

SAVE THE HADZA, A MEMORY FROM THE DARKNESS OF HUMANITY'S ANCIENT PAST

The Hadza A last glimpse of Ancient Africa

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Come home to Africa and enjoy the natural rhythm land the Hadza call home. The Hadza are a quintessential link to our past, and are one of the last true Hunter-Gatherer groups in the world today that live in the landscape of our ancient ancestors. Anthropologists have been studying the Hadza homeland for over a hundred years in search of the clues to trace the course of human evolution. The Hadza live a very simple lifestyle much like our human ancestors did for thousands of years, and we are lucky enough that the Hadza are still here today to give us a glimpse through time. These kind and gentle people live in small groups that move every few months and cooperate with each other and call each other family. An egalitarian group, these people have no leaders who can speak for all of them, and unfortunately outsiders are taking advantage of them.

Frank Marlowe is the leading expert in the Anthropological study of the Hadza and proclaims that "Their lives in many ways are much better than the average Tanzanian." Marlowe has been closely studying the Hadza for a few decades now, and states "they are not living fossils...but the amazing thing is how little they have changed." Marlowe and his colleagues are leading the charge to protect the Hadza from the infiltration of outsiders that include farmers, pastoralists, non-ecofriendly tourists, and oil tycoons that want to make their land a personal hunting area for a few elite. It is up to us to save the Hadza and the ancient landscape from the hands of the disrespectful and uneducated masses.

Marlowe and others warn that "foragers" have been greatly influenced and dominated by their agricultural neighbors. Much Hadza mention that they believe foraging for wild foods is a fulfilling avenue to a better diet than either farming or cattle-raising would enable. They truly enjoy and cherish the personal freedom afforded by living in small, mobile, and intimate camps. Many Hadza overtly reject the noise, crowds, dangers, and discrimination that life in neighboring villages would entail.

The Hadza are not nasty, brutish but peaceful and healthy, for now. The people surrounding the land consider these foragers as pests and stupid lazy people who are a means to make money through extortion. They have killed off much of the buffalo, eliminated the lions, and introduce cattle and goats that consume the resources used by the Hadza. It is truly unacceptable.



The People

The Hadza are a culturally, linguistically, and genetically distinct population of approximately 1000-1500 individuals, living around Lake Eyasi, in northern Tanzania. Genetic studies confirm that the distinctiveness of the Hadza population stretches back thousands of years.



The Potential Future

Without generous donations to The Hadza Fund, these living relics could be consumed by the greed of encroaching pastoralists and farmers and could lose not only their land, but their way of life.



The Light of Africa

"Each of us is intimately attached to the soil of this beautiful country... a rainbow nation at peace with itself and the world." ~Nelson Mandela



THE HADZA: LAST OF THE FIRST

Take a lively look at human origins in the very place of our origins, Africa's Rift Valley, where one of the world's last remaining hunter-gatherer groups, the Hadza, have lived sustainably for over 50,000 years.

FAST FACTS

95% Diet consists of 95% wild foods!

50,000

Hadza have retained the hunter-gatherer lifestyle for at least the last 50,000 years of human history!

FOR MORE INFORMATION

To get more information on how you can help world's last relic of ancient humanity, please go to our website.







"It will be an utter tragedy if this area is completely destroyed!" ~Jane Goodall Primatologist

You can save the Hadza!

Although there are a great number of huntergatherers in the world today, and there is considerable diversity between them, the Hadza are the closest to the original human society. Throughout the years many people have studied the Hadza because there is something really special about the way they live and interact with the environment around them which mirrors the ancient landscape of ancient humans.



The Hadza need our help due to increasing immigration into the Hadza region, as well as rapid population growth of neighboring groups has meant that the Hadza have lost access to many of their most important foraging lands. I propose that we transform the Hadzaland into a protected World Heritage site. This would enable the Hadza to keep their land and resources and protect them from outside intruders. In addition to this proposal, funds would be used to ensure tourism will be controlled so that tourists will adhere to strict Eco-Hadza-friendly tours. This would limit outsiders bringing in alcohol which is detrimental to the Hadza as well as contact with outsiders carrying horrible diseases and especially the AIDS & HIV positive carriers found throughout Africa.

The Hadza are the responsibility of everyone on Earth because they show the incredible variation of humans that is shrinking by the day. If we could go back and save the Native Americans in the 1800's with our modern thinking, we would. We can't wait for hindsight again, and it's up to us to right the wrongs of the past and save the Hadza today. Through generous donations we can save these innocent people from destruction like we have seen with other huntergatherers in our recent past!

If we do nothing, it is highly likely that the Hadza will be absorbed by the modern world and we will lose the treasure that is the Hadza way of life.



The future of the Hadza is

unknown, yet without people helping them either through lobbying with the Tanzanian government and other Nations, or donating to the Hadza Fund, the homeland of these people could be destroyed and the people thrown into poverty.



Please reach into your hearts and intellect and donate to the Hadza Fund. Through your efforts we can help protect the homeland from intruders and save the living history from becoming lost history. Please go to our website and make your donation today. Any amount is greatly appreciated!