

# ***A WEEKEND ADVENTURE DRIVE***

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## **What's new at the zoo**





**IF YOU THINK** you've seen the animals at the zoo—consider which animals, and which zoo. Big-city zoos boast of thousands of animals, from shrews up to elephants, from tropical boas to alpine finches. New animals arrive every month, swapped, donated, bought—or just born. Smaller zoos out in the suburbs or the country offer special collections of regional wildlife, and often a lively camaraderie between keepers and animals.

You'll find many zoos now dispense with barred cages, and substitute moats, glass walls and plastic screens to let you see the animals clearly and close up. And in some "contact" zoos, your children can pet, feel or ride the animals picked for their patience.

Here, from your Union 76 Minute Man, is a guide to what's new at zoos, and the hope you enjoy one on your Weekend Adventure Drive.

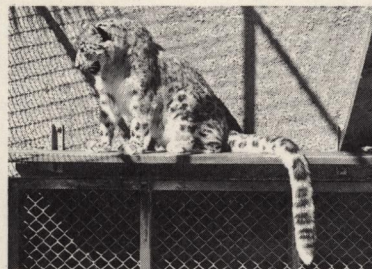


Stretching out its trunk, sensitive enough to pluck grass and strong enough to lift a log, an elephant reaches over the moat of its new compound. Baby elephants take nearly two years to arrive, soon stumble over their trunks.

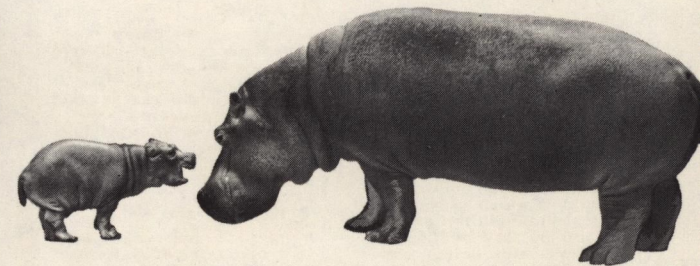
Begging bear puts on a show for peanuts, keeps cool in new pond and air-conditioned grotto. Latest beauty in many zoos is the snow leopard from the Himalayas, acclimatized over a year's time by gradual moves down to warmer climates. Spray and "ice floes" keep the penguins in Antarctic comfort; female lays a single egg out on the open ice, holds it in her lap for two months, then wraps the chick in a fold of warm skin.



Big birdcages, or "walk-through aviaries," let you wander through wooded, desert or tropical gardens among hundreds of chattering, feeding, furtive and free-flying birds.



Tunnel under a zoo lets visitors watch burrowing animals underground. Glass plate separates the children from this kit fox, and explanation panel lights up when they hold on to the railing. Some new installations pipe in authentic animal sounds, and at many zoos you can now buy a 50-cent key and tune in on tape-recorded facts about the animal you're watching.



Baby hippo is pink, often gets born underwater (and learns to suckle there), feeds on brush, grows to three tons.



## ZOOS YOU CAN VISIT IN WASHINGTON AND OREGON



### WASHINGTON

#### ① Vancouver (B.C.)

Rare trumpeter swans, new bear grottos and a huge penguin colony at the free, 400-animal zoo in forested Stanley Park just five minutes from downtown. Latest arrivals—six polar bear cubs and a penguin chick still in its down.

#### ② Everett

A dozen animals—deer, bear and monkeys—in a tiny zoo now being remodeled in the natural woodlands of Forest Park.

#### ③ Seattle

One of the world's largest zoos—nearly 2000 animals—spreads out among the picnic greens and hiking trails of Woodland Park four miles north from the center of the city. Here you'll see a 500-pound gorilla, a 200-pound tortoise and a tiger that has given birth to 35 cubs.

Kangaroos and giraffes peek at you through plate glass, and just a thin wall of laminated glass, built to withstand the smack of 350 pounds at 30 miles an hour, separates you from the cats. The whole show is free, and the latest animals include huge Crowned Pigeons, a pair of Malayan Tapirs, brilliant Lories and Lorikeets, rare wreathed Hornbills and three Celebes black apes.

#### ④ Tacoma

Some 300 birds and animals, including a pair of chimps, at the zoo in Point Defiance Park—and the old Fort Nisqually to climb, with its high corner bastions and views out over the Narrows and Sound.

### OREGON

#### ⑤ Portland

The new zoo in the West Hills overlooking the city—its "pachy-dorms" bursting with baby elephants and its Penguinarium asplash with Emperors and ice floes.

Streamlined zooliners and antique steam engines haul you among the exhibits and through the woods. Among the 1000 animals you'll find Russian brown bears and Japanese foxes (all exchanged for Oregon beavers), giraffes fresh from Africa and lions retired from Hollywood. Besides the big events among the elephants, the latest addition is a children's area called the "contact zoo," where animals can be petted, fed, ridden, smelled, hugged, prodded and otherwise sized up by small fry. Adults get into the Portland zoo for 35 cents, children age six to sixteen for 20 cents, younger children for free. Across the street, at the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry, you can watch a Micro-Zoo wiggle with magnified bacteria and a real hive swarm with bees.

#### ⑥ Eugene

A deer-and-elk paddock at Hendricks Park plus monkeys, bears and birds at Skinner's Butte.

#### ⑦ Ashland

A small zoo of a dozen animals in the huge, 100-acre Lithia Park—with raccoons, foxes, eagles, a coati, deer, pheasants and peacocks amid the landscaped lawns and wooded glens. Other exhibits (bee tree, beaver dam) in the nearby Southern Oregon Museum of Natural History.

#### ⑧ Klamath Falls

A tiny zoo in Moore Park with 16 exhibits of wildlife native to the Klamath River basin—and two monkey exhibits.

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