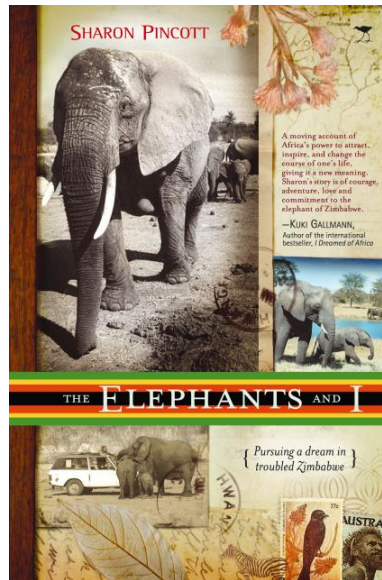




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“A moving account of Africa’s power to attract, inspire, and change the course of one’s life, giving it a new meaning. Sharon’s story is of courage, adventure, love and commitment to the elephant of Zimbabwe.”

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An unplanned visit to South Africa’s Kruger National Park changed Sharon Pincott’s life as she knew it. She was a high-flying information technology specialist Down Under, but now she dreamed of working with Africa’s wildlife. Eventually, she abandoned her life of

privilege and luxury and moved to Zimbabwe - a country in turmoil - to live and work among elephants on the unfenced land bordering Hwange National Park. It was a startling contrast to her former life. In time, Sharon formed extraordinary relationships with wild elephants, having learned to know them intimately. She treasured escapades with friends, both human and animal, in spectacular remote places.



Sharon's hand on Misty's trunk



Lesley comes to say hello to Sharon



Mud-bathing elephants!



Hwange Estate in 2001, Kanondo pan

But, as she soon discovered first-hand, the beauty and wonder of wild Zimbabwe had a dark foreboding side. Snaring of wildlife was rife, and when land invaders claimed the area where Sharon's elephant friends roamed, she went into battle for their land and their lives – while fighting for her own wellbeing, in her homeland of choice.

This is an inspirational true story filled with unrivalled splendour, joy and hope – but in today's Zimbabwe, this precious beauty is frequently shattered by heartbreaking despair.



Jabulani and the estate anti-poaching team



Bubble's trunk injury from a snare



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– **Wilf Mbanga, Editor, *The Zimbabwean***

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