

# Learn about Orangutans!

Orangutans means “people of the forest,” they are native to the islands of Borneo and Sumatra. The Little Rock Zoo is home to Bornean Orangutans. Orangutans are built for life in the trees, their long arms and long fingers make climbing and swinging from branch to branch and tree in the dense rainforest!

## Growing Up Learning

Young orangutans are dependent on their mom for the first 8 years of their life when they must learn all the lessons of finding fruit trees, building night nests, and other survival techniques before they set off on their own.



The Little Rock Zoo supports the conservation initiative of the Association of Zoos and Aquariums' Ape Taxon Advisory Group and Orangutan SAFE, both help to protect this endangered species in the wild!



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

AZA Ape Taxonomic Advisory Group:

<http://www.apetag.org/Orangutans.html>  
<http://www.apetag.org/conservationApe.html>  
<http://www.apetag.org/aboutTAG.html>

National Geographic:

<https://www.nationalgeographic.com/animals/mammals/group/orangutans/>  
A Rare Look at the Secret Lives of Orangutans: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0fts6x\\_EE\\_E](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0fts6x_EE_E)  
<https://www.nationalgeographic.org/video/til-orangutans-build-comfy-nests-sleep/>

Other:

Smithsonian Channel: Orangutan Jungle School: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QZstsSHJeI8>

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

# Find the Fruit!

It's not always easy finding food when you're an Orangutan, they have to remember which trees have fruit and where they can find those trees! Orangutans have new challenges too, deforestation, when forests are being cut down.

Help this Orangutan avoid the deforested areas (red) and find the fruit trees (green)!

