

Bequests

Saving Endangered Australian Wildlife through your Will

A bequest that benefits a cause you care about deeply is the best insurance for the future work of that cause.

We all wish for a long and healthy life, however, none of us knows what the future will bring. One thing we do know is that many of Australia's unique plants and animals will be lost to the world forever unless we work together to do something about it. Your bequest to FAME will help us respond to the urgent needs of endangered species in the years to come. Even a small gift by way of bequest can make a big difference to our success in saving a species from extinction.

Leaving a Bequest

Creating a legal Will gives you the opportunity to decide how your assets and possessions are distributed after your death. It is the best way to support the people you care about beyond your lifetime. By including a bequest to FAME you will help secure the survival of Australia's endangered species for years to come.

A bequest is a gift nominated in your Will to one or more non-profit organisations. Your solicitor can advise you about drafting an appropriate document from scratch, or whether an addition or amendment to an existing Will is appropriate.

It is possible to specify that a bequest be used for a particular purpose but priorities change and it may be wise to request that the Board of FAME will direct your gift to the area of greatest need at the time.

Please note that it is important to include the full legal name of the organisation, which is:

Foundation for Australia's Most Endangered Species Ltd.

Tax Issues

A bequest of a specific asset acquired after 19 September 1985 may attract capital gains tax. A bequest in the form of money will not. Unlike gifts made to FAME in your lifetime, gifts made by Will are not tax deductible except under extremely limited conditions. As you know, tax laws change regularly so please consult a tax expert for the most up-to-date information.

Please let us know

We would be grateful if you would let us know if you do decide to include FAME in your Will. This knowledge helps us to plan for the future and may allow us to plan a project that reflects your interests. It also gives us the opportunity to say thank you in person! You can be assured all details are treated with the strictest confidence.

Further Information

If you would like any further information on the work of FAME or to discuss the projects your bequest would make possible, please contact:

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Thank you for your support!