

TRUNK LINES

FALL 2022

 **THE ELEPHANT
SANCTUARY**
IN TENNESSEE™



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Inside The Sanctuary

As summer turns to autumn in Tennessee, the elephants at The Sanctuary welcome foggy mornings and cooling weather by choosing to spend extra time exploring, grazing, and socializing. At Asia Habitat, **Sissy** and **Nosey** were seen greeting one another — Nosey offering her version of a hug by wrapping her trunk around Sissy's leg and Sissy popping her trunk in excitement. This has become a usual sighting for Care Staff, who are delighted about the growing relationship between the two herd mates.

There has been a lot of excitement this fall for **Flora**, **Sukari**, and **Tange**, who helped welcome our international guests Fred and Ijam, wildlife rangers from Lok Kawi Wildlife Park in Sabah, Malaysia. The three African elephants provided them with lots of inspiration as Fred and Ijam spent four weeks observing and working with The Sanctuary Staff to learn about our training and Protected Contact practices and to help create engaging enrichment items for the season ahead.

The Sanctuary is not only getting ready for the cool winter months by prepping the heated barns with extra enrichment to keep the elephants active, but also gearing up for the incredible growth to come in the new year with the addition of three new elephant residents. As we embrace the future of our herd, we are reminded that it is all thanks to our supporters who make it possible for us to provide our current elephants and those to come with social opportunities, ample room to roam, and individual care for life.

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More updates from The Elephant Sanctuary are included in this new fall issue of *Trunklines*.



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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 3,060 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.

LETTER FROM OUR CEO

Dear Friends,

This year, 2022, has proven to be filled with many new opportunities, some big changes, and much to celebrate. On August 12th, World Elephant Day, The Sanctuary had the honor of hosting The U.S. Postal Service for the First Day of Issue Dedication Ceremony, unveiling the newest Forever Stamp titled *Elephants* and recognizing the complexities and importance of this keystone species. The event was one of the largest held at The Elephant Discovery Center in downtown Hohenwald, Tennessee. We welcomed over 250 guests which included several special guest speakers and community members, along with elephant supporters and philatelists (stamp collectors) from across the country.

Just weeks after World Elephant Day came **exciting news** with an announcement from our Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA) colleagues at Zoo Knoxville regarding plans for their three African elephants, Edie, Jana, and Tonka, to come to The Sanctuary. You can read all about this exciting news in this fall issue of *Trunklines*! We look forward to updating all our supporters as we continue to make plans to welcome the future resident elephants, including our first bull elephant in 2023. The elephants will be The Sanctuary's 29th, 30th, and 31st residents.

This fall, thanks to our global partners, we have welcomed international visitors with special interest and/or expertise in elephant care and protected contact management to The Sanctuary to meet staff, share knowledge, and discuss the challenges for elephants both in captivity and in the wild. Members of our staff also joined partners in the field in Namibia and in Malaysia to assist in areas of elephant conservation and improving captive elephant welfare. **Gaining new knowledge** and sharing these experiences broadens our ability to advance elephant care for our nine residents and to help others in their work to create a better world for elephants around the globe.

We want to thank our staff, board members, and many supporters for making this all possible! Because of your generosity, our elephants continue to have access to individualized care and the opportunity to live among other elephants in a natural habitat dedicated to them. As 2022 closes, we celebrate and honor all the achievements and the elephants who call The Sanctuary home and look forward to welcoming those to come.



Janice Zeitlin, CEO



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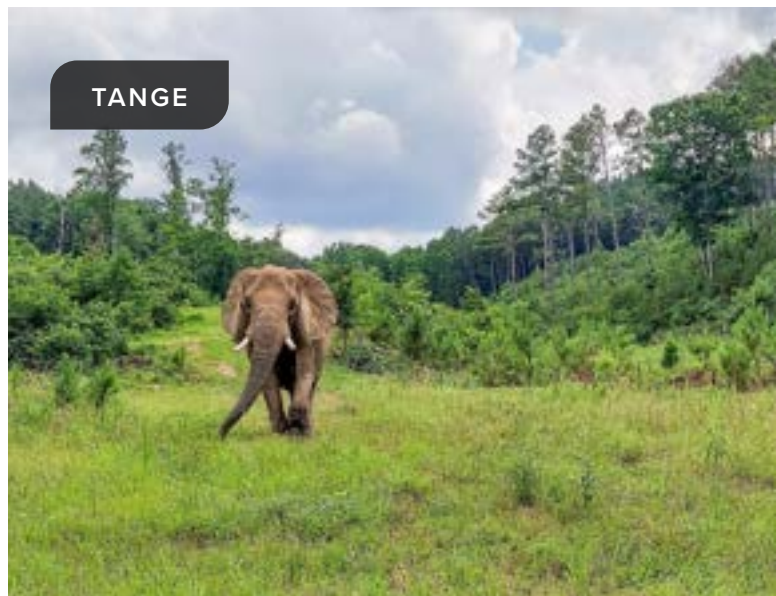
FLORA

» Africa Habitat & Barn

Autumn is finally here after a long humid summer, and the elephants of Africa Habitat and Barn have been enjoying a few weeks of cooler weather. **Flora** has been busy doing what she does best, knocking over large trees in East Valley, while **Tange** and **Sukari** have been soaking up rays and indulging in the grasses at South Yard. Though they have access to their entire vast habitat, the two have been delightfully intrigued by the rolling hills, quaint valleys, and barn views South Yard provides.

Earlier this season, through working with our international partners, Wild Welfare, The Sanctuary was excited to welcome JoeFred Lansou (Fred) and Ruhaizama Ruslan (Ijam) from Malaysia to Tennessee. They traveled all the way from Lok Kawi Wildlife Park in Sabah, Malaysia to The Sanctuary to learn about using Protected Contact and Operant Conditioning. Fred and Ijam are experienced wildlife rangers for the Sabah Wildlife Department and elephant keepers at Lok Kawi Wildlife Park in Penampang. They spent four weeks at The Sanctuary observing our elephant care practices, elephant training and foot care, and learning to participate in tasks needed around each barn safely. Staff demonstrated how Caregivers work closely with the Veterinary Team to develop individualized care plans and how the elephants participate in their care at the training wall. In addition, they had an opportunity to learn how, by using soft bamboo target poles, vocal cues, and favored snacks, the elephants are taught to present their feet, ears, tusks, and bodies for inspection and care. “We have never seen an African elephant before, and we were surprised how easy they are willing to train and how smart they are,” said Fred. »

TANGE



FRED & IJAM AT THE SANCTUARY






It was no surprise to Caregivers that Flora has not been shy around our international guests. She was said to have inspired Fred, Ijam, and Care Staff as she spent time with the Vet Team, fully participating in her tusk radiographs. Tange also had an opportunity to show her growing confidence as she practiced in preparation for her upcoming eye exam. Sukari (which means “sugar” in Swahili) continued to be just as sweet as her name suggests, standing patiently for footwork and foot care mentoring sessions. All three elephants led by example and did very well participating in their own healthcare for both Fred and Ijam to witness. It has been a pleasure working with our international guests, and we applaud their dedication to promoting good welfare for elephants around the world!

SUKARI, TANGE, & FLORA



SUKARI & TANGE





BILLIE

» Q Habitat & Barn

Earlier this year, in celebration of World Elephant Day, The Elephant Sanctuary was honored to host The U.S. Postal Service for the First Day of Issue Dedication Ceremony, unveiling the Forever Stamp titled *Elephants*. And while it was the largest public event held to date at The Sanctuary's Discovery Center in downtown Hohenwald, Care Staff made sure to carry the celebrations of the day out to all the elephants at The Sanctuary! At Q, **Billie** received a hay ball globe made of bamboo, sweet potato slices, and peanut butter. The creative Care Staff and interns even crafted The Sanctuary's logo out of apple slices! Billie took her time to join the party after a day full of exploring, but she picked up her pace once she saw the treats awaiting. **Minnie, Ronnie, and Debbie** indulged in vegan banana cake and melons decorated as globes with blended beets. Afterward, exhibiting curiosity and a quickened pace, Minnie and Ronnie were seen going for a swim in Minnie's Pond, then joined Debbie for some grazing in Frieda's Field, an area they do not often adventure into. Billie chose to continue exploring much of the habitat all in one day, taking in the beautiful weather that Tennessee provided for them!

Now that summer is coming to an end, and the elephants at Q Habitat are spending less time splashing in the ponds or partaking in hose baths, it's time for The Sanctuary Staff to prepare for winter. As our international guest interns, Fred and Ijam from Lok Kawi Wildlife Park in Sabah, Malaysia toured our facilities, observing vet rounds and training, they also helped build elephant enrichment for the barns, like hay nets out of rope, and utilized recycled items like tires and fire hose. New enrichment objects play an especially »



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important role in cooler months when the elephants spend less time out in their habitat, choosing instead to stick closer to the warm barns.

Enrichment items do target specific needs for each individual elephant, from increasing movement to prolonging foraging, but they can sometimes be used just for fun! Recently, a bubble machine was set up in the barn for Billie and Minnie, and both elephants reached their trunks towards the bubbles curiously. Minnie got a bubble inside of her nose and blew loudly when it popped. She was also seen interacting with a giant donated red Boomer ball and rolling it under her belly. There is never a dull moment for the elephants of Q Habitat and Barn!

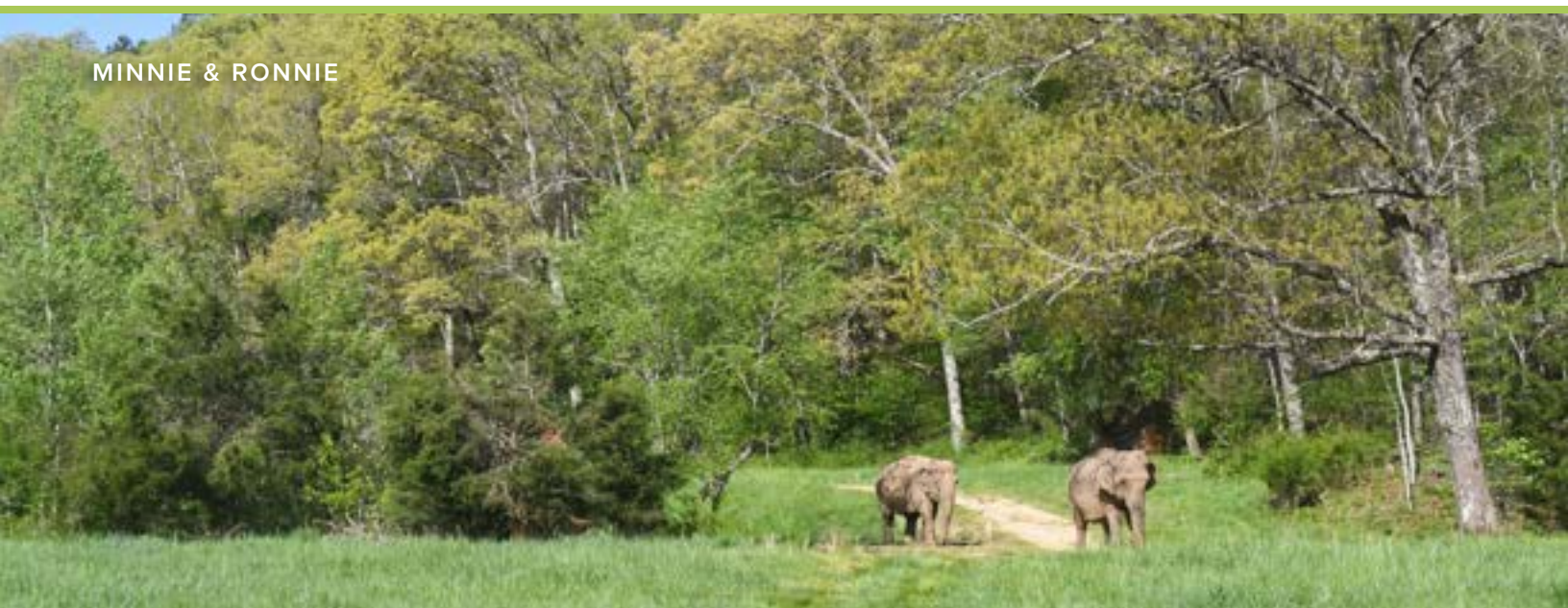
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RONNIE



MINNIE & RONNIE





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» Asia Habitat & Barn

Cooler weather may be upon us, but the elephants at Asia Habitat are still taking full advantage of the warm Tennessee autumn days.

Sissy continues to partake in hose baths as she did all summer long. Recently, Care Staff watched as Sissy confidently chose to walk into a firehose bath at full blast, ensuring water reached all sides, then opened her mouth wide to enjoy a refreshing drink of water. Of course, she did not hesitate to roll in the mud immediately after. Meanwhile, **Nosey**, who has seemingly decided to take a break from the usual hose bath for the fall season, still thoroughly enjoys the deliciously cold and sweet popsicles Caregivers make for each of the elephants at Asia!

Thanks to the Facilities Team, who made some necessary updates to the fencing in the Sleepy Spot area of the habitat, Sissy was able to return after several weeks away! When she found it was accessible again, she exhibited lots of trunk pops, rumbles, and making noise with the gate. This gave the Facilities crew an opportunity to witness how much their work mattered to Sissy, as it does to all the elephants at The Sanctuary. Sleepy Spot was an often-used area for Shirley in years past, and Care Staff are delighted to see Sissy making use of it now too.

The Sanctuary Staff and EleCam watchers have enjoyed watching Sissy and Nosey's blossoming relationship and witness the pair interacting over their protected fence line on several occasions each week. The two seem to always have affiliative and noisy interactions when they greet each other, with Sissy trumpeting loudly, lots of exciting rumbles, and Nosey being as tactile as Sissy allows. »





As our supporters know, it has been a long-time priority of The Sanctuary to create opportunities for Nosey to interact physically with other elephants. Thanks to a roundtable of expert medical and veterinary consultants, we are happy to report that after reviewing testing and health records with The Sanctuary's Vet Team, the unanimous recommendation is to allow Nosey to be integrated with those she is socially compatible with. As a result, we are excited about the future introduction of additional elephants to Asia Barn & Habitat, which has nine stalls and vast habitat acreage, providing ample space needed for the comfortability of a growing herd.

SISSY



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» Our Herd is Growing!

We hope you will join us in celebrating the news that elephants **Jana, Edie** and **Tonka** will be coming to The Sanctuary in the new year! We are excited and deeply honored that our AZA colleagues at Zoo Knoxville in Tennessee reached out to us in making the extremely important decision regarding the continued care and lifetime planning for their much-loved African elephants Jana, Edie, and Tonka. We look forward to working with Zoo Knoxville's dedicated staff as we move ahead in preparation for the growing herd at The Sanctuary.

» MEET THE ELEPHANTS



Tonka

Tonka is a 44-year-old male African elephant. He arrived at Zoo Knoxville in 1981 when he was just three years old and has been residing there ever since. One of the largest bull elephants in the U.S., he weighs approximately 15,500 pounds and stands 11 feet tall. Zoo Knoxville elephant care staff describe Tonka as having an easy-going personality: **"He particularly enjoys apples, sweet potatoes, cantaloupes, watermelon, and verbal praise when practicing his training, but pumpkin is his favorite."**



Jana

Jana is a 42-year-old female African elephant. Jana was born at the Groote Schuur Zoo in Cape Town, South Africa. She was transferred to Louisville Zoo in Kentucky before joining Tonka at Zoo Knoxville in 1998. Jana weighs 10,000 pounds and stands 9 feet tall. The Zoo Knoxville care staff describe Jana as highly intelligent and quick to learn new behaviors that help her participate in her own healthcare. **"Her enthusiasm for training and her understanding of how to learn has taught us so much about how elephants understand new concepts. Jana appears to enjoy her time learning, with the apples, sweet potatoes, cantaloupes, and watermelon that accompany it."**



Edie

Edie is a 39-year-old female African elephant. Edie was born in the wild, captured and brought to the US in 1984. She has been at Zoo Knoxville since 2002. Edie weighs 9,500 pounds and stands 8 feet tall. **"Edie is a very sweet-natured and curious elephant,"** say her caregivers at Zoo Knoxville. **"She is easily engaged in games and new mental challenges with her caretakers. Edie communicates her contentment by snorting when she is spending personal time with her care team."**

While our timeline for welcoming Tonka, Jana, and Edie is set for 2023, the moves depend on several factors, including the elephants themselves! In preparation for transport, it will be important for the elephants to feel comfortable with the changes required. Zoo Knoxville's professional elephant staff will work with Jana, Edie, and Tonka using protected contact and positive reinforcement to help each elephant become familiar with aspects of transport that may be new to them. When the elephants are comfortable with this routine, we anticipate Jana and Edie will make the move first and be followed later by companion Tonka, who will arrive when the construction of a new barn and expanded fence line meeting the requirements of a bull elephant is completed at The Elephant Sanctuary.

Photos courtesy of Zoo Knoxville.

“ We have begun the preparations for their arrival and are delighted to have the opportunity to continue to provide social opportunities and a lifetime of individual care for Tonka, Jana, and Edie, as they age along with all of the elephants at The Sanctuary. We will keep our supporters updated with more information on the elephants' arrival and this exciting next chapter.”

— Janice Zeitlin, CEO of The Elephant Sanctuary



» How to Identify an Elephant!

At The Elephant Sanctuary, we use a system of solar-powered cameras to locate and monitor the elephants in their habitats. These cameras are also used to provide distance learning opportunities to students and groups around the globe; and to offer you, our friends and supporters, frequent glimpses of the elephants in our care.

We wanted to share with you a few tips and tricks on how to identify each of our nine elephants while viewing them through our EleCams system. Identifying different elephants can be easy, but it takes a bit of practice!

STEP 1: Is the elephant African or Asian?

Identifying the species is indeed the first step to tell the elephants apart! Here's a few clues:

- African elephants have much larger ears, while Asian elephants have smaller, round ears.
- African elephants have rounded heads, while Asian elephants have a double-domed head shape.
- African elephants have two distinct "fingers" at the end of their trunks which is used to manipulate objects, while Asian elephants have one "finger."
- African elephants have four toenails on their front feet while Asian elephants have five.

STEP 2: Does the elephant have any unique features?

Look out for ear folds, shape, and sizes; length and configuration of the tusks; and distinguishing marks or scars.

STEP 3: Is the elephant with a companion or partaking in an activity?

Many of the elephants often choose to spend their time with specific members of their herd, or participate in an engaging activity, making the guesswork even easier!

Here's what to look for when identifying The Sanctuary's Elephants:



Billie

Asian Elephant
Q Habitat & Barn

As our shortest elephant at 7 foot 6 inches, Billie has small ears that are diamond shaped, and her left eye appears "squinty." Billie is most often found on the hillsides near Q Barn.



Minnie

Asian Elephant
Q Habitat & Barn

Minnie is currently the largest elephant at 11,000 pounds! She has very round ears, wrinkly eyes, is very hairy and has light, almost white toenails.



Debbie

Asian Elephant
Q Habitat & Barn

Debbie has long front legs that make her back appear sloped, unlike any other elephant at The Sanctuary. Her ears are shaped like "bat wings," and do not flap in unison.



Ronnie

Asian Elephant
Q Habitat & Barn

Ronnie has an obvious double-domed head that she occasionally enjoys dressing up with grass and dirt "hats" and is known as the "social butterfly" who is almost always with one of her herd mates!



Sissy

Asian Elephant
Asia Habitat & Barn

As one of the smallest elephants, Sissy has a much longer and thinner trunk than some of the others. She has freckles on her trunk and forehead, fuzzy hair on the top of her head, and similar "folds" along the top of both ears.

**Nosey**

*African Savana Elephant
Asia Habitat & Barn*

Nosey has very round ears, short legs, and the longest tusks among The Sanctuary's African elephants. She is often seen swimming and playing with enrichment around her habitat.

**Sukari**

*African Savana Elephant
Africa Habitat & Barn*

You can spot Sukari thanks to her "stocky" body build and a long trunk that sometimes drags the ground! She has a small notch in her right ear and blunted tusks that point straight ahead.

**Tange**

*African Savana Elephant
Africa Habitat & Barn*

Tange has eyes that appear partially closed or "sleepy," prominent tusks that come to a point and look "splayed" as they point away from her trunk, and is most often seen in the company of herd mate Sukari.

**Flora**

*African Savana Elephant
Africa Habitat & Barn*

Flora has large, round African elephant ears, tusks much shorter than her herd mates, and a very athletic build that she uses when pushing down trees around the Africa Habitat!

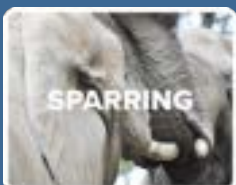


Scavenger Hunt

NOW, IT'S TIME TO PRACTICE!

Check out our EleCams at elephants.com/elecams, learn more about each elephant by visiting elephants.com/elephants, and use the 'scavenger' hunt below to help you identify the elephants and other common sightings at The Elephant Sanctuary!

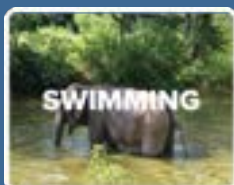
Pro Tip: Check the cameras at different times of day or even on multiple days to find everything!



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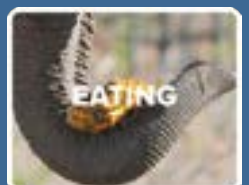
SWIMMING



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» International Partner Spotlight: Utopia Scientific



The Elephant Sanctuary in Namibia

Earlier this year, Kristy Eaker, Senior Manager of Elephant Care, and Summer Zalar, Elephant Welfare Program Coordinator, traveled at different times to Namibia to join our International Partners at Utopia Scientific and assist with their ongoing study on elephant behaviors, family hierarchies, conflict resolution, and relationships of male elephants in the Mushara area of Etosha National Park. They each had the opportunity to work with the founder of Utopia Scientific, Dr. Caitlin O'Connell, who is one of the world's preeminent scientists on African elephant communication and social dynamics.

"The research team was tasked with identifying individual elephants and family groups, filming and documenting herd behavior, collecting the height and body length of individual elephants, and collecting fecal samples for DNA and hormonal analysis," said Kristy. "The group worked from early morning to late night, rotating schedules to ensure someone could observe and record the elephants during peak activity times, which often changed due to factors like weather. The wind greatly affected the animals' movements. There were several days where elephants wouldn't show up for hours, then there would be days where we would work 12-14 hours because there were hundreds of them."

Summer and Kristy spoke about their individual experiences and what it was like to work with Dr. Caitlin O'Connell and her team at Etosha National Park.

“ My favorite part of my experience in Namibia was working with the research team every day – watching elephant families come in, observing behavior and social dynamics, laughing at the goofiness of the young, and getting to know some amazing people all while doing it.”

– Summer Zalar,
Elephant Welfare Program Coordinator

Kristy talked about how much she learned in Namibia, and how the experience will impact her role at The Sanctuary. "With the future outlook of The Sanctuary, it was incredibly helpful to observe the behavior and social dynamics of the bulls in their natural environment, seeing them intermingle with the female herds, how they interacted with other males, and the different behaviors you would see when in musth."

Dr. Caitlin O'Connell is currently on the faculty at the Eaton Peabody Lab at Harvard Medical School, studying elephant low-frequency hearing while also overseeing the non-profit Utopia Scientific, which promotes the importance of science and conservation. She is an award-winning author and photographer and has been studying elephants in the wild for the last thirty years.

"It was truly an honor to work with Caitlin and to see her life's work in real time," said Summer as she reflected on how welcoming Dr. O'Connell was. "I admire her dedication to the elephants in Etosha National Park. It was so impressive to see all the numerous families, individuals, and bulls that she has identified and come to know. She also coached us on how to leave zero footprints behind at camp – a wonderful conservation experience."

Learn More:

To learn more about Utopia Scientific and Dr. O'Connell, visit utopiascientific.org.

To view a full list of our 2022 international partners and collaborations, visit our website at elephants.com/international-outreach.



» 2022 Year End Campaign

Thank You for Your Support!

As this year comes to a close, we look ahead with great anticipation of welcoming **THREE** new elephants. Established in 1995, the first 28 years of this organization have been dedicated to facilitating home, herd, rest, refuge, and lifetime care for female Asian and African elephants. **With heartfelt gratitude to you, our dedicated supporters, The Elephant Sanctuary will expand our facilities in 2023 and our mission to provide sanctuary for any elephant, male or female, that will benefit from our care and commitment.** We are excited to note that many of the necessary changes for growth are already budgeted for and covered through the financial reserves made possible by bequests and gifts from you, our donors, and through the oversight and planning of the board.

As we prepare to roll out the red carpet for **Tonka**, the first bull elephant to be a permanent resident at The Sanctuary, and his companions **Jana** and **Edie**, work has begun for the construction of a new bull barn with larger gates and training walls, a designated habitat, and the raising of nine-foot, reinforced steel bull elephant fencing (taller and stronger than fences for African and Asian female elephants). Naturally, we anticipate the costs for hay, fresh produce, special feed, like Mazuri, and nutritional supplements will expand with more elephants and a bull's bigger appetite.

Your gifts to the 2022 Year End Campaign will contribute to the continued care and well-being of Sukari, Tange, Flora, Nosey, Sissy, Billie, Minnie, Debbie, and Ronnie, plus the preparation to welcome and care for the three new big bodies and personalities of Jana, Edie, and Tonka.

Thank you for your continued support and for helping to pave the way for new elephants to join the herd.

Accommodating Our Elephants	
 \$25	Foot Care Supplies
 \$50	Fresh Produce
 \$100	Two Bags of Mazuri Feed
 \$300	Sand for Elephant Stall
 \$1000	Three Linear Feet of Bull Elephant Fencing
 \$5000	Protected Contact Training Wall

Giving online is easy and secure at elephants.com

Click **"Donate"** and make a gift to our **"Year End Campaign"** by December 31st

Your donation is tax deductible as a charitable contribution to a 501(c)(3) organization. Please consult your tax advisor.

Due to the generosity of our donors, 2021 was an extraordinary year with a record in donations and special bequests. The Elephant Sanctuary has unrestricted reserves of about \$62,170,992, or about 7.7 times the 2022 budgeted expenses.

The Elephant Sanctuary has set aside approximately five times its budgeted expenses as operational reserves to prepare for and ensure the lifetime care and safe haven for an undetermined number of elephants.



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» Support An Elephant

GIVE THE GIFT OF SANCTUARY

Donations of any amount — investments in our mission from long-standing and brand new supporters, alike — help equip The Elephant Sanctuary with the necessary resources to provide gold-standard care to our resident elephants and those to come. When you make a one-time donation online or by mail, you give the gift of Sanctuary and contribute to the large, sometimes unexpected expenses that come with providing refuge to aging elephants. Every dollar counts in creating the best environment for elephants here in Tennessee and improving the lives of elephants worldwide through expanded education and awareness of their needs.

Become a Sustaining Donor for as little as \$10+ per month by setting up an automatic, recurring gift to The Sanctuary. Your dedication to the continued care of captive elephants and the future generations hoping to share a world with elephants makes you eligible to apply for a Volunteer Day. Sustaining Donors also receive a one-year subscription to our triannual newsletter, *Trunklines*.

If you wish to set up a bank draft instead of a monthly credit card payment, please contact Kathy at **931-796-6500 ext. 107**.

FUNDRAISE FOR ELEPHANTS

Turn your next special occasion (birthday, marathon, wedding, graduation, anniversary, or “just because!”) into a chance to raise support for The Elephant Sanctuary! When you start a peer fundraising campaign — which takes just a minute to set up online with a name, photo and brief “call to action” — you can reach your elephant-loving friends with the mission of The Sanctuary and invite them to participate in changing the lives of the elephants here in Tennessee. Visit shop.elephants.com/create-a-fundraiser to get started.

Dedicate Your Gift:

For a unique gift to celebrate special days or to express sympathy and cherished memories, consider making a donation to The Elephant Sanctuary “In Honor” or “In Memory” of a loved person or pet. Visit shop.elephants.com to learn more.

Other Ways To Give:

To learn more about The Sanctuary’s VIP Membership Program and Shirley’s Legacy Program, contact lorenda@elephants.com or **931-796-6500 ext. 105**.

Wishlist:

The Sanctuary maintains an ever-changing wish list to meet the needs of the elephants in our care. Visit shop.elephants.com/products/wishlist to see an updated list of needs.

BECOME A MEMBER

The Elephant Sanctuary provides a sprawling refuge for elephants retired from performance and exhibition — a three-habitat property where they can express natural behaviors, enjoy the companionship of other elephants, and receive a lifetime of individualized care. **Join our herd as a Member with a donation of \$50 or more and receive:**

- A one-year subscription to our triannual newsletter, *Trunklines*
- A one-time 10% discount on Gift Shop apparel
- Monthly *EleNews* email updates
- Eligibility to apply for a Volunteer Day in Hohenwald

ADOPT AN ELEPHANT

By adopting one (or more) of The Sanctuary’s elephants, you become a partner in our mission to provide the gift of herd, home, rest, refuge, and individualized care for life. **Make a gift of \$50+ to Adopt An Elephant and receive:**

- A Certificate of Adoption and information on your “adoptee”
- Monthly *EleNews* email updates
- Eligibility to apply for a Volunteer Day in Hohenwald
- The latest issue of our triannual newsletter, *Trunklines*

FEED AN ELEPHANT

Each of The Sanctuary’s resident elephants consumes about 150 lbs. of food each day, which costs approximately \$50 per elephant. To ensure a nutritious and balanced diet for each of these elephants, our Veterinary Team and Caregivers portion out hay, browse, fresh produce, and supplements according to the individual needs and preferences of the aging elephants. **When you help us offset these ongoing costs and give \$50+ to Feed An Elephant, you receive:**

- A photo card with information about elephants’ diets plus access to “ele-inspired” plant-based recipes, updated seasonally
- Monthly *EleNews* email updates
- Eligibility to apply for a Volunteer Day in Hohenwald
- The latest issue of our triannual newsletter, *Trunklines*

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The Elephant Sanctuary Merchandise



Adult T-Shirts

\$24.95

SM, MED, LG, XL, XXL, XXXL

This worn-in vintage-inspired unisex T-shirt is made in the USA from 100% soft-spun cotton. The Elephant Sanctuary logo is printed on the back.

Find all your Elephant Sanctuary merchandise at elephants.com, or place your order using the enclosed order form and envelope.

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Nosey T-Shirt

Flora T-Shirt

Tange T-Shirt

Sukari T-Shirt

Ronnie T-Shirt



Debbie T-Shirt

Sissy T-Shirt

Minnie T-Shirt

Billie T-Shirt

Elephants Shape Our World

These items distinguish you as part of a global herd of elephant lovers!



Klean Kanteen

\$36.95

A BPA-free, stainless steel 20 oz bottle with a wide Cafe Cap and a "bonus" Chug Cap! Co-branded with Klean Kanteen, this insulated bottle keeps contents hot or cold for hours and fits in most cup holders.



Youth T-Shirt

\$18.95

XS, SM, MED, LG
Color: Light Blue

Made by Gildan, this 100% cotton T-shirt is perfect for playtime.



Onesie

\$18.95

SM (6/12), MED (12/18), LG (18/24)
Color: White

Made in the USA from 100% organic cotton, this onesie includes 1/2" 3-snap closure and a satin label so as not to irritate.

NEW



Youth Find Your Herd T-Shirt

\$18.95

Color: Natural

Made by Gildan, this 100% cotton T-shirt is perfect for your littlest elephant-lover.

XS, SM, MED, LG, XL



Reusable Stainless Steel Straws

\$12.00

Stainless steel straw set in a custom biodegradable drawstring pouch featuring The Sanctuary's logo. Contains two 8-inch straight straws, two 8-inch curved straws, and a cleaning brush.



Find Your Herd Long Sleeve T-Shirt

\$28.95

Color: Athletic Heather or White

SM, MED, LG, XL, XXL, XXXL

Long-sleeve T-shirt with a 90/10 cotton-poly blend, this shirt is 100% made in the USA.



The Elephant Sanctuary Roast by Bongo Java

\$15.00

1 lb. 'Made in the Shade' whole bean, dark roast coffee by Bongo Java with smoky, nutty notes and a heavy body. 100% organic, fair trade, and shade grown.

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» Welcoming Visitors from Malaysia

Through our international partnership with Wild Welfare, this fall, JoeFred Lansou (Fred) and Ruhaizama Ruslan (Ijam), wildlife rangers at Lok Kawi Wildlife Park in Penampang, Malaysia, worked closely with The Sanctuary Care Staff over four weeks to enhance their knowledge of Protected Contact and Operant Conditioning. Their goal was to take the experience back to Lok Kawi to incorporate aspects of The Sanctuary's care practices there.

In addition, The Elephant Sanctuary was grateful to have hosted Malaysia delegates Mary Isidore Malangking, Deputy Permanent Secretary, Sabah Ministry of Tourism, Culture, and Environment; Dr. Augustine Tuuga, Director, Sabah Wildlife Department; Dg. Nur Zilah Hassilah

Ag Kachee, Senior Assistant Secretary, Sabah Ministry of Tourism, Culture, and Environment; and Halimah Haji Hassan, Senior Product Manager, Sabah Tourism Board. The group was able to tour our facilities and watch Care Staff as they performed foot care and trunk washing, among other healthcare practices. "We were happy to see what Ijam and Fred have learned during their time at The Sanctuary and to have witnessed the care and training at Africa Barn," said Halimah. "It was such a memorable experience!"



FRED & IJAM AT THE
SANCTUARY'S LAKE



MALAYSIAN DELEGATES
WITH SANCTUARY STAFF

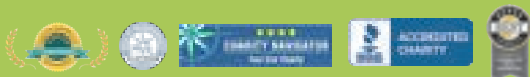
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