

Names, Sex, Birth Dates, Status, Anecdotes

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Hoffmann's Sloth: IUCN - Least Concern

Bosco M 19 Apr 92, Chalupa F 20 Feb 00, Bean sex unknown as of now born: 14 May 19

Sloth anecdotes:

- Bean born at CMZ summer 2019. parents = Chalupa and Bosco
- Bean is currently housed in the Loft. Chalupa and Bosco are currently housed in Scutes
- Chalupa and Bosco had been together for many years - it was thought that they were both males. Chalupa was tested and blood work was done... still thought she was a male. Then surprise, she gave birth!!

Tapir Exhibit --

Mountain Tapir: IUCN - Endangered

Cofan M 10 Oct 03

Tapir anecdotes:

- only 2 zoos in the USA keep mountain tapirs: CMZ and LA Zoo – only 6 in human care (LA zoo houses 5)
- Mtn Tapirs are the most endangered of the 5 tapir species - numbers are declining due to illegal hunting, loss of habitat to human dwellings and crops. Current estimates indicate about 2500 in the wild
- Carlotta was the oldest Mtn Tapir in the USA before she recently passed - she last gave birth in 2003. Cofan came to CMZ after 2003 in an effort to breed Carlotta - but it did not occur.
- Cofan enjoys water
- Cofan had a kidney removed in Feb 2021 and is doing well. Anatomy is very similar to

horses. Closest "relatives" are rhinos and horses.

- Cofan does voluntary e-rays, blood work, ultrasounds. Chin scratches is his best reward.
- Cofan is nicknamed the "labrador of the zoo" due to his friendly, easy-going personality. He enjoys chin scratches and armpit scratches and goes into "tapir trance" when scratched.
- several CMZ keepers have gone to Equador in 2018, 2019 and 2020 to track and collar Mtn Tapirs with the Andean Bear Foundation. Carlotta (CMZ tapir now deceased) was helpful in trying out one of the collars used in the study to make sure it fit well around her neck. For more info read the article in the April 2018 Waterhole.
- the CMZ has supported Tapir conservation programs and recent support has provided local organizations with dart guns and educational materials for local school children

Asiatic Black Bears: IUCN - Vulnerable

Honey 20 Jan 93, Beezler 20 Jan 93

Asiatic Black Bear Anecdotes:

- Honey's claws are longer than Beezler's and more golden... like they were dipped in honey. Beezler's white area under his chin is larger than Honey's. Beezler's claws are darker colored.