

The Passing of a Legend



Dear Harnas friends and supporters,

It is with great sadness and a very painful heart that we bid our long time cheetah friend Goeters farewell. For 24 beautiful years Goeters acted as the most loyal ambassador for the entire animal kingdom.

With his gentleness he taught hundreds of people about grace, love and patience. So many people have incredible photos and stories to tell of spending an afternoon in his glorious presence.

The philosopher and writer Albert Schweitzer wrote this beautiful quote with which we can definitely associate our personal journeys with Goeters.

“At times our own light goes out and is rekindled by a spark from another person. Each of us has cause to think with deep gratitude of those who have lighted the flame within us.”

Albert Schweitzer

Goeters was not only an exceptional cheetah and friend, but also reached a record age. Naturally, through the ageing process, his body started to show signs of old age over the last year. Despite his epilepsy he still maintained good health. Sadly over the last month his health declined rapidly. Even though he was eating well, his sight, hearing, bodily functions and movements became strained and weak. During the last few days he also struggled to breathe and stand. In the end it was felt by the family and across the Harnas farm that it was the best decision to put him to a peaceful sleep. Now our dearest friend can run the plains of heaven at full speed, purr when he sees all his friends and be free to BE!

**We thank you dear friend for walking this long and incredible journey with us.
You will be in our thoughts and dreams forever.**

Goeters