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Discover the natural world with these fun at-home activities!

BLANK PARK



EASTERN BLACK RHINOCEROS

Ayana: Female

Kiswahili name, means

"beautiful flower"

DOB: August 23, 2010

Tumani: Female

Swahili name, means

"hopeful"

DOB: October 11, 2016

Kamara: Female

Swahili name, means

"moonlight"

DOB: April 5, 2019

Eastern black rhinos are native to Eastern Africa: Republic of South Africa, Namibia, Kenya, Zimbabwe, Tanzania, Zambia, Malawi, Swaziland and Botswana.

They have poor eyesight but incredible hearing. While not aggressive these animals will charge if they feel threatened and can reach speeds up to 35 mph.

Ayana gave birth to Tumani and Kamara right here at the Blank Park Zoo. Their births are very important for the rhino population as a whole.



RHINO CONSERVATION



SAVE THE 5 SPECIES OF RHINOS ON 5/5

International Rhino Foundation (IRF)

works to ensure the survival of rhinos through strategic partnerships, targeted protection, and scientifically sound interventions.

All five rhinos are seeing decreasing population numbers due to a variety of reasons. You can support rhinos by joining "Go Wild for Rhinos" at www.rhinos.org and by learning about all five species.





The Black Mambas Anti-Poaching Unit

is the world's first all-female antipoaching unit. They are 36 young African women who patrol almost 50,000 acres of the Balule Nature Reserve, part of the Greater Kruger National Park, South Africa. Kruger is home to the largest population of rhino in the world and also is victim to more poaching attacks than any other area.



They protect the animal populations while elevating the surrounding communities. The Black Mambas Bush Babies program is based in schools in communities surrounding the areas where the Black Mambas patrol and works with children between the ages of 7 and 17. Over 2000 children across ten schools have been taught about the different behaviors of wildlife, how to protect them and have been given an introduction to ecology and conservation.



Scan to learn more about this incredible unit!



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Animals locally and globally need healthy and clean habitats to survive. Habitats are where animals make their home and it provides most of what that animal needs to survive.

How can you help?

By keeping our environment clean, reducing plastic usage, planting native flowers, tree and plants.

Join us on May 19th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. as we celebrate Discover the WILD: Rhino Day!

There will be educational activities, games and a keeper chat!

THINK LIKE A RHINO RANGER BINGO

Rangers protect rhinos and their native habitats.

VISIT A RHINO AT THE ZOO	REMOVE INVASIVE SPECIES	PLAY IN THE MUD LIKE A RHINO	TAKE A WALK AND PICK UP TRASH ALONG YOUR WAY	READ A BOOK ABOUT RHINOS
GO TO RHINOS.ORG AND LEARN A NEW RHINO FACT	DESIGNATE A RECYCLE BIN AT YOUR HOUSE	LISTEN FOR ANIMAL SOUNDS	DRESS LIKE A RHINO	VOLUNTEER FOR A CONSERVATION ORGANIZATION
TAKE A WALK AND FOCUS ON THE SOUNDS YOU HEAR	START A WILDLIFE JOURNAL	Free	EAT LIKE AN HERBIVORE FOR A DAY	LOOK FOR ANIMAL TRACKS
FIND EVIDENCE OF ANIMAL SCAT	DRAW AN ANIMAL YOU SEE IN NATURE	TAKE A REUSABLE BAG ON YOUR NEXT TRIP TO THE STORE	LOOK FOR ANIMAL HOMES	SHARE A FUN FACT YOU LEARNED ABOUT RHINOS
WRITE A STORY OR POEM ABOUT RHINOS	IDENTIFY THE FIVE RHINO SPECIES	RHINO HORNS ARE MADE OF KERATIN. FIND OUT WHAT PART OF YOUR BODY IS TOO!	EAT A SNACK WITHOUT USING YOUR HANDS	OBSERVE ANIMALS IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD



RHINO MEMORY GAME

Cut the cards out below and play a game of memory. Can you match the fact with the rhino's picture?



Javan Rhino







Black Rhino

Black rhinos are browsers. Their prehensile lip is adapted for grasping and holing leaves and branches of shrubs and trees.

Javan Rhino

Javan rhinos are solitary in nature and are rarely ever seen. Females have very small horns, and sometime no horn at all!

White Rhino

White rhinos are grazers. Their wide, square upper lip is adapted for feeding on grasses.

Greater One-Horned Rhino

Found in northern India and southern Nepal. When not grazing on land, they like to immerse themselves in water, where they also graze on aquatic plants.

Sumatran Rhino

The only two-horned rhino in Asia.

There are fewer than 100 of these rhinos left in the wild.



