

## SPANNA THE FACTS



We run 19 veterinary centres and  
21 mobile clinics in 8 countries



Over 300,000 animals  
are treated each year



We rely solely on donations  
and legacies and receive no  
state funding at all



The average cost of running one of  
our animal hospitals is £50,000 a year.

*We value your support and would like to keep you informed about our international welfare work and fundraising activities. If you do not wish to receive further information from SPANA, please contact us at the address below.*

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Abdul's son shows us how well Wafi's ear has healed



## SPANNA CASE STUDY

Wafi was brought to the SPANA mobile clinic during a routine visit to the village of Kefr Kamrah near Hama in Syria. He had sustained a serious injury to his ear when it appeared that someone had hit him with a stick. The ear was badly infected and Wafi was frightened, distressed and in a good deal of pain. As a result, he had gone off his food, had become terribly thin and was unable to work.

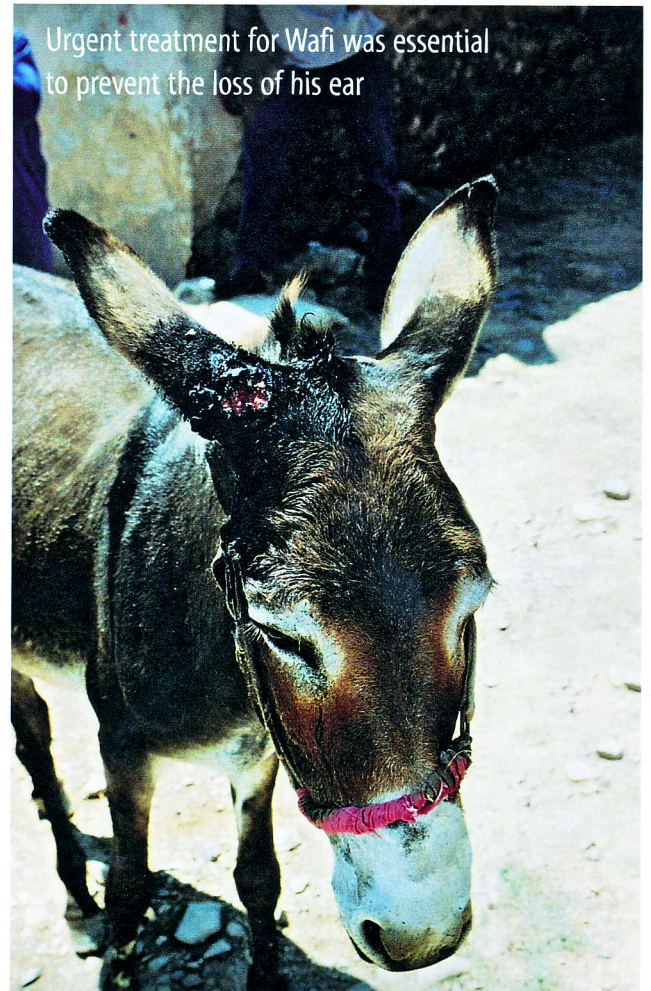
The young donkey was invaluable to his owner, Abdul, since without Wafi he could not transport his crops to the market and he would have been unable to support his family. Although they depended completely on Wafi, they were too poor to pay for treatment for him or to buy him the medicines he needed so badly.

Urgent treatment was essential to prevent Wafi from losing his ear – or worse still, his life. A SPANA vet immediately set about cleaning the wound, and administered both an antibiotic injection and a preventative against tetanus. He also gave Abdul some antiseptic ointment to use on the ear for the following five days and advice on how to look after Wafi whilst he recovered.

A month later, a delighted Abdul brought Wafi back to the clinic to show the vet that his donkey had made a complete recovery.

Wafi – which means 'naughty' in Arabic – was back to his usual, mischievous self and was once again able to carry produce to market for Abdul and his family.

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## WHAT WE DO

We at SPANA are dedicated to the protection and welfare of working animals in some of the poorest places in the world – animals which are critical for the survival of the people of these countries. Active in eight countries in Africa and the Middle East – Algeria, Ethiopia, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Tunisia, Jordan and Syria – we work with governments, voluntary organisations and local people to save animals in areas where veterinary care is not otherwise available.

### Veterinary Care

The main thrust of our work is the provision of free veterinary care – mainly for donkeys, horses, mules and camels, but also for cattle, dogs and cats. We provide hospitalization for emergencies, and long term convalescence when necessary, and our mobile clinics travel to markets, villages and farms in outlying areas, attending to animals and advising owners how best to care for them.

### Education

Education programmes are a major part of our activities, the aim being to inspire the children – who are the animal owners of the future – to develop a positive attitude towards them. All of our animal hospitals have either educational exhibitions or a centre where children can learn how to care for animals and their natural environment. We impress upon them how dependent they and their families are upon both for their survival.

### Outreach and Emergency Programmes

Our international outreach programme around the world provides short-term assistance for small-scale animal projects through locally-based organizations. We also respond to emergencies where animals suffer starvation and neglect as the result of crisis, war or natural disasters.



## FIND OUT MORE ABOUT SPANA

If you would like to receive regular updates about our work, please complete this form and send it to the following address:

**The Society for the Protection of Animals Abroad,  
Freepost LON20570, London, WC1N 2BR**

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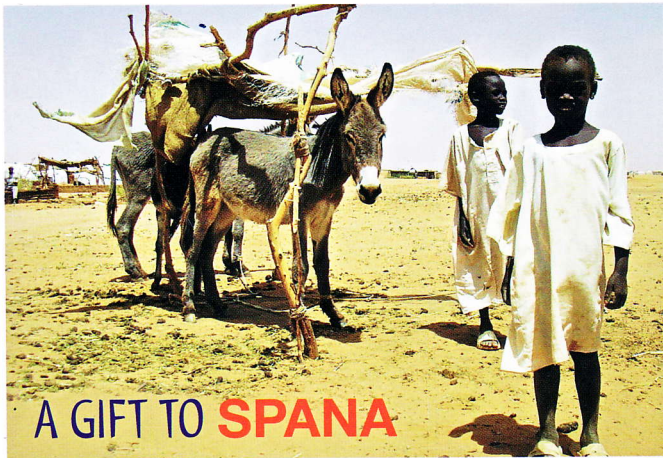
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## A GIFT TO SPANA

The life of working animals in many parts of Africa and the Middle East is hard and often unremitting. They are weighed down with huge loads or they pull heavy ploughs and carts. When they become ill, their owners are frequently unable to afford the treatment that they need, even though they are totally dependent on these animals for their survival.

SPANA provides a lifeline to thousands of animals and their owners, delivering veterinary care, advice and education completely **free of charge**. To fund this, however, we rely entirely on the generosity of our supporters.



**£5** will buy a pair of hoof cutters, giving relief from painful feet to hundreds of hard-working horses and donkeys



**£15** will cover the cost of feed and bedding for a five day stay for an injured donkey recovering at one of our animal hospitals



**£25** will pay for a visit to an animal hospital by local school children, where they will learn to respect and value animals and their environment.

**There are hundreds of thousands of animals who still need our help. If you would like to make a contribution to SPANA to ease the suffering of these animals please visit our website where you can donate online:**

[www.spana.org](http://www.spana.org)

Nina Hosali



## THE SPANA STORY

SPANA was founded on the compassion and commitment of two British ladies. During a visit to North Africa in 1921, Mrs Frances Kate Hosali and her daughter, Nina, were appalled by the suffering of so many pack animals – caused not necessarily by cruelty, but mainly by poverty, neglect, ignorance and superstition.

On their return to Britain they resolved to do something positive and in 1923 they established The Society for the Protection of Animals in North Africa. On Kate Hosali's return to Algeria that year, she set about treating donkeys and horses in the souks (markets) and fondouks (enclosures for pack animals) and, despite an atmosphere of scorn and cynicism, she soon won the friendship and respect of the local people.

In Britain, support for her project was growing, and by 1939, free treatment centres had been set up in twenty locations in Algeria, Tunisia and Morocco, where Kate Hosali died in 1944. Her work was carried on by her daughter, Nina, who was actively involved in SPANA's management until 1984.

Over 80 years later, SPANA's activities have extended into eight countries across North, West and East Africa, and in the Middle East. Now known as **The Society for the Protection of Animals Abroad**, SPANA has established veterinary and educational programmes in each of these countries, has a number of outreach programmes around the world and responds to emergencies where animals suffer as a result of crisis, war or natural disasters.