

Births & Hatchings

TAMPA'S LOWRY PARK ZOO

Tampa, Florida

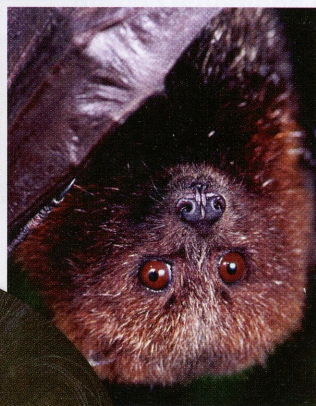
Mother Kidogo gave birth to a female calf on 12 September, marking the fifth successful southern white rhino birth and the eighth rhino born in the Zoo's history (five African, three Asian). The calf's weight is estimated somewhere between 80-100 pounds, but she has the potential to reach up to 4,500 at full size. The Zoo participates in the Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA) Rhino Taxon Advisory Group (TAG), which includes the Southern White Rhino Species Survival Plan® (SSP).



OREGON ZOO

Portland, Oregon

Two Rodrigues flying foxes are being raised at the Oregon Zoo's "bat cave" this summer, adding to the growing population of a bat species once considered the most imperiled on the planet. Close in size to a prairie dog, this critically endangered species is native only to Rodrigues, a tiny island in the Indian Ocean about 900 miles east of Madagascar. The bat plays an important ecological role on the island, where few other pollinators or seed dispersers exist.



PHILADELPHIA ZOO

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Philadelphia Zoo welcomed a new addition to the family: a western lowland gorilla baby born to Honi, a 22-year-old female and 31-year old Motuba on 26 August 2016. The baby is currently on exhibit along with the rest of the troop in PECO Primate Reserve. This birth serves as a significant contribution to the gorilla population in the United States.



ALBUQUERQUE BIOLOGICAL PARK

Albuquerque, New Mexico

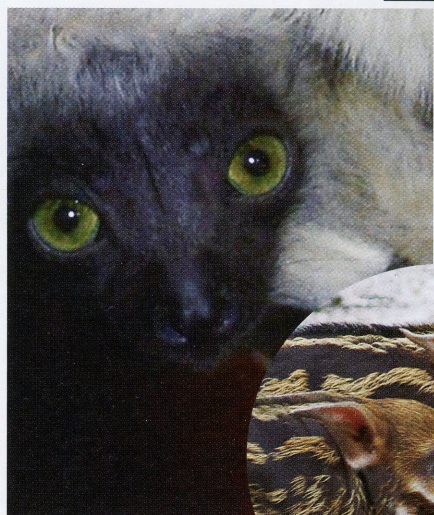
The Albuquerque BioPark announced the fledging of a Sunda wrinkled hornbill (*Rhabdotorrhinus corrugatus*) chick that hatched in mid-June 2016. The male is the second hatched to this SSP recommended pair in the past three years. Wrinkled hornbills are native to the Sundaic lowlands of Thailand, Brunei, Sumatra, Indonesia and Malaysia. This hornbill species is red listed by the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) and is considered near threatened because of deforestation.



MARYLAND ZOO IN BALTIMORE

Baltimore, Maryland

The Maryland Zoo in Baltimore announced the birth of a Coquerel's sifaka born on 25 October 2016. This is the fifth offspring for The Zoo's sifaka pair, Anastasia, age 12, and Gratian, age 14. Offspring Otto and Nero, born approximately nine months apart in 2011, moved to the Duke Lemur Center in 2013 and Max, born in 2013, moved to the Los Angeles Zoo in 2014. Leo, born in 2014, remains at The Maryland Zoo with her parents and new sibling. This birth is the result of a recommendation from the Sifaka SSP.



BROOKFIELD ZOO

Brookfield, Illinois

Two red river hog piglets, one male and one female, were born on 18 August at Brookfield Zoo. Typically found in large social groups, red river hogs are native to forested areas in central and southern Africa. The hogs are easy to identify by their striking rust-red fur with black to gray legs and a white stripe down the spine. At birth, piglets are born with black and rusty-red stripes that fade at about six months. Their distinct coloring, unique ear tassels and neck mane help protect the species against predators.

