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B. v. Wattenwyl Collection of African Mammals

Bernard v. Wattenwyl with two heads of Bongo, *Tragelaphus (Taurotragus) euryceros*

Bernard v. Wattenwyl (1877-1924), a citizen from Berne living in London, made two safaris to Africa (Kenya and Uganda) in 1914 and in 1923. On his second safari he stayed in Africa for over two years and his main focus was not only his personal hunting ambitions but to collect big game animals for the Natural History Museum Berne. He tried to collect as complete a set of mammals as possible from the region. He was accompanied by his 23 year old daughter Vivienne, who was of great help to him.

Late in September 1924 B. v. Wattenwyl was attacked by a lion he had previously wounded. He managed to kill the lion but was himself lethally maimed.

On October 2, 1924 Bernard v. Wattenwyl died and was buried in the soil of his beloved Africa. After her father's death Vivienne completed the expedition and brought many valuable specimens back to Switzerland.

Among others: over 130 skins, skeletons and skulls from over 50 different large African mammals.

African Specimens from other collectors

The above mentioned B.v.Wattenwyl Collection covers about 25% of our African specimens. The remaining collections are from various collectors and consist mainly of big game trophies.

A collection of small mammals was collected by C.A.W.Guggisberg in East Africa during the sixties

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RHINOCEROS SONDAICUS

NMBE#: 1021057

Locality:

Species: *Rhinoceros sondaicus*

Family: Rhinocerotidae

Skull: complete

Date: 1886 // Year:

Donator: Schmid

NMBE#: 1021058

Locality: CH/Basel-Stadt, Basel, Zoo Basel

Species: *Rhinoceros sondaicus*

Family: Rhinocerotidae

Skull: complete

Date: // Year:

Donator: Zoo Basel

Comments: bei Zählung 1973 in Indonesien gefangen, Import 14.8.1975 Zoo Basel, Abguss 1987 durch Kurt Küng

NMBE#: 1021059

Locality:

Species: *Rhinoceros sondaicus*

1. Family: Rhinocerotidae

Mounted: reconstruction

Date: // Year:

Donator:

Comments: 1:1 Modell durch Kurt Küng 1989, nach Massen von lebenden Tieren in England.

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RHINOCEROS UNICORNIS

NMBE#: 1021053

Locality: CH/Basel-Stadt, Basel, Zoo Basel

Species: *Rhinoceros unicornis*

Family: Rhinocerotidae

Sex: M

Age: AD

Mounted: mounted specimen

Skull: complete

Skeleton: disarticulated, complete

Date: 25 Nov 1964 // Year: 1964

Donator: Zoo Basel

Comments: "Gadadhar", Import 1951 als ca. 3jährig von Rhyner Peter, in Assam gefangen, an Lungenkrankheit gestorben,

Lit.: Huber 1965, Hörner zu Präparat sind echt, Geschenk des Museumsvereins

NMBE#: 1021054

Locality: CH/Basel-Stadt, Basel, Zoo Basel

Species: *Rhinoceros unicornis*

Family: Rhinocerotidae

Sex: F

Age: AD

Mounted: mounted specimen

Skull: complete

Skin: fragment

Skeleton: disarticulated, complete

Date: 4 Jan 1973 // Year: 1973

Donator: Zoo Basel

Comments: "Moola", geb. 7.8.1958, "Gadadhar X "Joymothi", Hörner auf Präparat aufmodelliert, Schädel in Wanderausstellung "Nashörner"

NMBE#: 1021055

Locality: CH/Basel-Stadt, Basel, Zoo Basel

Species: *Rhinoceros unicornis*

Family: Rhinocerotidae

Coll.-Synonym:

Age: FETUS

Mounted: cast from original

Fluid: complete specimen

Date: 4 Jan 1973 // Year: 1973

Donator: Zoo Basel

Comments: im 6. Trächtigkeitsmonat, "Arjun" X "Moola", in Wanderausstellung "Nashörner"

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RHINOCEROS UNICORNIS

NMBE#: 1021056

Locality: CH/Basel-Stadt, Basel, Zoo Basel

Species: *Rhinoceros unicornis*

Family: Rhinocerotidae

Sex: M

Age: JUV

Mounted: cast from original

Fluid: complete specimen

Date: 3 Jan 1974 // Year: 1974

Donator: Zoo Basel

Comments: "Aralditi", 5 Stunden nach der Geburt an Blutarmut gestorben, "Arjun" X
"Joymothi", 51 kg

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DICEROS BICORNIS

NMBE#: 1021034

Locality: TZ/Tanga, Usambara Mountains *Tanzania*

Species: *Diceros bicornis*

Family: Rhinocerotidae

Mounted: mounted specimen

Skull: complete

Skeleton: raw, complete

Date: 1 Jul 1930 // Year: 1930

Donator: Miville E.

Comments: Präparat mit echten Hörnern, Westhang

NMBE#: 1021035

Locality: KE *Kenya*

Species: *Diceros bicornis*

Family: Rhinocerotidae

Skull: complete

Date: // Year: 1920

Donator: La Roche R., Dr.

Comments: mit echten Hörner, Haut für Präparat verwendet (1920), eliminiert 1924-1926

NMBE#: 1021036

Locality: ZM *Zimbabwe*

Species: *Diceros bicornis*

Family: Rhinocerotidae

Skull: horns, antlers

Date: // Year:

Donator: Nikles

Comments: 2 Hörner auf Nasale

NMBE#: 1021037

Locality: ZW, Nordzimbabwe

Species: *Diceros bicornis*

Family: Rhinocerotidae

Skull: horns, antlers

Date: // Year:

Donator: von Wattenwyl B., Coll.

Comments: 2 Hörner auf Nasale, Datum 1914/15

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DICEROS BICORNIS

NMBE#: 1021038

Locality: ZW, Nordzimbabwe

Species: *Diceros bicornis*

Family: Rhinocerotidae

Skull: horns, antlers

Date: // Year:

Donator: von Wattenwyl B., Coll.

Comments: 2 Hörner auf Nasale, Datum 1914/15

NMBE#: 1021039

Locality:

Species: *Diceros bicornis*

Family: Rhinocerotidae

Skull: horns, antlers

Date: // Year:

Donator:

Comments: 2 Hörner lose

NMBE#: 1021040

Locality: KE

Species: *Diceros bicornis*

Family: Rhinocerotidae

Skull: horns, antlers

Date: 1890

Donator: Sobernheim, Prof.

Comments: 1 Horn

NMBE#: 1021041

Locality:

Species: *Diceros bicornis*

Family: Rhinocerotidae

Skull: horns, antlers

Date: 1955

Donator: Herzog Konsul

Comments: 1 Horn, Datum unsicher

NMBE#: 1021042

Locality:

Species: *Diceros bicornis*

Family: Rhinocerotidae

Date: // Year: 1957

Donator: Ryff & Co., Bern

Comments: 2 Hörner auf Nasale mit Haut

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DICEROS BICORNIS

NMBE#: 1021043

Locality: AO

Species: *Diceros bicornis*

Family: Rhinocerotidae

Skull: complete

Date: // Year:

Donator: Fenykövi J.

Comments: Ort fraglich

NMBE#: 1021044

Locality: AO

Species: *Diceros bicornis*

Family: Rhinocerotidae

Skull: complete

Date: 1957 // Year:

Donator: Fenykövi J.

Comments:

NMBE#: 1021045

Locality:

Species: *Diceros bicornis*

Family: Rhinocerotidae

Age: SUBAD

Skull: complete

Date: 1960 // Year:

Donator: Fenykövi J.

Comments: Datum unsicher

NMBE#: 1021046

Locality:

Species: *Diceros bicornis*

Family: Rhinocerotidae

Age: FETUS

Skeleton: disarticulated, partial

Date: // Year:

Donator:

Comments:

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DICEROS BICORNIS

NMBE#: 1021047

Locality:

Species: *Diceros bicornis*

Family: Rhinocerotidae

Skull: horns, antlers

Date: // Year:

Donator: von Wattenwyl B., Coll.

Comments: 1 Horn, Rowland Ward Record Bd. XI Ed. 1962, 7. Rang

NMBE#: 1021048

Locality: KE Kenya

Species: *Diceros bicornis*

1. Family: Rhinocerotidae

Skull: complete

Skin: tanned

Skeleton: disarticulated, complete

Date: // Year: 1980

Donator: Zoo Zürich

Comments: 2 Hörner lose, 11 Jahre alt, Zuchtbuch Nr. 5 241, Wildfang, via USA nach Zürich

NMBE#: 1021049

Locality:

Species: *Diceros bicornis*

Family: Rhinocerotidae

Skin: fragment

Date: // Year:

Donator:

Comments: Fragment mit Hornansatzstellen

NMBE#: 1021050

Locality:

Species: *Diceros bicornis*

Family: Rhinocerotidae

Skin: fragment

Date: // Year: 1982

Donator: Zoologisches Institut Bern

Comments: Artbestimmung unsicher

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DICEROS BICORNIS

NMBE#: 1030242

Locality:

Species: *Diceros bicornis*

Family: Rhinocerotidae

Skull: horns, antlers

Date: // Year:

Donator:

Comments: ohne Angaben auf Brett montiert

NMBE#: 1030243

Locality:

Species: *Diceros bicornis*

Family: Rhinocerotidae

Skull: horns, antlers

Date: // Year:

Donator:

Comments: Artbestimmung unsicher

NMBE#: 1047866

Locality:

Species: *Diceros spec.*

Family: Rhinocerotidae

Skull: horns, antlers

Date: // Year: 1992

Donator: Herzog

Comments: 1 Horn auf Brett

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DICERORHINUS SUMATRENSIS

NMBE#: 1021060

Locality: CH/Basel-Stadt, Basel, Zoo Basel

Species: *Dicerorhinus sumatrensis*

Family: Rhinocerotidae

Skull: cast, complete

Date: // Year:

Donator: Zoo Basel

Comments: Abguss durch Kurt Küng 1987 von Schädel Mus.Basel (Nr.10529)

NMBE#: 1021061

Locality:

Species: *Dicerorhinus sumatrensis*

Family: Rhinocerotidae

Mounted: reconstruction

Date: // Year:

Donator:

Comments: 1:1 Modell durch Kurt Küng 1987, Original Zoo Basel (1959-1961), in Wanderausstellung "Nashörner"

NMBE#: 1049028

Locality:

Species: *Dicerorhinus sumatrensis*

Family: Rhinocerotidae

Skull: horns, antlers

Date: // Year: 1999

Donator: Honegger René E.

Comments: Doppelhorn, aus Sammlung ETH, ex. Coll. Gustav Schneider, um 1900

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CERATOTHERIUM SIMUM

NMBE#: 1020899

Locality:

Species: *Ceratotherium simum*

Family: Rhinocerotidae

Skull: horns, antlers

Date: // Year: 1994

Donator: Sekundarschule Viktoria, Bern

Comments: 1 Horn, Artbestimmung ist unsicher, Gew. 2366g, Länge: 29,5 cm

NMBE#: 1021051

Locality: SD, White Nile *Sudan*

Species: *Ceratotherium simum cottoni*

Family: Rhinocerotidae

Mounted: mounted specimen

Skull: complete

Date: Dec 1924 // Year:

Donator: von Wattenwyl V., Coll.

Comments: vorn im Diorama

NMBE#: 1021052

Locality: ZA *South Africa*

Species: *Ceratotherium simum simum*

Family: Rhinocerotidae

Sex: F

Mounted: mounted specimen

Date: 1859 // Year:

Donator:

Comments: Präparat mit echtem hinterem Horn, vorderes Horn in wiss. Sammlung,
Umarbeitung erwähnt im Verwaltungsbericht 1921-1923 (S. 13,14), und 1924-1926 (S.45)