Births & Hatchings

QUEENS ZOO

Flushing, New York

A southern pudu fawn was born at the Wildlife Conservation Society's Queens Zoo on 12 May. The pudu is the world's smallest deer species. The arrival of the fawn brings the total number of pudu on exhibit at the Queens Zoo to three. The Queens Zoo breeds pudu as part of the Species Survival Plan® (SSP).

SACRAMENTO ZOO

Sacramento, California

Two black and white ruffed lemurs and a mongoose lemur were born at the Zoo. Both are critically endangered species native to the island of Madagascar off the southeastern coast of Africa.

POTAWATOMI ZOO

South Bend, Indiana

Three Amur leopards were born at the Zoo in March.
Amur leopards, the world's rarest big cat, are considered a critically endangered species with only approximately 70 remaining in the wild and just over 100 in zoos. The Zoo participates in the Amur Leopard SSP.

KNOXVILLE ZOO

Knoxville, Tennessee

The Zoo celebrated the birth of a second endangered western lowland gorilla, just five days after welcoming the first gorilla ever born in Knoxville. The Zoo participates in the Western Lowland Gorilla SSP.

TAMPA'S LOWRY PARK ZOO

Tampa, Florida

A southern white rhinoceros was born 21 May to first-time mother Alake, originally from Africa. The newborn marks the fourth successful southern white rhino birth and the seventh rhino born in the Zoo's history. The Zoo participates in the Rhino Taxon Advisory Group (TAG) which includes the Southern White Rhino SSP.

SHEDD AQUARIUM

Chicago, Illinois

A Pacific white-sided dolphin was born in early June. With fewer than 20 Pacific white-sided dolphins in Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA)-accredited North American zoological facilities, this birth is significant for the population, as well as to the scientific and marine mammal communities dedicated to better understanding the reproductive and neonatal biology of this difficult-to-study species.

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