and kindness.



### Lead the Herd— Take Action for Elephants

At The Sanctuary, we believe it is possible to learn about elephants, to appreciate them and value them, without forcing them to perform or disturbing their day-to-day lives and natural activities. Elephants are highly intelligent and social creatures whose needs cannot be fully met in captivity. The time to act on behalf of elephants is now.

- If you're an educator, visit [www.elephants.com](http://www.elephants.com) to schedule a Distance Learning program with The Elephant Sanctuary to inform students about the importance of keeping elephants wild, and their contributions as a keystone species.
- Find out where your city stands on animals in performance and then...
  - Ask your local officials to prevent permits to shows traveling with wild/exotic animals
  - Express your support for bills that protect wild/exotic animals
  - Request animal-free performances in your area

## Summer Reading

**Have a young reader at home for the summer?  
Try these recommendations!**

### PreK-Early Elementary

- *A Baby Elephant in the Wild* by Caitlin O'Connell
- *Me...Jane* by Patrick McDowell
- *Tembo Takes Charge* by Thea Feldman
- *Once Upon an Elephant* by Linda Stanek

### Elementary and Older

- *Eyewitness Elephant* by Ian Redmond
- *The Elephant Scientist* by Caitlin O'Connell
- *My Backyard Elephant* by Jason Derry
- *The One and Only Ivan* by Katherine Applegate



TANGE

## Adopt & Feed

### Sustain The Sanctuary

Become a Sustaining Member and your monthly gifts will support best care for The Sanctuary's resident elephants, as well as support educational programming to ensure elephants survive for generations to come.

Become a **Sustaining Member** and your monthly investment will ensure a forever home and care for Shirley, Tarra, Sissy, Flora, Tange, Sukari, Debbie, Minnie, Ronnie and Billie—as well as those elephants to come.

### Adopt an Elephant

The Elephant Sanctuary in Tennessee is home to 10 elephants, all retired from exhibition and performance. By adopting one (or more) of these elephants, you become a partner in The Sanctuary's efforts to provide them the gift of herd, home, rest, refuge, and individualized care for life.

#### At the \$50 level, you receive:

- Certificate of "Adoption," with a photo and bio detailing the amazing story of your "adoptee."
- A one-year subscription to The Sanctuary's tri-annual newsletter, *Trunklines*.

### Feed for a Day

Each of The Sanctuary's resident elephants consumes, on average, approximately 150 lbs of food each day. The elephants forage naturally in the habitat, and The Sanctuary staff also provides additional food and supplements to make sure nutritional needs are met. Every elephant has her favorite food. Shirley loves bananas. Debbie likes plain hay. \$40 feeds one elephant for a day (\$400 feeds all 10 elephants for a day).

#### For your gift, you receive:

- A Feed for a Day photo card with information about the elephants' diets.
- A one-year subscription to The Sanctuary's tri-annual newsletter, *Trunklines*.

"In Honor" and "In Memory" gifts are a great way to recognize a special person or pet. If you choose to make an "In Honor" gift, the person you designate will receive an "In Honor" certificate informing them a gift has been made in their name. If the recipient is a new member to The Elephant Sanctuary, they will also receive the latest copy of *Trunklines*. If you make an "In Memory" gift, the designated family will receive a letter informing them of your donation.





## Elephant Sanctuary Merchandise

Find all your Elephant Sanctuary merchandise at [elephants.com](http://elephants.com), or place your order using the enclosed order form and envelope.



\$34.95

## The Elephant Sanctuary Klean Kanteen

This durable, double-wall construction 20 oz bottle keeps contents hot or cold for hours. Co-branded with Klean Kanteen, compatible with most backcountry water filters, and fits in most cup holders. A wide (54mm) opening fits ice, and is easy to fill and pour. Doesn't retain or impart flavors.



\$24.95

## Flora T-Shirt

SM, MED, LG, XL, XXL, XXXL

Made from 100% soft-spun cotton, this poppy-colored unisex T-shirt features African elephant Flora, and is a summer essential. The Elephant Sanctuary logo is printed on the back.

Color: Poppy



\$24.95

## Tange T-Shirt

SM, MED, LG, XL, XXL, XXXL

Made from 100% soft-spun cotton. Tange's image is printed on this denim blue unisex Tee. The Elephant Sanctuary logo is printed on the back.

Color: Denim



\$24.95

## Shirley T-Shirt

Shirley T-Shirt

SM, MED, LG, XL, XXL, XXXL

Shirley's image is printed on the front of this unisex Port & Company T-shirt. Incredibly soft, with a worn-in vintage look, this 100% pigment-dyed, ring spun cotton shirt includes The Sanctuary's logo on the back.

Color: Light Blue



\$24.95

## Tarra T-Shirt

SM, MED, LG, XL, XXL, XXXL

Made from 100% soft-spun cotton, this worn-in vintage unisex T-shirt features Asian elephant Tarra. The Elephant Sanctuary logo is printed on the back.

Color: Red Rock



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## Billie T-Shirt

SM, MED, LG, XL, XXL, XXXL

This essential Tee features Billie's image on the front and The Elephant Sanctuary logo on the back.

Color: Forest Green



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## Sukari T-Shirt

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Sukari's image is printed on the front of this unisex Port & Company T-shirt. Incredibly soft, with a worn-in vintage look, this shirt includes The Sanctuary's logo on the back.

Color: Walnut



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Made by Gildan from 100% cotton, this coal-colored logo T-shirt features The Sanctuary's rebranded logo on the left chest in white, and the website on the back.

Color: Coal



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