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WILDLIFE TRUST
Protecting forever, together.

# FIT FOR THE FUTURE

## 2025–2050



# WHO WE ARE

**50+**

YEARS OF CONSERVATION

**50+**

THREATENED SPECIES PROTECTED

**8**

STRATEGIC CONSERVATION LANDSCAPES

**1000’s**

OF PEOPLE TRAINED

**1**

CONTINENT

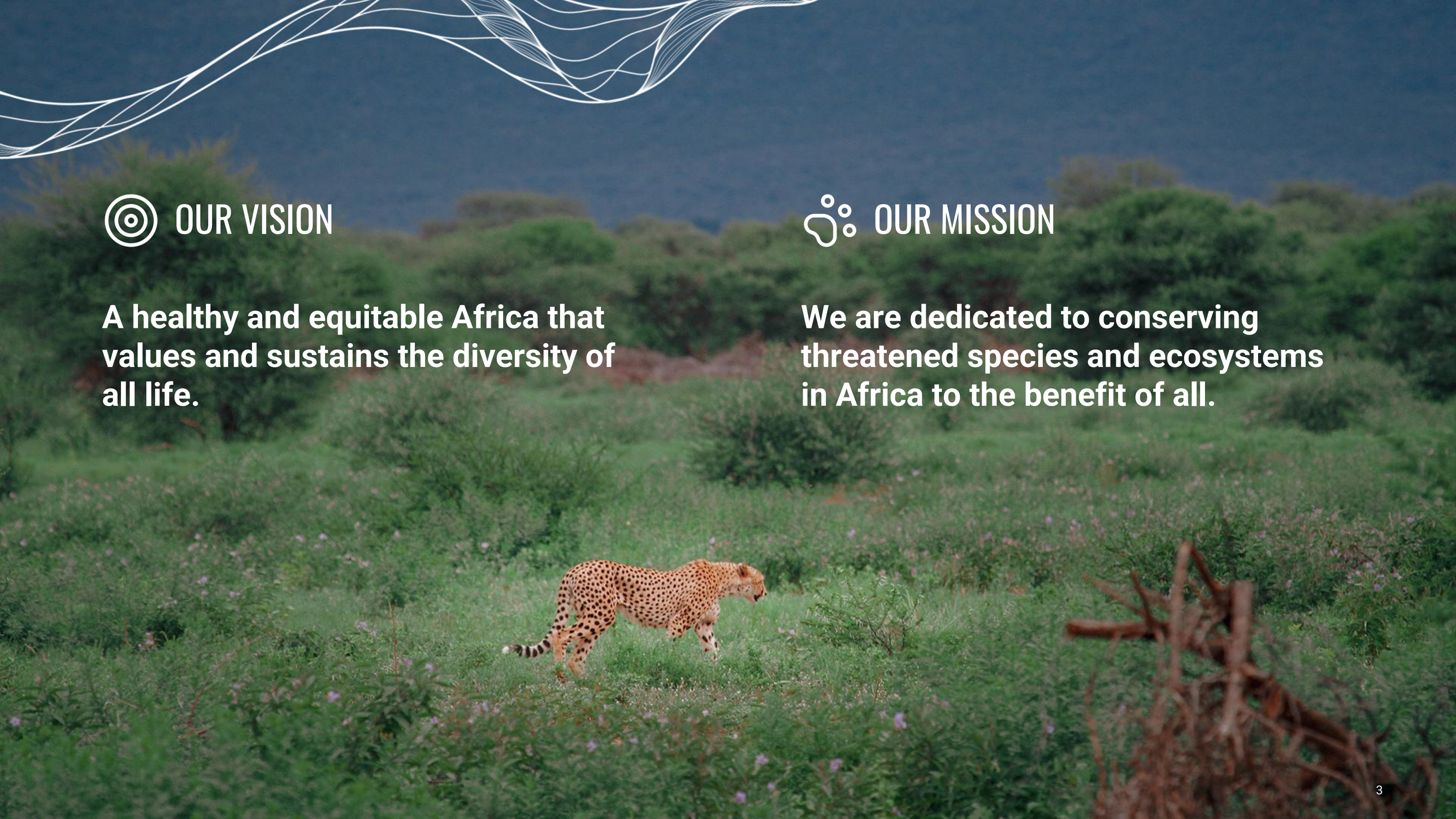


## OUR VISION

**A healthy and equitable Africa that values and sustains the diversity of all life.**

## OUR MISSION

**We are dedicated to conserving threatened species and ecosystems in Africa to the benefit of all.**



# OUR VALUES

Our values guide our decisions, partnerships and conservation impact

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### RESPECT

We believe in justice and equity, act with compassion and respect all life and Indigenous knowledge

## I



### IMPACT

We lead by example, protect wildlife and secure nature’s benefits for human wellbeing

## V



### VALUE ALL LIFE

We recognise nature as the foundation of human wellbeing and champion equal opportunity and inclusion

## E



### ETHICAL

We act ethically, accountably and transparently

## R



### RELATIONSHIPS

We build partnerships, develop conservationists and strengthen Indigenous resource management

# 2025–2050

25 YEARS

## Why?

Recovering threatened species, restoring ecosystems and building lasting resilience within communities requires sustained commitment

The decisions we make today will shape the Africa that future generations inherit



# WHAT WE DO


PROTECTING SPECIES
SECURING & RESTORING LANDSCAPES
WORKING WITH PEOPLE

# WHERE WE WORK

## Eight Strategic Conservation Landscapes

01 Drylands
02 Eastern Cape
03 Drakensberg
04 Savannah
05 Kgalagadi
06 Kavango-Zambezi
07 Zambezi Delta - Malawi
08 Niassa-Selous

Selected through scientific analysis of biodiversity, ecosystem importance, climate vulnerability and water security



# SPECIES WE PROTECT

Focal species groups we protect across our eight Strategic Conservation Landscapes:

## KAVANGO–ZAMBEZI



## KGALAGADI



## DRYLANDS



## EASTERN CAPE






## NIASSA–SELOUS



## ZAMBEZI DELTA–MALAWI



## SAVANNAH



## DRAKENSBERG



# SPECIES WE PROTECT

Focal species groups include:



**Carnivores**



**Birds of Prey**



**Cranes**



**Threatened Endemics**



Reptiles



Amphibians



Butterflies



Freshwater Fish



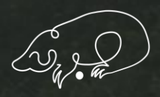
Endemic Birds



Riverine Rabbit



Tortoises



Golden Moles



Succulent Plants



Cycads

# HOW WE DO IT

Three priorities, delivered on the ground in eight landscapes and strengthened by specialist expertise

OUR FOCUS

## Three priorities



PROTECTING SPECIES



SECURING & RESTORING LANDSCAPES



WORKING WITH PEOPLE

ON THE GROUND

## Eight Strategic Conservation Landscapes

Field teams run projects tailored to each landscape's species, habitats and communities. Icons show the species groups we focus on, not individual species. Across all eight landscapes, we protect more than 50 threatened species.

- 01 Drylands
- 02 Eastern Cape
- 03 Drakensberg
- 04 Savannah
- 05 Kgalagadi
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STRENGTHENED BY

## Strategic Conservation Approaches

Specialist teams support our landscape work, and work outside the landscapes only where there is a clear strategic need.

- Biodiversity & Business
- People in Conservation
- Sustainable Finance
- Tools & Technology
- Wildlife & Infrastructure
- Wildlife in Trade
- Conservation Planning & Science
- Protected Area Expansion

RAPID RESPONSE

## Species in crisis

When any threatened species faces an urgent crisis, including species outside our focal groups, we mobilise our teams, specialist expertise and partners to respond for as long as the situation requires.

# ENABLING LARGE ECOLOGICALLY FUNCTIONAL LANDSCAPES TO THRIVE

## OUR 2050 GOALS

**At least**

## 2.4 million ha

### PROTECTED AREAS

Priority areas formally secured as protected areas.

RELATED SDGs




GBF TARGETS

1 Spatial planning to prioritize conservation
2 Effective restoration of Protected areas
3 30 percent of terrestrial areas protected by 2030
4 Halt extinction risks to threatened species
6 Reduce and mitigate the impacts of invasive alien species
8 Minimize the impact of climate change
10 Ensure agriculture & forestry areas are managed sustainably
11 Restore & maintain ecosystem functions and services
14 Integrate biodiversity into policies, regulations, planning and development
19 Substantially increase the level of financial resources
22 Ensure participation in decision-making related to biodiversity by local communities

**Annually**

## 20 million $m^3$

### FRESHWATER REPLENISHED

Restoration in key catchments, primarily clearing at least 4,000 hectares of alien and/or invasive plants.

RELATED SDGs




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# ENABLING LARGE ECOLOGICALLY FUNCTIONAL LANDSCAPES TO THRIVE

## OUR 2050 GOALS

At least

## 250,000 ha

### HABITAT FOR CARBON SEQUESTRATION

Contracted priority habitat providing additional sequestration benefits, contributing approximately 3.75 million tonnes of soil carbon by 2050.

RELATED SDGs




GBF TARGETS

2 Effective restoration of Protected areas
8 Minimize the impact of climate change
11 Restore & maintain ecosystem functions and services

At least

## 8 million ha

### SAFE SPACES FOR WILDLIFE

Priority habitat recognised as ecologically safe spaces for wildlife.

RELATED SDGs




GBF TARGETS

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3 30 percent of terrestrial areas protected by 2030
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# PROTECTING THE SPECIES THAT MAKE OUR LANDSCAPES FUNCTION

## OUR 2050 GOALS

**At least**
**8**

### THREATENED SPECIES POPULATIONS

Maintained and managed through rewilding and active metapopulation management.

RELATED SDGs




GBF TARGETS

4 Halt extinction risks to threatened species
5 Ensure the sustainable use and trade of wild species
9 Protect & encourage customary sustainable use
13 Equitable sharing of benefits that arise from genetic resources
17 Establish, strengthen capacity for, & implement biosafety measures

**At least**
**50% reduction**

### LOSSES OF KEY SPECIES

Carnivores, cranes and raptors lost to persecution, illegal trade and human-wildlife conflict in priority areas by 2050.

RELATED SDGs




GBF TARGETS

4 Halt extinction risks to threatened species
5 Ensure the sustainable use and trade of wild species
6 Reduce and mitigate the impacts of invasive alien species

**At least**
**50**

### WILDERNESS LANDSCAPES SURVEYED

Biodiversity expeditions across East and southern Africa. Describe at least 5 new species.

RELATED SDGs




GBF TARGETS

1 Spatial planning to prioritize conservation
4 Halt extinction risks to threatened species
14 Integrate biodiversity into policies, regulations, planning and development
21 Ensure the best data are accessible to decision makers & practitioners
22 Ensure participation in decision-making related to biodiversity by local communities
23 Ensure gender equality in the implementation of the framework

# WORKING WITH PEOPLE TO SECURE LONG-TERM CONSERVATION IMPACT

## OUR 2050 GOALS

**At least**
**10**

### NATURE-BASED ECONOMIES

Large-scale climate-smart solutions and economies with Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities, focusing on women and youth.

RELATED SDGs




GBF TARGETS

- 2 Effective restoration of Protected areas
- 6 Reduce and mitigate the impacts of invasive alien species
- 8 Minimize the impact of climate change
- 10 Ensure agriculture & forestry areas are managed sustainably
- 11 Restore & maintain ecosystem functions and services
- 16 Ensure that people make sustainable consumption choices
- 20 Strengthen access to and transfer of technology for conservation
- 21 Ensure the best data are accessible to decision makers & practitioners
- 22 Ensure participation in decision-making related to biodiversity by local communities

**Additional**
**10,000 + 50**

### WILDLIFE POISON RESPONSE TRAINING

Response personnel and veterinary experts, respectively, trained in wildlife poison response procedures.

RELATED SDGs




GBF TARGETS

- 6 Reduce and mitigate the impacts of invasive alien species
- 9 Protect & encourage customary sustainable use
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**At least**
**400**

### CONSERVATION SKILLS

Conservation professionals and students trained in critical conservation skills.

RELATED SDGs




GBF TARGETS

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# CROSS-CUTTING APPROACHES THAT ENABLE CONSERVATION IMPACT AT SCALE

## OUR 2050 GOALS

**At least**

# 1,000 ha

### ECOSYSTEMS UNDER IMPROVED MANAGEMENT

Threatened ecosystems delivering positive biodiversity outcomes through improved management and reduced business impacts.

#### RELATED SDGs




#### GBF TARGETS

- 1 Spatial planning to prioritize conservation
- 2 Effective restoration of Protected areas
- 3 30 percent of terrestrial areas protected by 2030
- 7 Reduce the impact of pollution from all sources
- 8 Minimize the impact of climate change
- 10 Ensure agriculture & forestry areas are managed sustainably
- 11 Restore & maintain ecosystem functions and services
- 14 Integrate biodiversity into policies, regulations, planning and development
- 15 Ensure that large companies disclose risk & reduce biodiversity impacts
- 16 Ensure that people make sustainable consumption choices
- 19 Substantially increase the level of financial resources
- 21 Ensure the best data are accessible to decision makers & practitioners

**At least**

# 80%

### SUSTAINABLE LANDSCAPE MANAGEMENT FUNDING

Supported by sustainable financing mechanisms for private landowners and Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities.

#### RELATED SDGs




#### GBF TARGETS

- 19 Substantially increase the level of financial resources

# OUR 2050 GOALS AT A GLANCE

## ≥2.4 million ha

Priority protected areas

## 20 million $m^3$/year

Freshwater replenished
≥4,000 ha invasive plants cleared

## 250,000 ha

Additional carbon sequestration
≈3.75 million tonnes soil carbon

## ≥8 million ha

Ecologically safe habitat

## ≥8 populations

Threatened species maintained

## 50% reduction

Key species losses from
persecution, trade and conflict

## ≥50 landscapes

Biodiversity surveys
≥5 new species described

## ≥10 economies

Climate-smart nature-based
economies with IPLCs

## 10,000 + 50

Response personnel and vets
trained in poison response

## ≥400 people

Conservation professionals
and students trained

## ≥1,000 ha

Threatened ecosystems under
improved management

## ≥80% of funding

Sustainable landscape
management
backed by sustainable finance

IPLCs: Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities

# WHY THE EWT?

**For more than half a century, we've tackled some of Africa's most complex conservation challenges through science, innovation, and practical action.**

Today, we're one of Africa's leading conservation organisations, trusted by governments, communities, businesses, researchers, donors, and conservation partners to deliver practical solutions that create lasting benefits for wildlife, landscapes, and people.

Our people, milestones, and conservation breakthroughs have shaped our journey.





Governments

Communities

Businesses

Researchers

Donors

Conservation partners

Land-owners

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