

KEEPING THE YORKSHIRE ARBORETUM GROWING



*"A society grows great when old men
plant trees in whose shade they
know they shall never sit "*

Greek proverb



INSPIRATION EDUCATION CONSERVATION
**THE YORKSHIRE
ARBORETUM**

Charity Number 1044931



As a small, independent, charitable Trust, the Yorkshire Arboretum depends on donations and fundraising to support its commitment to inspire, educate and conserve.

Whether you value the arboretum for its unique plant collection, its remarkable biodiversity or simply as a beautiful and peaceful place to visit, making the generous decision to remember us in your will is an effective way to support our work and ensure this very special place is available for future generations to enjoy, just as you have.





INSPIRATION

The tranquil beauty of the landscape and the trees, subtly changing through the seasons, inspires many to visit the arboretum to appreciate the natural world, learn about trees or simply relax outdoors with friends, family or a pet.

Others come to volunteer, giving their time to help our work, but finding themselves enriched by the experience.

Your legacy could help us:

- plant bulbs, shrubs or trees
- sustain the historic landscape
- develop paths to improve access for older or disabled visitors
- build a dedicated volunteers' room





EDUCATION

The Yorkshire Arboretum has a great reputation for the quality of its education programme. We want to continue the programme's development, giving even more people the chance to learn in these glorious surroundings.

This might be children discovering pond creatures for the first time, adults learning to prune trees or a course on tree identification - education never stops!

Your legacy could:

- Enable more groups of children to visit
- Support courses on wildflowers or trees
- Supply our classroom facilities with new equipment such as microscopes
- Allow us to expand the education team





CONSERVATION

The world's forests are under increasing pressure. Many species are now rare or threatened with extinction because of loss of habitat or the ravages of disease: maintaining them in cultivation ensures their survival.

Our native wildlife is declining rapidly too and the arboretum is an important refuge for a huge range of organisms from fungi to kingfishers, and moths to wild orchids, without which our countryside would be diminished.

Your legacy could:

- Help us manage our ancient oaks and chestnuts
- Provide specialist equipment to manage wildflower meadows
- Support a seed-collecting expedition to China
- Facilitate the work of a propagation unit

LEGACIES

There are several types of legacy. These are outlined below with some sample wording that you, or your solicitor, may find helpful. It may not be necessary to redraft your current will as you can simply add a codicil. Whatever your circumstances we recommend you discuss your plans with your solicitor.

RESIDUARY LEGACY

The residue of the estate is what is left after all other bequests, taxes and debts have been paid. You can give part or all of the residue of your estate to the arboretum.

"I direct my executors to pay to the Castle Howard Arboretum Trust (Charity 1044931) for its general purpose x% of the residue of my estate"

PECUNIARY LEGACY

A pecuniary legacy specifies a sum of money.

"I direct my executors to pay to the Castle Howard Arboretum Trust (Charity 1044931) for its general purpose the sum of £x"

SPECIFIC LEGACY

A specific legacy relates to a particular item such as stocks or shares, property or personal possessions.

"I direct my executors to make over to the Castle Howard Arboretum Trust (Charity 1044931) for its general purpose my x"

CREATE A CODICIL

A codicil is a document that amends, rather than replaces, a previously executed will - a convenient way to make a legacy without needing to make a new will. Codicils should be witnessed appropriately and then kept safely with your original will. Below is a sample codicil that you may find useful.

I, _____ of

_____ declare this to be a codicil to my will dated _____

My will shall be construed and take effect as if it contained the following clause: I give free of inheritance tax to The Castle Howard Arboretum Trust, Castle Howard, York, YO60 7BY

a) _____ per cent (____%) (percentage in words and figures) of my residuary estate for the general purposes of the Charity.

or

b) The sum of _____ pounds (£_____) (sum in words and figures) for the general purposes of the Charity.

or

c) The following items

The receipt of the secretary or other officer for the time being of the said charity shall be sufficient discharge to my Executors.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Signed by the above in our presence and witnessed by:

Witness 1

Name: _____

Address: _____

Signature: _____

Witness 2

Name: _____

Address: _____

Signature: _____

PLEASE LET US KNOW

Knowing about your generous gift in advance helps us considerably when planning our activities and projects. Please let us know of your kindness by sending the completed notification to the Administrator at the address below, or send details to administrator@yorkshirearboretum.org. Please be assured that such notification is in no way legally binding. It's just a statement of your current intentions. We treat any such information received from you in the very strictest confidence.

NOTIFICATION OF A BEQUEST

Name: _____
Address: _____

Tel No: _____
Email: _____

I intend to leave The Castle Howard Arboretum Trust

a) _____% of my residuary estate

or

b) The sum of £ _____

or

c) The following items:

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