



## Ellie the Elephant from Sri Lanka

**My scientific name is *Elephas maximus***, and my home continent is Asia.

I have close relatives in Africa, and in zoos and circuses throughout the world.

I live in the Sinharaja Forest Reserve, Sri Lanka. Part of the United Nation Environment Programme's Protected Areas Programme.

**My basic desire** is to be valued and successful and to avoid situations where I cannot make a contribution. This is achieved when friends share my goals, ambitions and drive. I am very powerful, slow to anger, and most protective of the family unit in all of its forms.

**People think of me** as practical but often a little unrealistic, decisive when things go my way but stubborn and determined to follow my own path when I have made up my mind. I am quick to implement decisions, and organise projects and people to get things done.

**I am also very much aware** of the vital role that plants play in our environment - without the oxygen that plants produce there would be no life on Earth as we know it. I have a long memory and am fascinated with what things were like 'in the olden days'.

**I look for** emotional experiences, learning, and living spaces. I focus on getting things done rather than taking the advice of older and wiser heads, taking care of the routine details and following a determined set of standards. I tend to be an emotion and feelings based thinker - focusing on positive feelings, 'the bright side of things' and empowerment.

**I am most effective when** I can express my feelings, share common experiences with family and friends.

I can be quite subjective about the expectations and plans of others, especially when they limit the chances of doing something in a different way or at a different time.

**Ellie's colour is Red.**

*Red is about strength, strong feelings and personal expression of opinions and making the most out of what's happening. The key focus is on independence and the power of choice.*