**How you Can Help Elephants**

August 12th is World Elephant Day, a day to raise awareness of the grave plight of Asian and African elephants.  Each region has its own elephant issues, ranging from the escalation of poaching and illegal trade, to habitat loss, to human-elephant conﬂict and captivity issues. The goal of World Elephant Day is to bring people together to speak to these issues with a powerful global voice on behalf of elephants.

There are several ways you can help elephants:

**Become Elephant Educated**

Learn about the deeper issues behind the threats facing elephants. In order to find a solution, we need to create alternative, sustainable livelihoods for people who have traditionally relied on elephants.

**Be Conscious of the Need to B.E.E.: Be Elephant Ethical**

Elephants in captivity, used for entertainment and religious purposes, are by and large, treated terribly by their minders. If you plan to experience elephants firsthand, please be aware of this. If you wish to experience elephants in their natural environment choose eco-tourism operators who support local elephant conservation projects and who treat elephants with respect and dignity.

**Support Elephant Organizations**

[Support organizations](http://worldelephantday.org/associates) that are working to protect habitat for wild elephants, finding solutions for human-elephant conflict, and preventing poaching.

**Support #WorldElephantDay**

Help raise awareness of the plight of Elephants by talking about it with your friends, on your website, or on social media. Visit [World Elephant Day’s Pressroom](http://worldelephantday.org/news/press-room) to get some creative materials to help.

Bring the World Together to Help Elephants. For more information on World Elephant Day and how you can help elephants visit: [www.worldelephantday.org](http://www.worldelephantday.org/)

**#BeElephantEthical. Join the #BEE campaign for #WorldElephantDay2017**