



# The Great Labyrinth of Africa

Inspiring mankind to be mindful of its carbon footprint



**INFORMATION BROCHURE**





Use the power  
of your influence  
for good.





# This is your chance to:

- Be part of something big.
- Reach the whole world with an important message.
- Make a real, tangible difference.
- Create something unique & beautiful for future generations.
- Leave a lasting legacy.
- Be remembered for all time.





**Imagine building something so  
big you can see it from space!**

**The Great Pyramid of Giza  
230m x 230m**








*Every time you  
drive your car or use  
electricity you produce carbon  
emissions that are harmful to  
the planet and people.*





***Your company vehicles  
and staff members  
help to make South Africa  
one of the biggest polluters  
in the world.***



# Picture this...

***1 African elephant  
weighs 5 tonnes.***

***Can you picture  
100 million elephants?***

***South Africa releases over 500 million tonnes  
of poisonous CO<sub>2</sub>  
into the atmosphere each year.***

***That's shocking!***

**Let's do something about this...**





Reducing  
**South Africa's**  
carbon footprint  
is a **critical**  
**national issue**  
that requires an  
**urgent response**  
from our country's  
**business leaders**  
**and families.**



**9.18 tonnes**

South Africa's carbon emissions per capita; that's nearly double the world average at 4.49 tonnes.



**511 million tonnes**

The amount of carbon dioxide that South Africa releases into the atmosphere each year.



**24%**

Percentage increase in South Africa's carbon emissions from the consumption and flaring of fossil fuels since 1996.

**South Africa**  
is among the highest  
per capita emissions  
in the developing world.





*We have a  
**BIG IDEA,**  
and we'd like  
to share it with  
**YOU.***





An aerial photograph of a massive, circular labyrinth constructed from dense green hedges. The design is highly symmetrical, featuring a central circular area with a small figure standing in it, surrounded by concentric rings of hedges that branch out into a complex, maze-like pattern. The overall shape is roughly circular, with the hedges forming a series of interconnected paths and dead ends.

**We're going to build the largest labyrinth in the world made from 90 000 Spekboom trees**

**Expect global media coverage!**

**This global landmark will serve as a living monument to environmental preservation on our planet.**





**Our campaign  
message**

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**Be mindful of your  
carbon footprint**

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# Why a Labyrinth?

A labyrinth is a pattern of pathways that weave in a circle around a central point. You walk through the pathways to get to the center.

A labyrinth is not a maze. There is only one way in and one way out, so you don't need to think about where you're going.

Labyrinths are powerful landmarks that intrigue and fascinate people from all walks of life throughout the world.

They've got ancient roots. They're found on Greek pottery, on Spanish petroglyphs, rock carvings, and on the floors of medieval cathedrals in Europe.

Today, there is a global revival of labyrinths and tourists flock to see and experience them.

Labyrinths promote contemplation, meditation, introspection and **mindfulness**.

# Why Spekboom?

Succulent tree native to South Africa

Reach between 2m and 5m tall & live to be 200 years old

**Are 10 times more effective at reducing carbon than tropical rainforest trees**

**1 mature Spekboom can remove 8.5kg of CO<sup>2</sup> per year**

They can survive frost, fire, and drought.

They are very easy to propagate.







*Planting  
Spekboom  
trees  
25cm apart  
creates a  
beautiful,  
natural,  
evergreen  
hedge.*





The back story...



Micro propagation through entrepreneurship in townships





**Scaled up to township nurseries**





**Blossomed into 150,000 Spekboom trees**



[www.wonderplant.co.za](http://www.wonderplant.co.za)



## Meet our Tree-preneurs:

**At Wonder Plant:** We established a network of micro-tree nurseries in townships and empowered previously disadvantaged people to earn sustainable livelihoods by growing Spekboom trees for us to supply our projects and customers.



**No seriously! Imagine building something  
so big you can see it from space!**

**The Great Pyramid of Giza**

**Join us**

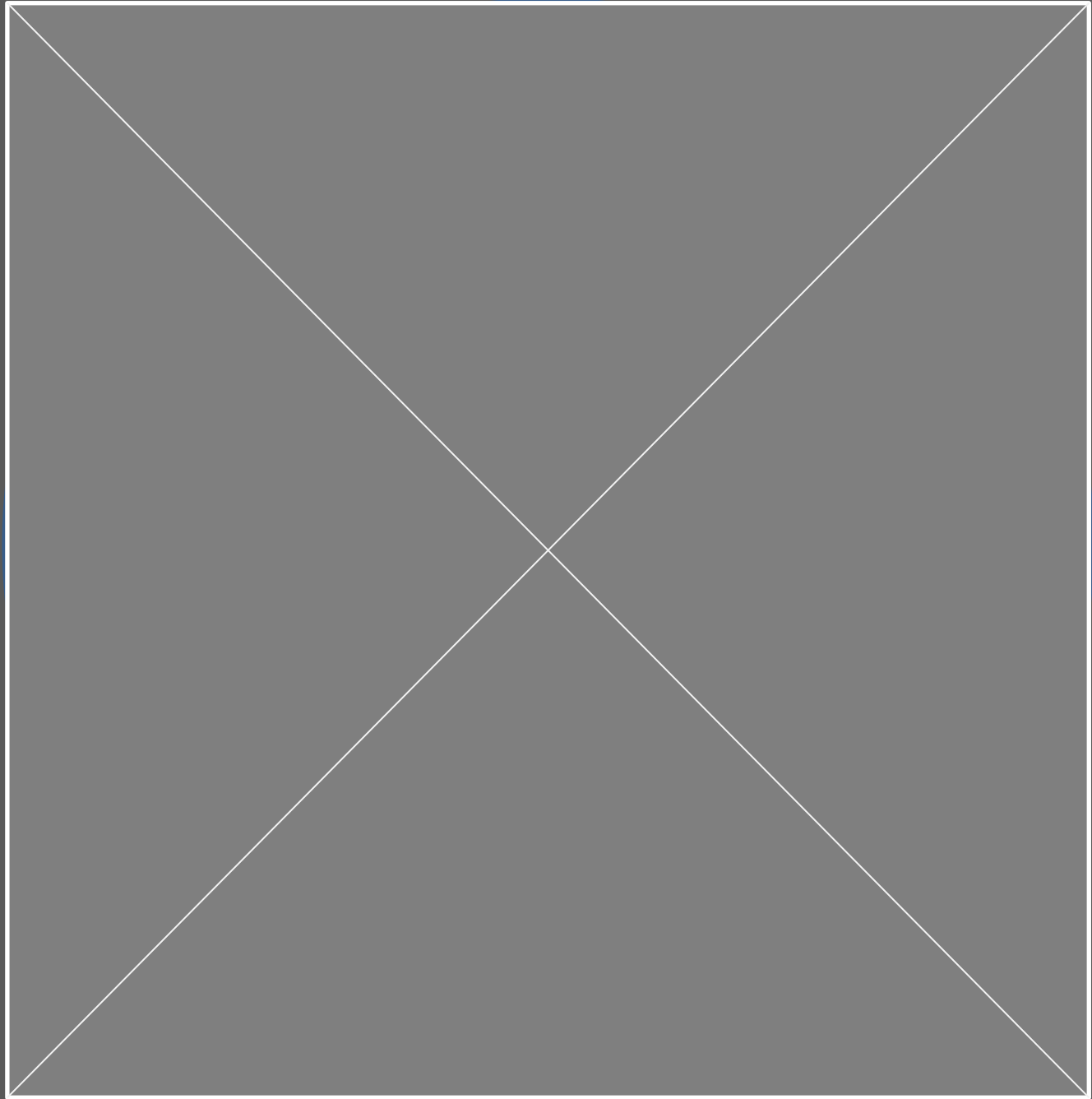


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*The Great Pyramid  
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## *The Great Labyrinth of Africa*

*230m x 230m*

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*Our goal is to build a  
labyrinth as big as the  
Great Pyramid of Giza.*





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*The Gueret Labyrinth  
– France*

*20,000 visitor pa*

*R120 entrance*

*6 hectre site*

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*Ours is bigger!*





# Naming Rights

You can purchase naming rights for as many metres of hedging as you can afford and enjoy full brand recognition on site and in our social media

*BRONZE RIGHTS (500 available)*

**10m = R5,000**

*SILVER RIGHTS (50 available)*

**100m = R50,000**

*GOLD RIGHTS (10 available)*

**500m = R250,000**

*PLATINUM RIGHTS (3 available)*

**1000m = R500,000**

Your funds will be employed to help us purchase the land, plant the trees, sustain the project team and drive the marketing engine for worldwide media coverage.

**4 trees per metre**

Your sponsored trees will still be living in 200 years.





Every Lane in the Great Labyrinth is named after the family or company that purchased the naming rights made visible on site through various ways.



Living legacy investment





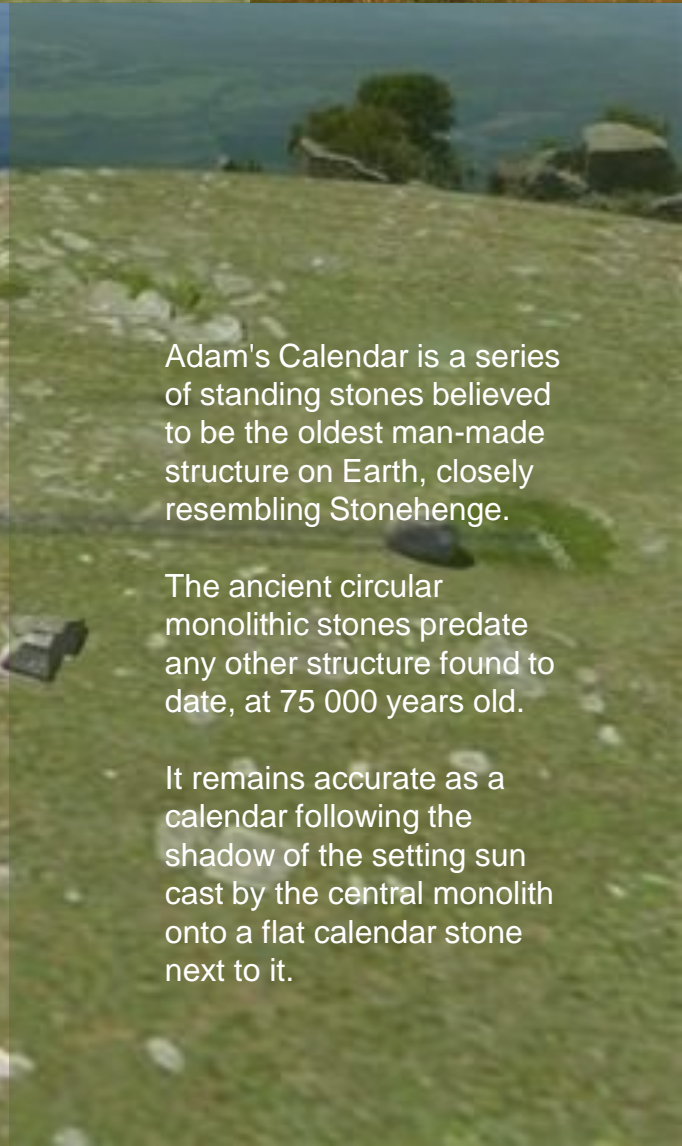
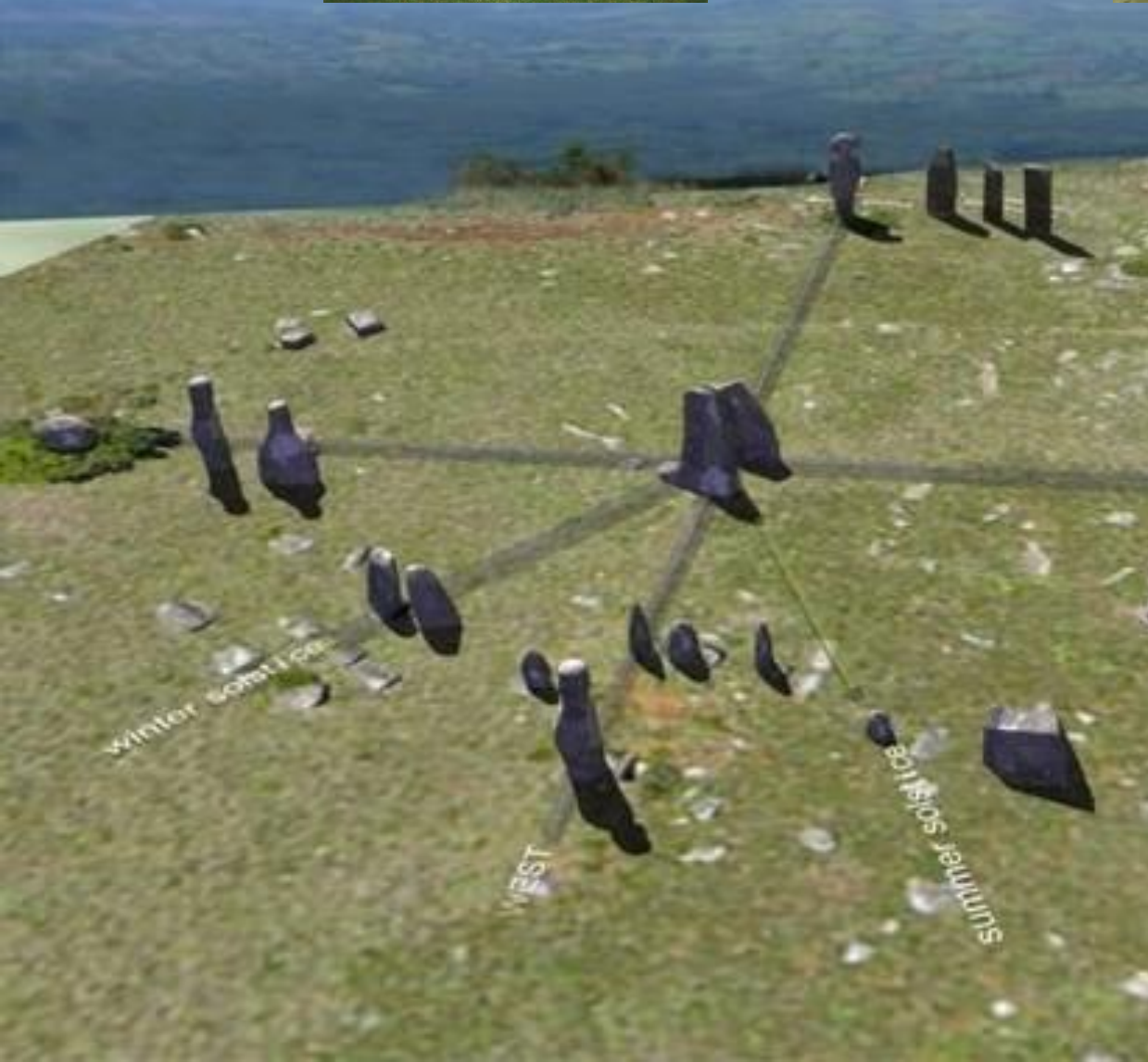


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**SPECIAL PROJECTS**





Adam's Calendar is a series of standing stones believed to be the oldest man-made structure on Earth, closely resembling Stonehenge.

The ancient circular monolithic stones predate any other structure found to date, at 75 000 years old.

It remains accurate as a calendar following the shadow of the setting sun cast by the central monolith onto a flat calendar stone next to it.



# The Great Rock Exhibition

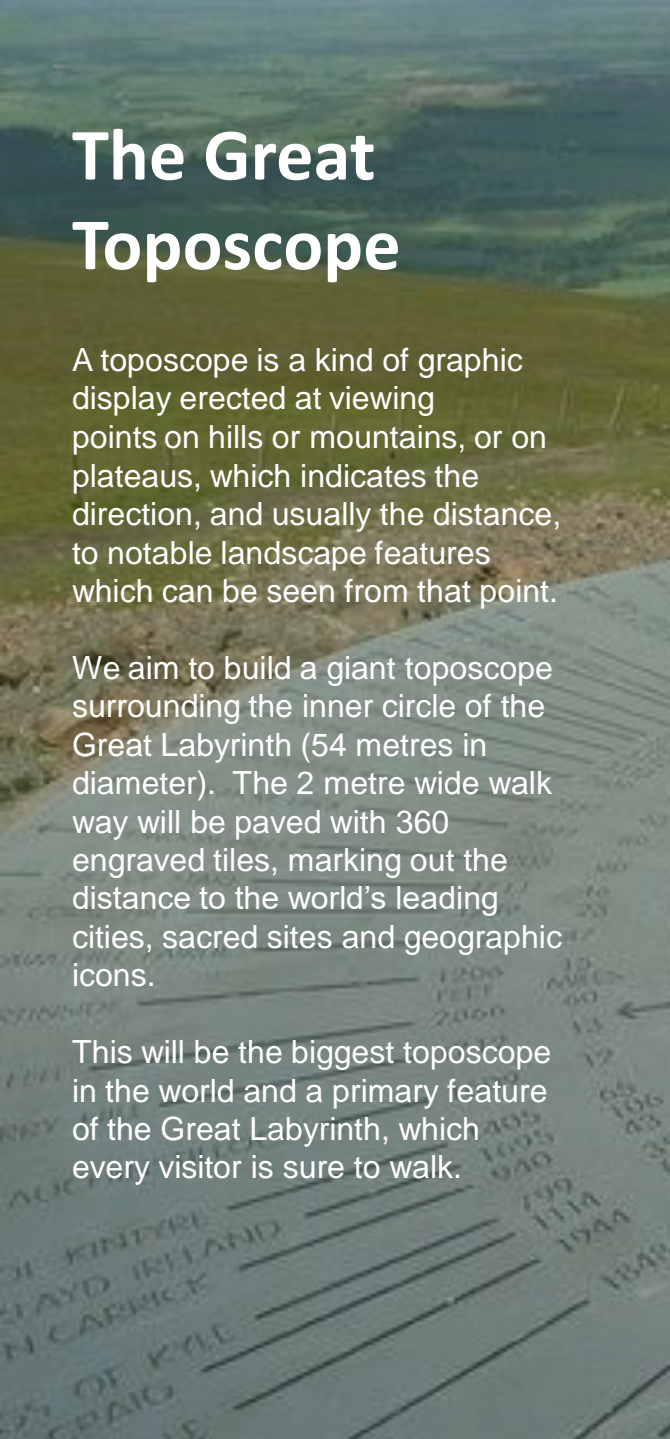
We plan to identify and transport 37 giant rocks from around South Africa to build a mammoth rock calendar that is aligned to the equinoxes and the seasons.

The metaphor is mankind may destroy itself if we don't do something to reduce our carbon emissions, and the Great Rock exhibition will remain in place for millions of years as testament to our lost civilization.

Photo:  
First two  
imported rocks  
at the Great  
Labyrinth





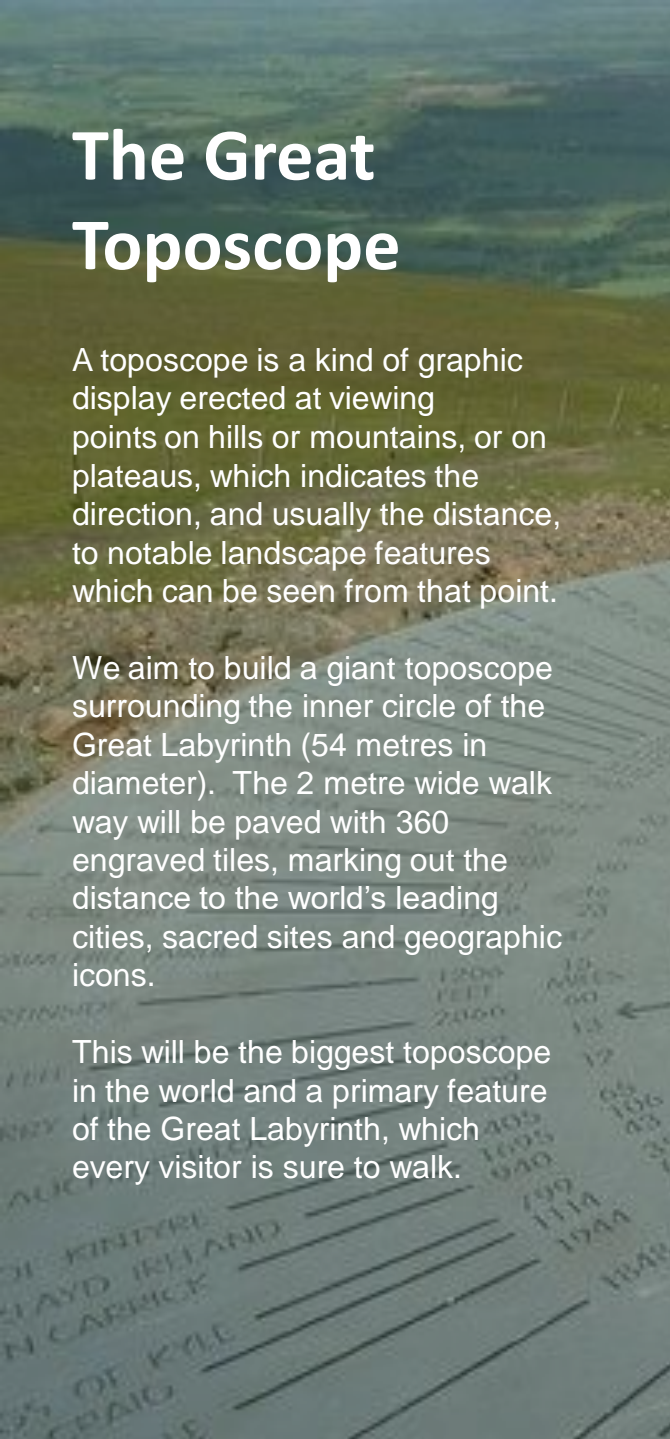
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# The Great Toposcope

A toposcope is a kind of graphic display erected at viewing points on hills or mountains, or on plateaus, which indicates the direction, and usually the distance, to notable landscape features which can be seen from that point.

We aim to build a giant toposcope surrounding the inner circle of the Great Labyrinth (54 metres in diameter). The 2 metre wide walk way will be paved with 360 engraved tiles, marking out the distance to the world's leading cities, sacred sites and geographic icons.

This will be the biggest toposcope in the world and a primary feature of the Great Labyrinth, which every visitor is sure to walk.



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# The Great Spekboom Sun Dial

A **sundial** is a device that tells the time of day when there is sunlight by the apparent position of the Sun in the sky. In the narrowest sense of the word, it consists of a flat plate (the *dial*) and a *gnomon*, which casts a shadow onto the dial. As the Sun appears to move across the sky, the shadow aligns with different *hour-lines*, which are marked on the dial to indicate the time of day. The *style* is the time-telling edge of the gnomon, though a single point or *nodus* may be used. The gnomon casts a broad shadow; the shadow of the style shows the time.

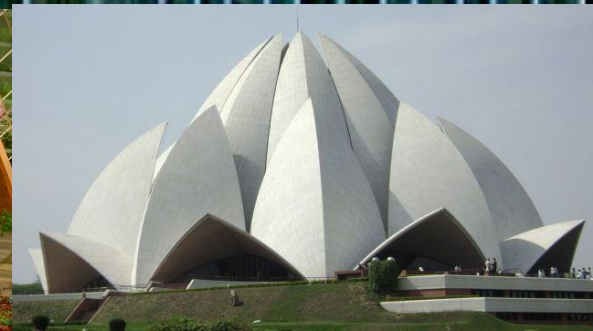
We plan to build a massive 30sm sun dial made of Spekboom to signify time is precious in the fight against climate change.





# The Great Protea of Hope

We aim to construct an iconic building / sculpture covering the core of the Great Labyrinth. It will be in the shape of a Protea – our national flower - with a globe in the centre. Each of the six petals of the Great Labyrinth will be covered by an overhead petal of the Protea. The petals of the Great Labyrinth will represent the earth elements.







# The Great Labyrinth of Africa



**THE PROPAGATION PRINCIPLE**



# PROPAGATION:

Noun:

**To produce a new plant using the parent plant.**

"the propagation of plants by root cuttings"

Verb:

**The action of widely spreading and promoting an idea.**

"the supporters propagated the belief that humanity should be mindful of its carbon footprint."

Synonyms:

**Spreading, spread, promotion, communication**

## Use your Power of Influence

Personal & Professional

**Inspire others to buy lanes, too!**





# A CALL TO ACTION

## Spekboom:

One Spekboom tree produces many shoots every year. These shoots can be clipped and replanted to create new plants. Thousands of trees can be propagated over time. **Wonder Plant**, our supplier, started out with 300 plants and by applying the **PROPAGATION PRINCIPLE** produced over 200,000 trees in a few years.

## Our Campaign:

We're applying the **PROPAGATION PRINCIPLE** to recruit supporters for The Great Labyrinth of Africa. Folks who sponsor lanes are encouraged to recruit two (or more) new supporters to help us propagate the belief that we must be mindful of our carbon footprint. Our true measure of success isn't just building the Great Labyrinth, it's the number of people who sponsor lanes and inspire others to join our important campaign in the fight against climate change.

Drive with a clean conscience.

# Join us – Get involved today





**JOIN US**

**Inspire everyone  
in the world to be mindful  
of their carbon footprint**



*Wonder Plant is a Heart Charitable Investment Trust portfolio venture*

"The best time to  
plant a tree was  
20 years ago. The  
second best time  
is **now**."

[www.wonderplant.co.za](http://www.wonderplant.co.za)  
#keepzabeautiful

## JOIN OUR MISSION FOR SOCIAL & ENVIRONMENTAL CHANGE

By supporting **The Great Labyrinth of Africa** project, you have the rare opportunity to be part of a pioneering force for environmental preservation in South Africa. We invite you to engage with us to further explore the sponsorship and branding opportunities of this unique initiative. This is your chance to use your leadership position to help bring about social and environmental transformation for future generations. Your funds will be employed to help us purchase the land, plant the trees, sustain the project team and drive the marketing engine for worldwide media coverage. The project will be self-sustaining through access fees charged to visitors of The Great Labyrinth of Africa and the continued propagation and sales of Spekboom trees. By supporting this important project, you can and will make a huge difference to the lives of the previously disadvantaged people who Wonder Plant empowered to grow the 90,000 Spekboom trees. Please visit our website for more details, or call us to arrange a site visit. We'd love to show you our work and introduce you to our team.



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