

Births & Hatchings

MARYLAND ZOO

Baltimore, Maryland

The Maryland Zoo in Baltimore announced the hatching of three African penguin chicks—the first to hatch during the 2020-2021 breeding season at Penguin Coast. The chicks hatched on 18, 22 September and 4 October. Penguin breeding recommendations are made by the African Penguin Species Survival Plan®.



MEMPHIS ZOO

Memphis, Tennessee

The Zoo announced a new addition to its reticulated giraffe herd and his name is a nod to one of Memphis' beloved athletes. Parents Niklas and Angela Kate welcomed a male calf on 10 November. To celebrate Ja Morant winning NBA Rookie of the year, Memphis Zoo will name the calf Ja Raffe. This addition brings the Memphis Zoo herd up to seven giraffe.



TURTLE BACK ZOO

West Orange, New Jersey

A female Amur leopard cub was born on 13 March 2020. Staff has named her Nadya which is Russian for filled with hope. She is the first cub born at the Zoo. The Zoo's Amur leopards are a part of the SSP.



THE WILDS

Cumberland, Ohio

The Wilds welcomed a female white rhinoceros calf, who was born on 9 December 2020. The new calf is the fifth fifth-generation white rhino born at The Wilds. Counting Asian one-horned rhinos, another species that lives at The Wilds, this calf marks the 31st rhino to be born at The Wilds since the first rhino was born at the facility in 2004.



ZOO MIAMI

Miami, Florida

A seven year old female giant anteater whose birthday happens to fall on the same day, gave birth to what is believed to be a male baby. This happened on a cold night of the year in Miami and the newborn was found in the corner of its holding area. It was transported to the Zoo hospital where the animal health team placed it into intensive care. Zoo veterinarians are cautiously optimistic that the baby has overcome the most serious challenges of its first few days.



LOUISVILLE ZOO

Louisville, Kentucky

The Louisville Zoo's six-year-old gray seal Rona has given birth to her first pup. As Rona is a first-time mom, the Zoo is taking precautions to prevent any disruption of the bonding period with her pup. Unless necessary, the Animal Health Care team will not perform a neonatal exam until after the pup is weaned.

