

*Sometimes, the solutions to human – animal conflict issues are best defined
by the animals themselves. It is a way of asking their permission.*

IN THE TRACKS OF GIANTS

To walk in the wake of elephants,
to be small in a world of giants
to learn the spoor of silence,
and the deep rumbling eloquence
of kin.

To move in the skin of elephants,
to feel the alliance of sand,
the contours of land
and the far reaching pull
of water.

To be alive to the sway of elephants,
to remember the songs of seasons,
the ancient lines of migrations,
and loosen your reasons
for fences

To wake up to the web of intelligence,
to the wild origins of sentience,
to find your voice and raise it,
that others may raise theirs'
for elephants.

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