

Look for the AZA Logo

The Association of Zoos and Aquariums is an independent accrediting organization representing the best aguariums and zoos in the United States and the world, assuring when you visit an AZAaccredited facility, it meets the highest standards. Less than 10 percent of the 2,800 wildlife exhibitors licensed by the United States Department of Agriculture under the Animal Welfare Act meet the more comprehensive standards of AZA accreditation. The highly trained professionals at AZA-accredited zoos and aquariums are the leading experts in animal care and welfare, providing excellent care for more than 800,000 animals. This logo is your assurance that you are supporting an organization dedicated to providing excellent care for animals, a great experience for you and your family, and a better future for all living things.

Look for the AZA accreditation logo as the most reliable and easiest way to identify zoos and aquariums where high quality animal care and welfare are priorities and where there is a significant commitment to wildlife conservation.

For more information, visit www.aza.org.



AZA Vision

The Association of Zoos and Aquariums envisions a world where all people respect, value and conserve wildlife and wild places.



Accreditation

AZA accreditation ensures that the animals you visit at AZA-accredited zoos and aquariums receive excellent care. Each organization meets mandatory, rigorous standards for animal welfare and management, veterinary care, behavioral enrichment, nutrition, safety and staff training. AZA standards are continuously evolving and every accredited zoo and aquarium must go through the entire accreditation process every five years.

Connect with Conservation

AZA-accredited aquariums and zoos offer a fun and easy way to discover connections to the environment and to learn about protecting and preserving the planet. Every AZA-accredited zoo and aquarium promotes species conservation, habitat preservation, public education, field conservation, healthy animal populations, and research to benefit threatened and endangered species. Through AZA's Conservation Grants Fund, accredited zoos and aquariums support wildlife conservation programs around the world.

SAFE: Saving Animals From Extinction



One of the easiest conservation actions you can take is to continue visiting your local AZA-accredited zoo or aquarium. By doing so, you directly support the collaborative efforts of researchers, field conservationists, and animal care professionals from AZA-accredited facilities who are working together to save animals from extinction.