

Learn about Lemurs!

Lemurs are a very special group of primates that are only found on the island of Madagascar. There are over 100 different species of Lemur, many of them are endangered or critically endangered. Lemurs are found in many different habitats and have many different diets, but most are omnivores, eating mostly plants and some insects.

Communicate with Smells

Lemurs rely heavily on their sense of smell and leave scent markings to communicate. Male Ring-tailed Lemurs will have stink fights, waving their smelly tails at each other.



The Little Rock Zoo supports Lemur Love, an organization that helps to protect these endangered species in the wild!

Want to Learn more? Check out these links and activities!

Lemur Love and Lemur Conservation Network

<http://www.lemurlove.org/lemurs.html>

<https://www.lemurconservationnetwork.org/why-lemurs/>

National Geographic:

<https://www.nationalgeographic.com/animals/mammals/r/ring-tailed-lemur/>

<https://www.nationalgeographic.org/media/photo-ark-red-ruffed-lemur/>

Other:

Nat Geo - Lemurs Roam Free on This Ancient Island: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UjSia53nJBo>

Duke Lemur Center: <https://lemur.duke.edu/discover/meet-the-lemurs/ring-tailed-lemur/>

San Diego Zoo: <https://animals.sandiegozoo.org/animals/lemur>

Pollinator Puzzle

Each lemur has a role to play in its ecosystem, an animals role, or job, is called its niche. One of the important jobs that Black and White Ruffed Lemurs do is to pollinate flowers! They go from flower to flower, sipping delicious nectar, and in return they spread the flowers pollen, helping to produce seeds and fruit!

Cut out the puzzle pieces to make the picture of the Black and White Ruffed Lemur!

