

Births & Hatchings

LION COUNTRY SAFARI

Loxahatchee, Florida

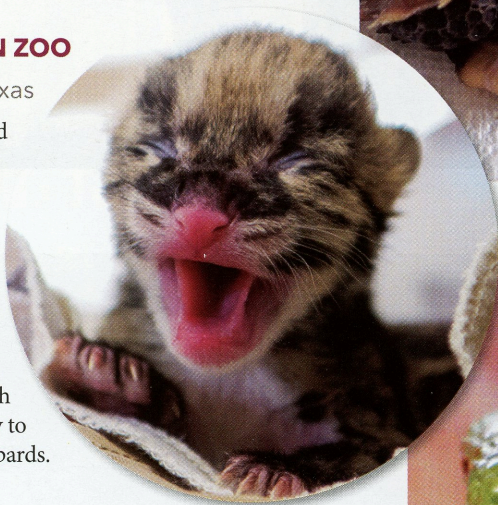
Lion Country Safari welcomed a male southern white rhinoceros calf to its herd on 26 September 2019. The calf is one of a few third-generation white rhinoceroses born in managed care and is genetically valuable. This was a Species Survival Plan® birth.



HOUSTON ZOO

Houston, Texas

The Zoo's female clouded leopard gave birth to two cubs. Clouded leopards are vulnerable to extinction because of deforestation and hunting. Since this species is so rare, it is important to do everything possible to ensure the health and well-being of every clouded leopard born at a zoo, which means sometimes it's necessary to hand-raise newborn clouded leopards.



MARYLAND ZOO

Baltimore, Maryland

The Maryland Zoo in Baltimore announced the hatching of two African penguin chicks—the first to hatch during the 2019-2020 breeding season at Penguin Coast. Penguin breeding recommendations are made by the African Penguin SSP.



CHARLES PADDOCK ZOO

Atascadero, California

The Charles Paddock Zoo was the first zoo to breed the serrated forest hingeback tortoise. The Zoo hatched two babies, from two different pairs. The population size is depressed in certain areas where they are hunted.



NATIONAL MISSISSIPPI RIVER MUSEUM & AQUARIUM

Dubuque, Iowa

The National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium successfully bred a sheltopusik. The facility believes it is the first to do so among the AZA community since the 1980s. There is little known about the breeding habits of the sheltopusik. The egg of the sheltopusik was laid on 24 June 2019 and was hatched on 23 August 2019.



NORTH CAROLINA ZOO

Asheboro, North Carolina

A healthy female chimp was born at the Zoo in November 2019. Both mother and baby are doing well, and the baby started nursing quickly. This is the fifth chimp birth in the last nine years at the North Carolina Zoo. This was an SSP recommended birth.

