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History

The Landmark Trust and the islanders, in partnership with the National Trust and Natural England, work hard to protect and preserve Lundy. However, caring for the island is expensive. Any surplus income generated is reinvested in the island, but we cannot afford to undertake all that we wish to do due to the lack of funds. The Landmark Trust and the islanders are reliant on your support through a gift in your Will.

Lundy lies in the Bristol Channel, ten miles off the North Devon coast. Three miles long and half a mile wide, this granite outcrop rises 400 feet above sea level and is a place of outstanding natural beauty.

Lundy is for everyone – divers, birdwatchers, plant enthusiasts, archaeologists, geologists, climbers and anyone simply seeking to escape from the pace of modern life. An important site for archaeology and history, Lundy was England’s first statutory Marine Nature Reserve, the UK’s first statutory No Take Zone and the UK’s first Marine Conservation Zone.

Many people through their love of Lundy have helped shape its history. By remembering Lundy in your Will you too could help keep Lundy special.
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A legacy to Lundy will contribute to the protection of the island, its flora, fauna and marine life as well as giving it a sustainable future. There can be few surer ways of leaving something worthwhile to posterity than by leaving a legacy to Lundy.

You too can make a lasting difference

Mr Norman Bailey, who was a frequent visitor to Lundy, generously left us £4,000 in his Will which, at his request, was used to cultivate local plants, trees and shrubs on the island. All legacies are recorded in a commemorative book for all to see in Lundy’s Marisco Tavern.

How to leave a lasting legacy

A legacy to Lundy would be greatly valued in any form. It can be expressed as a specific sum of money, as a percentage of an estate, or the residue after other bequests. Here is some suggested wording to include in your Will: ‘I give to THE LANDMARK TRUST of Shottesbrooke, Maidenhead, Berkshire SL6 3SW (Registered charity number in England & Wales 243312 and Scotland SCO39205) [for a pecuniary legacy] the sum of £ amount in figures (amount in words) OR [for a residuary bequest] the residue of my estate...’

Please seek professional advice

We strongly advise that you consult a solicitor or other professional adviser who will give you personal, confidential guidance and advice specifically relating to your own circumstances. It is important to keep a Will up to date and periodical reviews are recommended, especially if personal or financial circumstances change. Simple additions or amendments can be easily made by way of a Codicil. After remembering your friends and family it is worth noting that gifts to charities are currently exempt from Inheritance Tax, so a legacy for Lundy can reduce and help with your Inheritance Tax planning.

Acknowledging your gift

If you do decide to leave a gift to Lundy it is entirely up to you whether you choose to let us know, but if you feel able to do so we can ensure that you are kept up to date with the latest news and future plans for the island. Naturally, such a pledge is simply a statement of your current intentions, is in no way legally binding and will be treated with the strictest confidence.

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