



Thank you for considering supporting the British Deer Society in your will.

If you would like any further information about leaving a bequest, or any aspect of our work, please contact us on 01425 655434. You can also email us at h.q@bds.org.uk

A WILL TO HELP...

With your help we can secure the future of wild deer across the UK



What is the British Deer Society?

We are a registered charity and, since 1963, we have worked to protect and promote wild deer conservation in the UK through a programme of education, research, deer management and training.

We take part in country shows and events and publish the Deer Journal and Deerbytes, our online newsletter.

Based in Fordingbridge on the edge of the New Forest, we have around 6000 members and supporters in regional branches throughout the UK.



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Why make a bequest to the British Deer Society?

Wild deer are found across the UK.

You can spot them in the Highlands of Scotland and the green havens of our towns and cities. Wherever you find them the British Deer Society is working to promote their welfare.

Through our research, education and training we have provided a voice for these iconic creatures for the last 50 years.

With your help, we can secure their future, ensuring they have a continuing place in balance with the environment for generations to come.

The British Deer Society is dedicated to preserving a healthy wild deer population in ecological balance with lowland wood and upland habitats. We rely on the generosity and goodwill of people like you, who share our love for wild deer, to help us continue our work and preserve and protect our wild deer heritage.

How are legacies and bequests used?

Remembering the British Deer Society in your will helps to ensure that we can continue our conservation work and develop new ways of securing the future of wild deer. All legacy income is spent on direct project work and is not used for administration.

What types of legacy are available?

There are a number of different types of legacy:

Residuary legacy: Where part, or all, of your estate (after debts, funeral costs and pecuniary gifts are paid) is bequeathed to the British Deer Society.

Pecuniary legacy: Where you leave a specific sum to the British Deer Society. This can be index-linked to safeguard its future value.

Specific legacy: This is where a particular item, such as a piece of jewellery or an antique, is left to the British Deer Society to be used or sold.

If you are worried about providing for your family but want to ensure that the the British Deer Society benefits in the longer term, a reversionary legacy, allows you to leave assets to a named individual for their lifetime with the balance coming to the British Deer Society after their death.



What do I do next?

Making a will ensures that your estate can be distributed according to your wishes. Without it, family, friends and good causes may be overlooked. If you have not yet made a will you should speak to a solicitor or bank manager who will help you to leave clear and precise instructions about the distribution of your estate.

If you have decided that you would like to support the British Deer Society in your will, it would help us greatly if you could let us know. Your information will be treated in the strictest confidence and will not be passed on to any other organisation. Please note that it is entirely up to you whether you provide us with any details of your proposed legacy.

