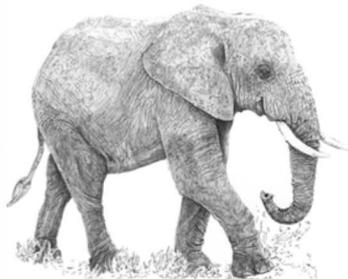


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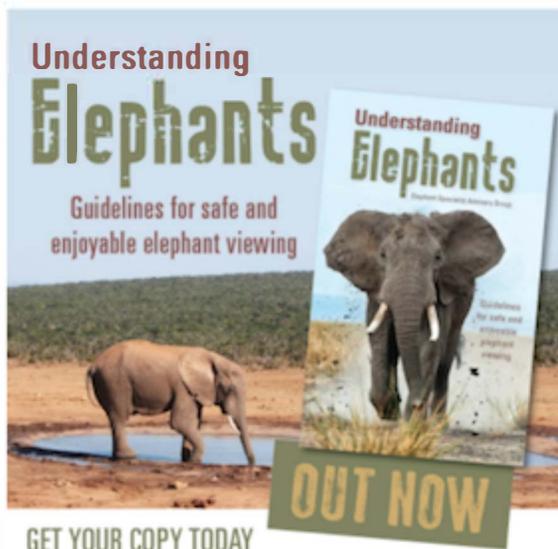
It has been a busy time for us and we take pleasure in sharing some good news stories with you. It has also been great to work with the rest of the Elephant Specialist Advisory Group (ESAG) on the production of our first book. We hope you will enjoy the read if you decide to purchase one. Increased elephant poaching pressure still darkens the horizon, making our tracking program ever more crucial. In the next edition we will focus on some upcoming elephant collaring operations in an attempt to better understand how elephants navigate the fear landscapes which they face.

Elephant hugs,

Dr. Michelle Henley
Director and Principal Researcher, Elephants Alive

Understanding Elephants - Guidelines for safe and enjoyable elephant viewing

This book examines elephant behaviour and provides guidelines on how to conduct yourself near elephants. On average, up to three people are killed annually in South Africa by elephants, and another three are seriously injured. The majority of these incidents could have been avoided had the people involved better understood elephant behaviour and been able to read the tell-tale signs. Often an attack is not just potentially tragic for the people involved, it can also lead to the demise of the animal. [Read more](#)

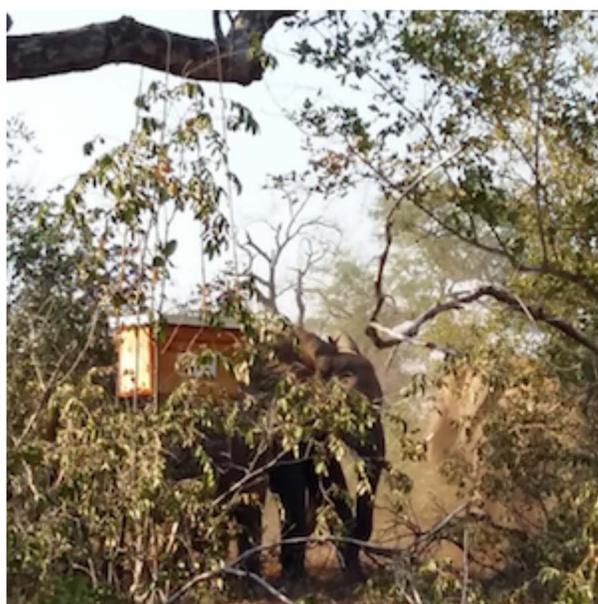


Rescued elephant calf adopted by herd



An orphaned baby elephant has been fully accepted into a semi-wild elephant herd at Camp Jabulani outside Hoedspruit in a rare success story. The baby elephant, Timisa, was rescued last year near Kruger National Park by Elephants Alive and is thriving under the care of her adoptive family. [Read more](#)

Bees, Trees and Elephants – Success!



Elephants do not like bees, and beehive fences have been successfully used in East Africa to protect farmers' crops. So Elephants Alive have pioneered innovative research, using beehives suspended in a number of iconic Marula trees to protect them from damage. [Read more](#)

Dung & Rumbles - A Day in the Life of an Elephant Researcher



Trying to stuff a large, steaming lump of elephant dung into a small glass test tube was not quite what I'd expected, when I spent a day in the field with the Elephants Alive research team. [Read more](#)

Classic Encounters - Kids Wildlife Photography



Wild Shots Outreach and Elephants Alive ran a residential weekend for children of lodge staff in the Timbavati Game Reserve. The children enjoyed two days of wildlife photography training and elephant conservation workshops. [Read more](#)

Bigfeet 'Pressed for Elephants' Wine a Success!



Bigfeet Elephant Foundation, a charity of Meerendal Wine Estate, has donated generously to Elephants Alive, from the sale of more than 60,000 bottles of Bigfeet Wine to customers around the world. [Read more](#)