

Are you looking to regenerate your land and livelihood in 2023?



Africa Centre for Holistic Management

We would like to help you ...

We know that a lot of farmers and ranchers are looking to start working with nature and often they don't know where to start. We understand that it takes time to transition from conventional agriculture and this often puts huge pressure on families and operations. At the Africa Centre for Holistic Management, we put all our efforts into helping farmers and ranchers like you, to Regenerate their land, lives and businesses.

Let us help you take the first step ...



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What is Holistic Management?

The natural world is comprised of beautiful and infinitely-complex living systems. Land, animals, people, plants, fungi, and more—are all interconnected and in relationship with each other. Holistic Management is a new decision-making framework that enables us to make the best decisions amidst the complexity of these living systems.

How Holistic Management can help you.

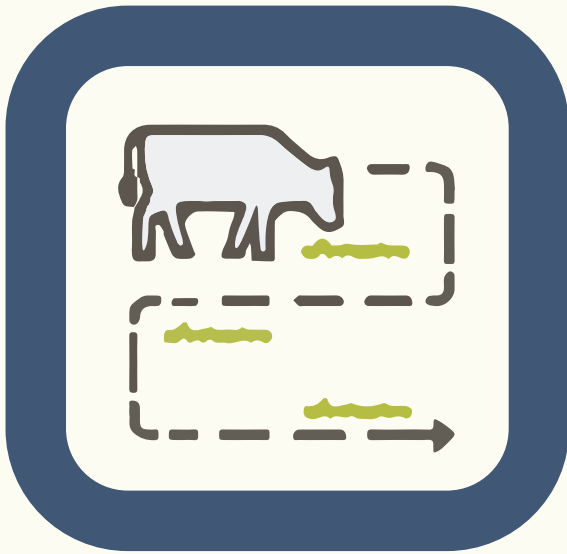
Holistic Management introduces new ecological insights that enable a shift in thinking. These insights help the land steward to make common sense decisions within a holistic context of their own creation to regenerate environments from an ecological, economic, and social perspective. Altogether, Holistic Management equips us to understand the “whole” under our stewardship and enables us to make decisions that bring forth abundant outcomes, regenerating life for all involved.

To help in this learning process we have a suite of planning procedures that enable decision-makers to manage and monitor their decisions on the ground. They include Holistic Planned Grazing, Holistic Land Planning, Holistic Financial Planning and Holistic Ecological Monitoring.



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Holistic Planned Grazing

Holistic Planned Grazing (HPG), is about getting animals to the right place at the right time with the right behavior for the right reasons.

Despite best efforts, most of us cannot deal with more than a few variables at once, and none of us can plan the complexity involved in managing livestock to regenerate grasslands and livelihoods using only our memory, a notebook, or calendar.

With HPG, grazing planning is done on a chart following simple steps in a specific order. Every possible consideration is addressed one-by-one and recorded on the grazing chart. The moves of the animals are then plotted to ensure that animals are where they need to be at the right time, and with the right behavior (based on the desired outcomes).

Holistic Land Planning

Holistic Land Planning helps you create the ideal layout of infrastructure for a grazing operation. Holistic Land planning and Holistic Planned Grazing developed in tandem as both grew out of our new understanding about the role of time in grazing and trampling.

To keep large herds of animals moving continually requires new thinking about the way we lay out infrastructure, especially in a communal or pastoral context where fencing may not be possible or desirable.. The planning of water points, roads, and handling facilities become especially important when you're dealing with large tracts of land that require a considerable investment in that sort of infrastructure.



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Holistic Financial Planning

Good financial management is essential in any business that seeks to be viable and profitable. Regenerative agriculture producers have an additional requirement and that is to ensure that the means to achieving viability and profit also generates ecological wealth.

By integrating this simple-to-use, cash-based financial planning process into your current accounting and budgeting systems, you will not only be able to increase your profits, but also improve your quality of life and your land's health and productivity.

Holistic Ecological Monitoring

Our Holistic Ecological Monitoring empowers land stewards with the knowledge and understanding to be able to “read the land” and as such be able to better manage the ecosystem processes.

Ecological Outcome Verification™ (EOV™) is a protocol for monitoring land health, giving a holistic look at both leading and lagging indicators.



In addition to providing an outcome-based verification of the health of the land base, EOV also provides critical intelligence to the farmer as a steward and manager of the land. By recognizing both land regeneration targets and trends, EOV endorsement and associated incentives are bestowed as long as land health moves in a net positive direction.

EOV measures regeneration through a host of ecological indicators



Ground Cover



Water Infiltration



Biodiversity



Soil Health



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Who are we?

The **Africa Centre for Holistic Management (ACHM)** was founded in 1992 to spread the knowledge of Holistic Management in Southern Africa through innovative training and outreach programs based on a practical learning site that provides evidence of land, water and wildlife restoration using livestock.

Savory Institute Global: Dimbangombe Campus



Savory

The 3200-hectare Dimbangombe Ranch near Victoria Falls, on which ACHM is based, also serves as one of two global campuses for the Savory Institute. It is living proof of the effectiveness of Holistic Management and Holistic Planned Grazing in a brittle and pastoral context. It is home to a large wildlife population, a mixed herd of cattle and goats, and an ever-improving landscape. As the birthplace of Holistic Management, the Dimbangombe Campus hosts annual training programs for Savory's Network of Hub leaders and Accredited Professionals, community leaders, NGO staff, and policymakers. The programs use the curriculum developed with Savory Institute to address the specific needs and context of subsistence farmers living and grazing on communal lands.



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ACHM 2023 Training & Courses

The courses we have planned for 2023

- 1 Day Introduction to Holistic Management
- 12-day Community Facilitators Training Program (CFTP)
- 5-day Regenerative Land Managers course
- 2-day Holistic Management Field Seminar for Organization leaders
- 3-day Holistic Financial Planning Week
- 5-day Small-Scale Farmers week
- 5-day Holistic Planned Grazing & Herding Workshop
- Half day ranch tours

Additional collaboration courses with partners

- 12-day Permaculture PDC (in partnership with Permaculture institute of Southern Africa, PISA)

**see the following pages for details and dates for each of our course offerings*



We are able to facilitate custom courses for NGO's, large operations and agriculture groups.



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1-Day Introduction to Holistic Management

For interested individuals, operations & organizations

Tuition, lunch & ranch tour
US\$139.00 per person

Do you want to learn what Holistic Management is?

If you are curious what Holistic management is and how it's could help your farm or ranching operation, this full-day workshop (including lunch) will help answer these questions for you. By the end of this workshop, you will have a good awareness of holistic management basics and you would be able to share that awareness with friends and family. It will also help you to have a better understanding of which of our course offerings would be best for you.

These full-day introductions are held on demand, on Dimbangombe ranch and we would appreciate if you could give us a few days' notice.

Introduction to Holistic Management

- Decision Making Frame work
- Ecological Literacy

Holistic Management Introduction

Dates in Harare

- 21 March
- 3 May
- 21 June
- 10 October

Intro & refreshments
US\$119.00 per person



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5-Day Small-Scale Farmers Training Week

For small-scale, communal crop farmers



Starting From
US\$499.00 per/person
Excluding Accommodation

Do you want to increase your crop yields

We know that most small-scale farmers would like to lower their input costs and increase their crop yields. In this course week, we help farmers understand the value of integrating livestock into their cropping plans. Farmers have used the impact of animals to double crop yields and significantly reduce input costs (when compared to community control fields). The farmers also learn how to plan and manage where livestock are herded in both the growing and non-growing seasons, so that animals remain healthy, safe, and productive, even as they work to heal the land.

- Introduction to Holistic Management
- Improving Cropfield Soils with Animal impact
- Land & Biological Planning
- Holistic Planned Grazing
- Community Visit

Small-Scale Farmers Week Dates

- 27 Feb to 3 March
- 24 to 29 April
- 12 to 17 June
- 24 to 29 April
- 20 to 24 November



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2-Day Field Seminar for Organization Leaders

Are you engaged with a rural community about their land and livestock?

These field seminars provide the ideal introduction for organizational leaders wanting to know more about Holistic Land and Livestock Management and the Community Facilitator Training Program. The seminars are held over 2 days. The first is a full day of learning on the Dimbangombe demonstration site and the 2nd day is spent engaging with our local communities, providing an ideal opportunity to interact with and ask questions. At the end of the seminar, the organization leader will have all the information they need to decide how best to move forward with the help their organization provides to communities.

Field Seminar Dates

- 27 to 29 March
- 3 to 5 July
- 25 to 27 September
- 4 to 5 December

Starting From
US\$198.00 per person
Excluding Accommodation



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4-Day Holistic Planned Grazing and Herding

For small-scale, communal livestock farmers



Starting From
US\$499.00 per person
Excluding Accommodation

Learn how to get your cattle to the right place, at the right time & doing the right thing

We know that most small-scale farmers dream of having ample grazing and water. Although many factors play a part in your ability to produce enough forage and water for your animals, there is much you can do, at little or no cost, to increase the amount of grass you can grow, which in turn feeds more animals and helps keep water in the soil, which helps regenerate your environment and your community.

- Introduction to Holistic Management
- Ecological Literacy
- Holistic Planned Grazing
- Land & Biological Planning
- Animal Husbandry & Nutrition
- Practical Day Herding

Planned Grazing & Herding Dates

- 23 to 26 January
- 24 to 28 April
- 12 to 17 June
- 31 July to 4 August



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3-Day Holistic Financial Planning Week

For large- and small-scale operations

Are you planning your profits?

Starting From
US\$499.00 per person
Excluding Accommodation

Farmers like to get their hands dirty, these are often the \$100.00 dollar an hour jobs and we know that they do these jobs to avoid the office. Holistic Financial Planning (HFP) is a \$10 000.00 dollar an hour job, it reduces stress and pressures from a farming operation. Holistic Financial Planning integrates a simple-to-use, cash based financial planning process into your current accounting and budgeting systems, where you plan your profits which improves your quality of life, which enables the regenerations of your land's health and productivity.

- Introduction to Holistic Management
- Holistic Financial Planning
- Holistic Planned Grazing Overview
- Holistic Land Planning Overview

HFP Dates

- 1 to 3 June
- 4 to 6 September

Sustainability is a bridge, **Regeneration** is the destination

Degenerating

- Soil is degrading
- Biodiversity is decreasing,
- water is evaporating

Sustainable

The land is in static state

Regenerating

- Soil is restored
- biodiversity is growing
- water is absorbed
- Carbon is being sequestered



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5-Day Regenerative Land Managers Course

For commercial operations



Starting From
US\$600.00 per person
Excluding Accommodation

Let Nature do the heavy lifting on your farm

We know that farmers will always have the best intentions for their land and farming operations. They always believe they are doing the right thing at that moment and we also know that they want to provide their children with a better quality of life, so their farming operation needs to be profitable. Regenerative agriculture allows nature to do the heavy lifting, which significantly reduces costs and enables the farmer to focus on what's important in life. This course provides the farmer with the critical understanding of how to do this, within the infinite complexity of our natural world.

- Introduction to Holistic Management
- Ecological Literacy
- Animal/Rumen Nutrition
- Holistic Financial Planning
- Holistic Land Planning
- Holistic Planned Grazing

RLM Dates

- 15 to 19 May
- 6 to 10 November



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12-Day Community Facilitators Training

This is the program that enables implementation of Holistic Land & Livestock Management within the communities that organizations serve. This is a 12-day in-depth program for community facilitators. It empowers organizations to best serve their communities, with support from ACHM staff who can provide program monitoring for the organization and mentoring support to the trained facilitators.

CFTP Dates

- 6 to 19 March
- 16 to 27 October

Starting From

US\$1188.00 per person
Excluding Accommodation

For NGOs & Government organisations

Week 1

- Holistic Management Overview: What it is, how it can benefit you, your organisations and the communities you serve.
- Ranch Tour: Viewing the land a whole new way.
- Preparing to Mobilize: Organizing the community for action.
- How do People Learn Effectively? The use, strengths and challenges of experiential learning.
- Managing Mobilization: Planning together with communities.
- Land & Social Planning for Grazing: Mapping grazing "paddocks" and water points, planning social infrastructure (committees, agreements) and physical infrastructure (predator-proof kraals, water storage and delivery for large herds).
- Holistic Planned Grazing: Getting livestock to the right place at the right time and for the right reasons.

Week 2

- Herding to a Grazing Plan: Current herding practices and their effect on the health of land, livestock and people, combining livestock for maximum impact on the land.
- Herd Management: Low stress animal handling, disease prevention and treatment plan.
- Biological Monitoring: Learning to read the land for signs that its health is improving or diminishing; monitoring land restoration success with communities.
- Animal Treated Cropfields: Field preparation using the overnight movable kraal, planting, harvesting and using the animals to lay down crop residue.
- Adapting the process: What is core, what can be modified? Common challenges, common solutions.
- Planning and Facilitating a Community Exchange Visit.
- Evaluating progress.



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ACHM Training Course Calendar 2023

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Training Courses Key

Practical Introduction to Holistic Management and Ecological Literacy



Community Facilitators Training Program (CFTP)



Regenerative Land Managers course



Holistic Management Field Seminar for Organisation leaders



Holistic Financial Planning Week



Small-Scale Farmers week



Holistic Planned Grazing & Herding Workshop



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ACHM 2023 Accommodation Rates



Chalets

- Each chalet has a double bed or 2 x single beds, as per request
- Prices: US\$90 per person per night. US\$45 single supplement
- Example: <https://www.airbnb.com/rooms/51157311>

Bungalows

- Each Bungalow has 4 single beds. No single supplement, sharing group can be chosen, or if not allocated.
- Prices: US\$70 per person per night.
- Example: <https://www.airbnb.com/rooms/51157204>

Intaba Camp

- A self-contained, private camp with two, 2-person, en-suite chalets, overlooking a waterhole just offset from the main centre. This camp can be taken on a privatised basis @ US\$200 per night for a dry camp. Enquire for catered options.

Board and Catering:

Included in the accommodation prices are 3 meals per day, plus teas and coffees on a self serve basis. Stays are charged in full, per day, and the camp is stocked to order, therefore missed meals or meals taken elsewhere are not refundable.

We will seek info on dietary requirements before arrival, and we will do our very best to accommodate them!

Extras:

- Airport Transfers to and from VFA (Victoria Falls Airport): US\$35 per vehicle each way
- Laundry Facilities – Serviced wash and iron at rates from US\$1 per item
- Internet available on a pay per consumption basis (Roughly US\$3 per GB)



Starting From
US\$50.00 per/person

“Ask about our group rates”



Dimbangombe Ranch Tours

Our ranch tours are for visitors that want to learn about the fascinating history of Dimbangombe ranch, which is intimately intertwined with Allan Savory and Holistic Management. Dimbangombe is a learning and demonstration site that is the home of Holistic Management.

After watching Allan Savory's TED talk and getting a little history of the ranch, we also provide a little introduction to Holistic Management. We visit the TED Talk sites and a few other important areas that help tell the story of this remarkable ranch in the western corner of Zimbabwe.

We will visit the Dimbangombe cattle herd (if is in an accessible area), and the herding team will show you the ranch's Holistic Grazing Plan. It will be an opportunity to walk and talk with the herding team on the ground. The ranch is in the heart of the Kavango Zambezi Trans-Frontier Conservation Area, so team will demonstrate how we manage the cattle herd amongst all the iconic African animals, including its large predators.



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Directions to Dimbangombe Ranch

Driving Directions to ACHM

- Coming from Victoria Falls on the road to Bulawayo
- 6 km beyond the airport, turn right at our ACHM sign (between km peg 411 and 412).
- ACHM is about 8 km down this dirt road
- **Speed limit on the dirt road is 30 km/hour**

Victoria Falls International Airport

To Victoria Falls City

Main Tar Road (A8)

ACHM Sign

6 km from Airport to our junction

8 km from our junction to ACHM

Unmarked Fork in the road (keep left)

To Bulawayo

Road to Elephant Camp

Road to Kalala

Roads to Railway siding

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Directions on the Dirt Road

- From the tar road, the dirt road travels through the sand forest.
- It opens up and drops down into clearing, continue straight.
- You will come to an unmarked fork in the road, keep left.
- You will pass an old wall on the left and buildings right, continue straight ahead.
- At the next fork in the road keep right towards the ACHM reception.
- Continue past elephant camp, towards ACHM reception.
- Continue straight, past the two roads on the right (they go to the railway siding).
- Do not turn right or left until you get to the car park.



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