

ZOOS: CAGED FOR LIFE



- More than 800,000 animals are held captive for their lifetimes in U.S. accredited zoos.
- Zoos do not serve species conservation efforts; in fact, they distract from vital work in range states to save species from extinction.
- Most animals held in zoos do not belong to endangered species. Those who are will never be released to the wild.
- Zoos breed animals for display, not conservation.
- Stereotypic behaviors – a sign of extreme stress – are commonly seen in animals kept in zoos.
- Environmental, social, physical, and psychological needs of animals cannot be met in zoos.
- A visit to the zoo may be a few hours of fun for you, but it is a lifetime of misery for the animals.

Please do not visit the zoo.

