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Theo Fabergé, the last grandson of Russian Imperial Jeweller, Carl Fabergé, created the JUNGLE EGG in an expression of mankind's love and concern for our fellow creatures and their habitats.

The JUNGLE EGG is mouth blown in lead crystal. Enamel is hand-applied in multiple layers, and high-fired to achieve the brilliance of hue of the tropical jungle's vegetation. Precious metals are hand-crafted to capture the charm of the orangutans.

All modelled in sterling silver, and embellished with 24-carat gold, they have eyes of sparkling cut sapphires. The mother orangutan holds her child in a protective embrace, and the yearling shares with the magnificent male the duty of raising the Egg from the ground, in a symbol of holding the weight of jungle destruction on their backs to save the rainforest.

The JUNGLE EGG is surmounted by the Romanov crown, created in silver and gold and set with a cabochon ruby.

A full British hallmark, the edition number and Theo's personal signature decorate this exquisite ornament. Presentation in golden carriage-case.











The orangutan is facing extinction in the wild, its existence under serious threat from the devastation of its rainforest habitat for logging and the production of palm oil. Poaching – fuelled by the demands of the illegal pet trade – is also taking its toll, and predictions are that the orangutan could disappear from the wild completely within 10 years, unless urgent action is taken.

Orangutan Protection Foundation has been established to help prevent the extinction of this species, and to preserve the rainforests in Indonesia and Malaysia on which it depends for its survival. We provide funding for rescue and rehabilitation centres – such as the Nyaru Menteng Rescue and Reintroduction Centre in Central Kalimantan, Indonesian Borneo – which are caring for orangutans displaced by the destruction of their habitat, and those victims of the pet trade suffering the misery of incarceration. We also support the work being undertaken by Restorasi Habitat Orangutan Indonesia (RHOI) to return as many of these orangutans as possible to the wild, through the sourcing and protection of pristine areas of rainforest into which they can be released.

Amongst humankind's closest relatives, the orangutan demonstrates a high level of intelligence, as well as the ability to solve problems. As with humans, there's an immensely strong bond between the orangutan mother and her child. She will nurture and protect her young for at least the first eight years of its life, not leaving it, or producing any more young, until it is fully independent of her care.

Orangutans are also the best indicators of the health of their habitat – the rainforests of Borneo and Sumatra – and they play a significant role in the propagation of these forests through seed dispersal. Rainforests are amongst the Earth's most vital, yet fragile, ecosystems. Absorbing carbon dioxide and regenerating oxygen, they help to stabilise the world's climate. They play a crucial role in the water cycle – maintaining the planet's supply of fresh water, and protecting against floods, droughts and erosion. An important source of medicine and foods, they are home to many indigenous tribes, and over half the species of plants, animals and insects on earth. The place of the orangutan in the rainforests of Borneo is vital. Where the orangutan thrives, the rainforest thrives – to the benefit of all creatures that inhabit these forests, and also to humankind.

Our ultimate goal is the release of healthy orangutans back into protected rainforests, to enable them to live in freedom, to procreate and to safeguard the survival of their species.

"I am deeply concerned with the plight of the orang-utan and wish our sister organization much success with this venture. I have been studying the Gombe Chimpanzees in Tanzania for more than 50 years and the Jane Goodall Institute is actively involved in fund and awareness raising to save those precious beings. But orang-utans are in equal peril and I urge you to join in the efforts to help secure their future."

Jane Goodall PhD, DBE -

Founder the Jane Goodall Institute & UN Messenger of Peace www.janegoodall.org

Orangutan Protection Foundation is a registered charity committed to the protection of the orangutan and its rainforest habitat, and we rely entirely on donations to fund our work.

If you'd like to find out more about the orangutan, what we do, and how you can help, please visit our website:

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The price of each JUNGLE EGG is £3995 inclusive of VAT. Proceeds from the sale of each Egg will be donated to the Orangutan Protection Foundation.

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