

Remarkable Rewilding Rainbows

The result of combined sun and rain; hope out of a storm.

Rewilding impacts – selected examples from across six continents.

1. Scaling up

11.3 million = [Bush Heritage Australia](#): Since 1991, improved management of 11.3 million hectares through our reserves and partnerships with Aboriginal people, the agricultural sector and other conservation groups.

18 million = Southern Cone, Argentina & Chile: Over the course of three decades, [Rewilding Argentina](#) and [Rewilding Chile](#) have propelled the creation of 13 national parks, conserving and rewilding 6 million hectares of land and 12 million hectares of marine areas.

125,000 = [Rewilding Europe](#). Since 2013, 125,000 hectares of land being rewilded in nine landscapes.

160 = Rewilding in India, [Wildlife Conservation Trust](#): works in and around 160 Protected Areas across 23 states in the country, covering 82% of India's 51 tiger reserves, 24% of the 655 national parks and sanctuaries.

2. Wildlife comeback

13 = Southern cone, Rewilding Argentina & Rewilding Chile: 13 locally extinct or underpopulated species brought back, such as jaguar, red-and-green macaw, Andean deer, Darwin rhea and giant river otter.

15,000 = Rewilding Southern Africa, [Peace Parks Foundation](#): 15,000 wildlife animals of 24 species had been reintroduced overall to the four transfrontier areas, of which 5,000 animals of 11 species to the Maputo complex.

100 = Rewilding Europe: Over 100 European bison are now roaming free in the [Southern Carpathians](#).

23 = Rewilding Europe: 23 shepherd dogs placed in the [Greater Côa Valley](#), Portugal, in 2021 to support Iberian wolf comeback.

500 = American Prairie, Montana, USA: 500 bison distributed to tribal and conservation herds around the country.

3. Social/economic impacts

75 = Southern cone, Rewilding Argentina & Rewilding Chile: Empowered 75 local communities, generating new economic and social opportunities, with 87% tourism increase in 6 years and 50,000 visitors in 2021.

40 = Rewilding India, Wildlife Conservation Trust: Measures introduced in 40 tiger reserves to improve human-wildlife coexistence, such as through introducing [Heaters of Hope](#).

9 = Europe: Nine loan agreements operational in Rewilding Europe Capital with a total value of € 1.3 million enabling local support in rewilding landscapes.

4. Climate change mitigation through wildlife comeback (Animating the Carbon Cycle)

10 x = Restoring saltmarshes: 10 times more carbon was stored in salt marshes with the presence of predatory crabs.

12 x = Kelp forests guarded by sea otters absorb up to 12 times more CO₂ than those in which the otters are gone.

10% = Restoring the Serengeti: Every time the wildebeest population increased by 100,000 animals, the area being affected by wildfires reduced by 10%.

99 million = Restoring the wolf population: Wolves could increase carbon storage in North American boreal forests by up to 99 million tonnes a year, compared to forests without wolves.