

Our mission is to secure a peaceful future for the elephants of Southern Tanzania (35% of East Africa's elephants), the habitats on which they depend and the communities that live alongside them. Despite the many challenges of this year, we were grateful to keep busy in our work enhancing human-elephant coexistence and protection for elephants.

Some of our 2020 highlights include:

- Protecting essential elephant habitat by supporting the village game scouts of MBOMIPA wildlife management area (adjacent to Ruaha National Park) to conduct 12 months of patrols
- Facilitating advanced training for 32 game scouts to enable them to do their jobs more safely and effectively
- Providing 30 hours of aerial support to the Ruaha-Rungwa ecosystem
- Enabling >440 person-patrol days to protect the globally-important biodiversity of Uzungwa Scarp



Protection



The first cohort of scouts to graduate from advanced bush skills and walking training



- Engaging with over 8,000 people at the 2020 Tembo Cup Tournament around Rungwa-Kizigo Muhesi Game Reserve through targeted educational content, film nights and our very own Human-Elephant Coexistence Booklet
- Hosting elephant conservation film nights in eight villages adjacent to Udzungwa and Nyerere National Parks, reaching over 2000 adults and children
- Establishing one new beehive fence group adjacent to Udzungwa National Park and supporting our growing network of farmers implementing beehive fences
- Conducting the first trials of a novel “smelly elephant repellent” in Tanzania using a linear fence design, as well as a pilot of solar-powered strobe lights



**Human-Elephant
Coexistence**



This year, we began piloting solar-powered flashing lights as an elephant deterrent



Installing the 'smelly elephant repellent' fence and a visitor captured on one of our camera traps at the fence.



Engaging with students about human-elephant coexistence and elephant conservation was an increased focus of our work in 2020



We continued to expand beehive fences to enhance human-elephant coexistence in the Udzungwa-Nyerere ecosystem



Thank you to all our partners and supporters for contributing to a peaceful future for elephants in Tanzania.
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