Births & Hatchings

SEDGEWICK COUNTY ZOO

Wichita, Kansas

The Zoo announced the successful hatching of seven critically endangered Chinese alligators as part of its participation in the Species Survival Plan*. This represents the first hatching of this species for the Zoo and the first at an AZA institution since 2002. It is estimated that less than 200 Chinese alligators exist in the wild.



MEMPHIS ZOO

Memphis, Tennessee

Memphis Zoo announced the birth of two new jaguar cubs. Both are female and were born at the Zoo on 4 September 2019. These are the first jaguar cubs at Memphis Zoo since Cat Country was built in 1993, more than 25 years ago. These are SSP births.

HOUSTON ZOO

Houston, Texas

A male Masai giraffe was born on 30 September at the Houston Zoo. The calf was born to first-time mom, Kamili, behind-the-scenes at the McGovern Giraffe Habitat, weighing in at 128 pounds and standing just over six feet tall. This is also the first calf sired by four-year-old, Joshua.



Miami, Florida

Amidst all of the wildfire news coming out of Australia, Zoo Miami provided positive news regarding what is arguably the continent's most iconic animal—the koala. In January, the Zoo announced the successful birth of this endearing marsupial. It is the third birth in the Zoo's history.

MARYLAND ZOO

Baltimore, Maryland

The Zoo welcomed a male sitatunga calf to its growing herd on 29 September. The sitatunga is a species of antelope native to Central Africa. They live in swamps, marshes and flood plains. Outside of protected areas, sitatunga are vulnerable to over-hunting and habitat loss, as people drain and develop swamp land.



THE WILDS

Cumberland, Ohio

The Wilds welcomed a female southern white rhinoceros calf born on 23 October 2019. The calf is the 21st white rhino to be born at The Wilds since 2004 and the third fifthgeneration white rhino to be born at the conservation facility.