

(Photo by New York Zoological Society)

FIRST RHINO BORN AT THE NEW YORK ZOOLOGICAL PARK

A female Indian rhinoceros was born on 9 April at the New York Zoological Park, after a gestation period of 484 days. Born at 9:37 p.m., the infant appeared alert and healthy and stood two hours later. Two days after birth, the rhino weighed 107 pounds. The 12-year-old mother was a wild-born orphan rescued from a flood in Assam, India and received by the New York Zoological Park in 1975. The 10-year-old father, born at the West Berlin Zoo, is on breeding loan from the Oklahoma City Zoo. This is the first birth for each of these rhinos.

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BALD EAGLES RELEASED INTO WILD

For the second consecutive year, bald eagles (<u>Haliaetus</u> <u>leucocephalus</u>) were raised at the Rio Grande Zoo and sent to Tennessee for release into the wild. In 1985, a single eaglet was raised at the zoo and successfully hacked out at Land-Between-the-Lakes in northwestern Tennessee. This year, two eaglets were raised and will be hacked out at Reelfoot Lake, about 250 miles north of Memphis.

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