

This collaboration has come through the perseverance of staff on all sides, the respect of both organizations and a unity of our visions for Tanzania. We are *proud* to introduce Roots and Shoots as our most recent and active partner in development for Tanzanian culture, education, and wellbeing.

People-to-People Safaris Expand Options to Include Oldest Tribe in Tanzania

People-to-People Safaris (PPS), sponsored by Terrawatu, is a for-profit company established in 2006 to create unique adventure travel experiences in East Africa based on the years of experience of Terrawatu project staff. Profits go to support Terrawatu's programs and projects.



Hadzabe children making poison arrows in preparation for hunt.

Recently PPS has expanded their itinerary options to include Lake Eyasi to connect with the Hadzabe and Datoga tribes of Tanzania. Lake Eyasi is a mildly alkaline lake with a variety of monkeys, various birds, greater and lesser flamingos, storks and pelicans, and worth a detour in its own right. However the Hadzabe are one of Tanzania's oldest surviving hunter-gatherer tribes. Their relatives include tribes from Namibia and the Pygmies- thought to be the beginning of human-kind as we know it. The Hadzabe still utilize the bow and arrow technique to hunt for animals to feed their cohort.

The arrows they employ are poisoned on the tip with the juices from a local plant and are strong enough to kill even an elephant while the bows are traditionally fashioned from giraffe tendon. These arrows are provided by the Datoga tribe, one of the smallest tribes in Tanzania with numbers dwindling by the season. They are metal workers by trade and sell the Hadzabe the arrows and metal pieces that they utilize in the hunt. More recently they have come to take up the American market of commercialism and are making rings and bracelets that passing visitors may purchase for a nominal amount – however at the same time give the Datoga a further income and expose them to the global nature of our world.

The optional addition of Lake Eyasi includes participating in a hunting expedition with the Hadzabe, a visit to one of the Datoga boma's, and a morning drive/walk around Lake Eyasi. Accommodations offered at the moment are a local camping site with basic amenities or a night stay at the luxury tented lodge run by friends of Terrawatu and close affiliates with the local Hadzabe cohort.

Customizing your own People-to-People Safari with Terrawatu gives you the chance to witness firsthand the wildlife, landscape and culture of the Tanzanian people. In addition to visiting famous wildlife parks, safari participants visit traditional health clinics, community schools and reforestation projects allowing you to see proactive solutions to the issues of poverty, unemployment and AIDS.

To find out more about People-to-People Safaris with Terrawatu, read testimonials, and view a slideshow visit www.peopletopeoplesafaris.com

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Metal jewelry crafted by the Datoga tribe out of recycled car parts and padlocks.

Maasai Women's Bag Begins Production - Distribution to Follow

Nine women from the village of Mkonoo will begin training in a new small business development project of creating leather purses with their traditional Maasai beading to embellish the traditional milk satchel design. While funding is still being sought out to continuously support these women in this endeavor, training in leather work will begin in early January with a goal of distribution beginning in early February.

Terrawatu aims to create the Maasai Bag Project to become a fully self-sustainable project, given the women's previous knowledge of leather work and beading. The training that we are providing is meant just to give the women an additional opportunity to perfect their techniques and learn some new skills that they may utilize in their home life, other marketing ideas, and to pass onto their children for their future handicrafts. The stitching we use on the bags is familiar to them and therefore helping them to improve on this will improve the longevity of their bomas and the design of the leather bags used to carry milk and cow products. Furthermore, we are able to offer them another means to an income, requested international exposure and the ability to support their own children to global access and communication.

We plan to have the bags ready by early February and will send out a separate update to provide more information on the materials used, identifying information on the women involved, and prices request for these products.



Organizational News



Program Officer Meagan Carmody and Project Coordinator Angella Marcel.

A formal alliance has been forged between Terrawatu and Roots and Shoots. This relationship will be confirmed with a Memorandum of Understanding on the responsibilities of each organization and planned collaboration projects. Terrawatu is proud to be aligned with the Jane Goodall project and we look forward to the environmental progress this will enable both organizations.

Terrawatu has undergone an organizational restructuring that includes the upgrading of titles and responsibilities. The primary people affected by this are Dr. Pergola, Ole Sululu, Angella Marcel, and Meagan Carmody, whose titles have changed to International Relations Officer, National Director, Project Coordinator and Program Officer respectively.

Terrawatu is moving closer to receiving 501(c)(3) status in the United States of America. Individuals and corporations interested in supporting Terrawatu's projects can now donate directly to Terrawatu Inc. and receive the associated tax deductions.

DONATE NOW!!!!!!

With the New Year just around the corner, Christmas presents on their way, and family coming in and running out of town, try and ease your spirit by investing in Terrawatu. We call it investing because it is one - Your donation will help us to invest our time and effort into improving education with Information Communication Technology (ICT), healing children with combination therapies of traditional Maasai and modern medicine, manage small business development projects for women's empowerment, and rebuilding the Tanzanian ecosystem through education and tree-planting. The funds you are able to devote to Terrawatu will support our on-going projects and at the same time allow us the flexibility to focus in other key areas of Tanzania; however we want your input and thoughts as well. Become a part of Terrawatu and see why we love Tanzania.

There are several ways to contribute to Terrawatu's work:

- ❖ **Make a donation directly to Terrawatu.** The mission of Terrawatu is to empower communities to improve education and health, protect the environment, and promote cultures of peace. Wouldn't it be nice to have the personal satisfaction of knowing you have directly contributed to this effort? As compared to larger aid organizations that retain 75% or more of financial contributions for administrative costs, Terrawatu uses only 35% for administrative costs. All of the remaining goes directly for on-the-ground project implementation in Tanzania ensuring you get the "biggest bang for your buck".

Donations can be made ONLINE, by MAIL or through a CORPORATE MATCHING GIFT PROGRAM. You can direct your donation to a specific area or program or make a gift for general support. Go to www.terrawatu.org and click on "Contribute" to make on-line donations in any amount. **Checks can be mailed to: Terrawatu Inc., 3225 Franklin Ave. Suite #407, Miami, Florida, 33133.**

- ❖ **Keep Terrawatu in mind when you hear about grant opportunities and/or partnering** possibilities with foundations and organizations with a similar mission. Many of you have already provided Terrawatu with excellent connections that have helped us prosper. Thank you!
- ❖ **Tell your colleagues and friends about our work.** Forward this newsletter and Web address - www.terrawatu.org - to those you think may be interested in learning about Terrawatu.

Examples of what your investment can achieve:

<u>Amount Invested</u>	<u>Investment Translation</u>
\$100	Invest in project start-up
\$500	Subsidize initial project expenses
\$1,000	Run a project
\$5,000	Fund a village



Recipe

Nutty African Coffee Drink

Amarula is a cream liqueur made with the fruit of the African Marula tree. It can be found in most liquor shops that have large selections of imported products. Frangelico is a hazelnut liquor and is readily available. The combination of these flavours with really good coffee makes for a sumptuous holiday beverage. Cheers!

What you need for each cup:

- ½ shot of Amarula
- ½ shot Frangelico
- freshly brewed good coffee
- fresh whipped cream and finely chopped nuts (optional)

What to do:

- Pour Amarula and Frangelico into glass coffee mug.
- Fill glass mug with hot coffee.
- Top with whipped cream and sprinkle with nuts if you so desire.



**Wishing all of You and Your Family and Friends a
Glorious Holiday Season. We Thank All of You for
your Continued Support and Blessings.**

Asante Sana, Ashe Naleng





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- Nelson Mandela