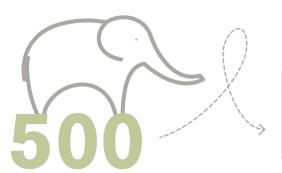


500 ELEPHANTS

A STORY OF HOPE, POSSIBILITY AND SURVIVAL



What is "500 Elephants"?



Up to 500 elephants will be moved by African Parks

from July 2016 to August 2017, from Liwonde National Park and Majete Wildlife Reserve in southern Malawi to Nkhotakota Wildlife Reserve in northern Malawi.



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How Do You Move 500 Elephants?

The elephant translocation will comprise a series of phases, each of which has been carefully planned to ensure minimal stress for the animals. Elephants will be darted by helicopter; retrieved from the field by crane and recovery trucks; and will then be awoken in purpose-built 'wake-up' crates before being loaded onto 30-ton low-bed trucks for their 450-500km journey to Nkhotakota. On arrival, the elephants will be released into a holding facility with food and water, protected by a perimeter of electric fencing. Following a period of between 12 and 24 hours, they will be released in to the wilds of the larger sanctuary.





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The Urgency for Africa

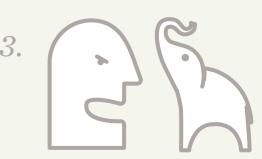
Under mounting pressure from poaching, habitat loss and human-wildlife conflict, the African elephant is being rapidly exterminated in many parts of the continent. With as many as 40,000 elephants being poached every year to feed the insatiable demand for ivory, more elephants are being killed than are being born, increasing their risk of extinction. African Parks protects more than 15,000 elephants across Africa. Join Us in helping secure their future today.



Poaching



Habitat Loss



Human - Wildlife Conflict