

# ADOPTION CERTIFICATE

## Ruger

**Thank you for adopting Ruger.**

**He is one of the Working Dogs for Conservation at Conservation South Luangwa. The dogs play a crucial role in detecting ivory, bushmeat, guns and ammunition, lion bones and skins, leopard skins and pangolins at the national park's boundary and across Zambia's Eastern Province.**



Ruger is a three-and-a-half year old Labrador-Shepard cross from Montana, USA. He was found at an animal shelter and selected for his playful energy, despite a congenital eye problem that has left him almost totally blind. But Ruger's eyesight does not affect his ability to work; it makes him more focused and amazing. After nine months in a canine training program, Ruger went to Working Dogs for Conservation in Montana to start his career in wildlife conservation.

Ruger is one of CSL's first dogs and arrived in Zambia in 2014. He bonded with his handlers and they adore each other. He is known as the headman of his kennels and is the most experienced dog CSL owns. Ruger lives to work and play. He enjoys catching poachers and wildlife traffickers. In his free time, he swims, barks at baboons and gets his ears rubbed.



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