

The Impact of TBA training in conservation

Restoring forests in Madagascar



“The capacity building that we benefitted from during the TBA forest restoration course allowed us to carry out our restoration activities at a larger scale”

Adolphe Lehavana

Adolphe Lehavana, Madagascar - TBA Restoring Forests Specialist Course 2017

Current role:

Protected Area Manager, Missouri Botanical Garden (MBG), Madagascar

Within just one year, Adolphe says TBA training led directly to

- A new grant (from GEF/UNDP) for the conservation of 20 endangered endemic plant species
- 14 endemic species successfully planted out in the Pointe à Larrée Reserve, currently managed by MBG
- a new 5-year plan for Pointe à Larrée to restore 20ha by planting 50,000 trees in gaps within natural forest



The 5-year plan includes connecting fragments of forest; increasing the cultural and social value of target species; and reducing the risk of extinction for target species.

“As a manager of this protected area, I am responsible for project planning, working with stakeholders and monitoring impacts. I have a great opportunity to apply all principles of restoration that I have learnt from the TBA course, including designing the plan, setting the indicators, choosing stakeholders, and defining outputs and outcomes.”

For more information about the impact of TBA capacity building, contact: tba@tropical-biology.org

