

African elephants imported into China

2012-2018

Beijing Wild Animal Park

Import of 12 African elephants in May 2017

Elephants are said to be between 4 and 7 years old



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Chongqing Leheledu Safari Park

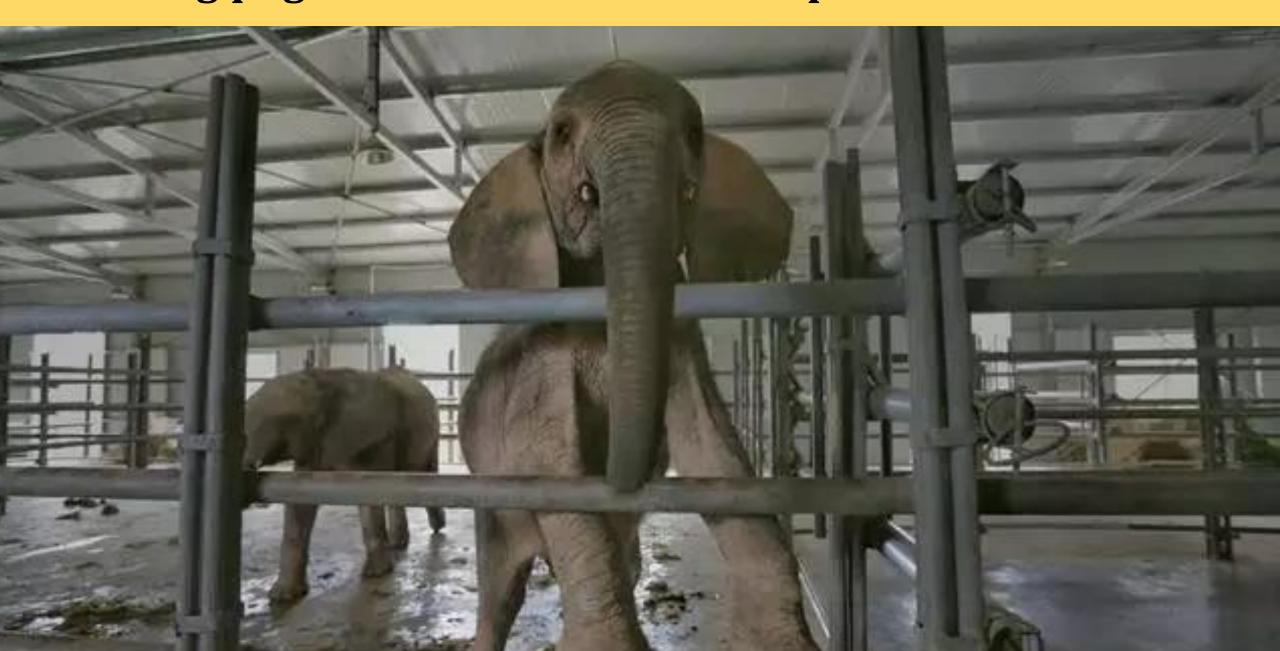
3 African elephants arrived in Sept 2017



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African elephants 'performing' during the Spring festival in Feb 2018

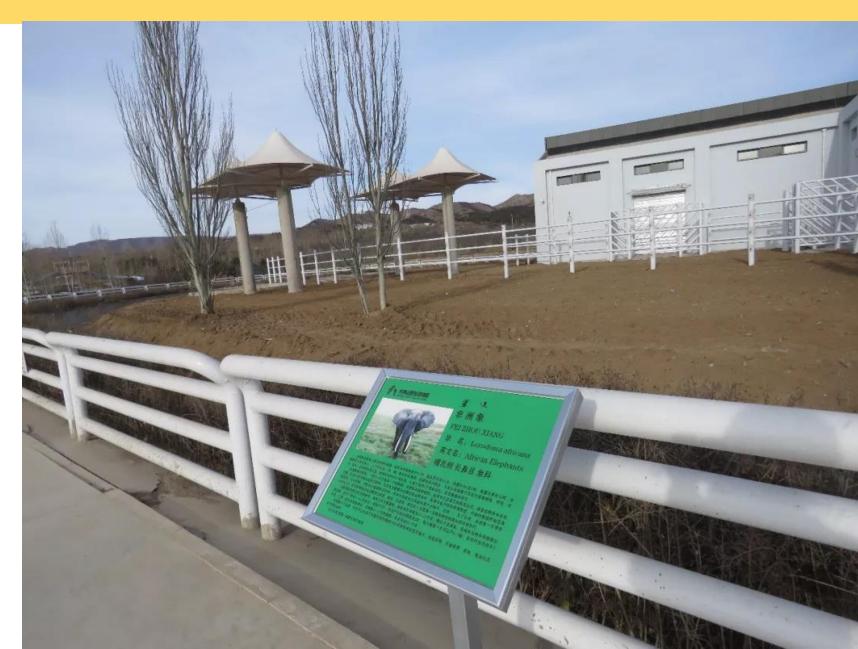


Chuanlord Manor, Foshan

Have been granted a permit in October 2016 to import African elephants https://www.gdf.gov.cn/index.php?controller=front &action=xzxkvie w&id=655

DaQingshan Wild Animal Park

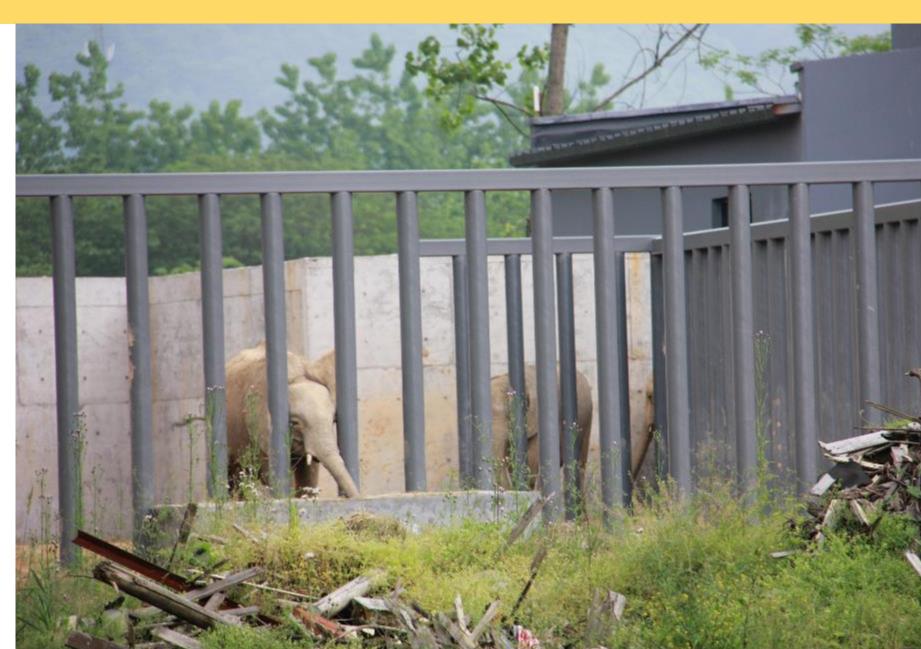
Announced they will get 4 African elephants in July 2017 and have an enclosure with signage oprepared



Hangzhou Wild Animal Park

Imported 6
African elephants
in December
2016

Photo taken in May 2017, park staff confirmed all six were still at the facility



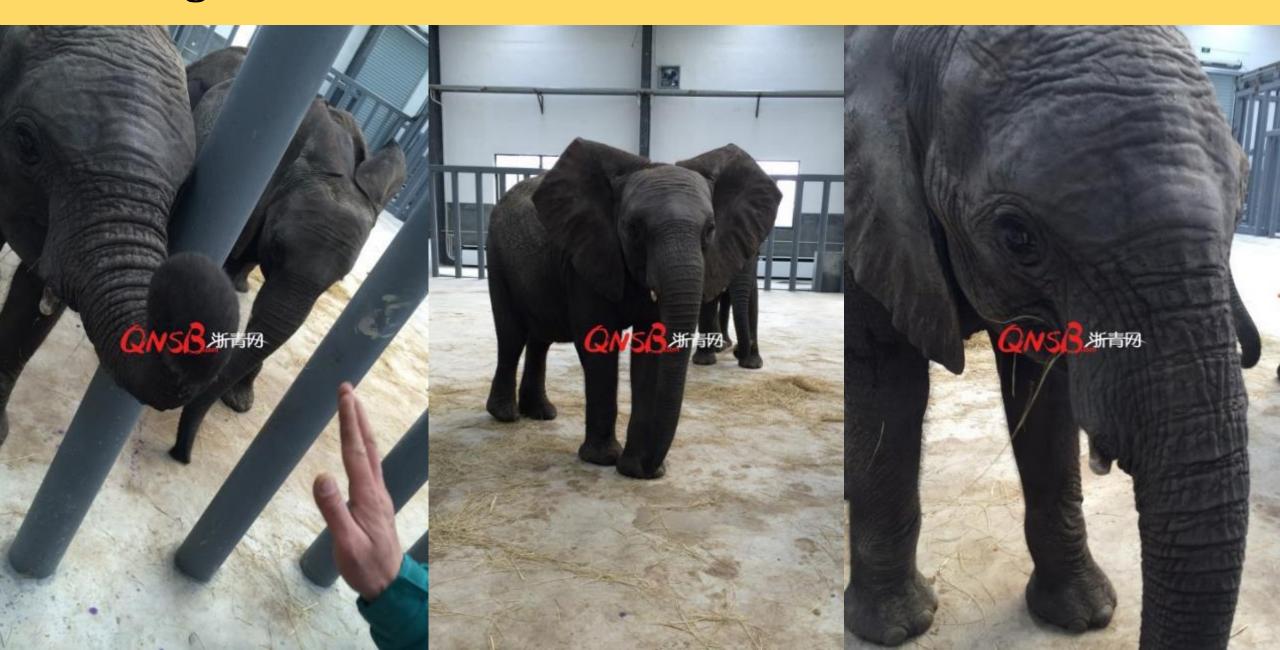
Hangzhou Wild Animal Park - December 2016



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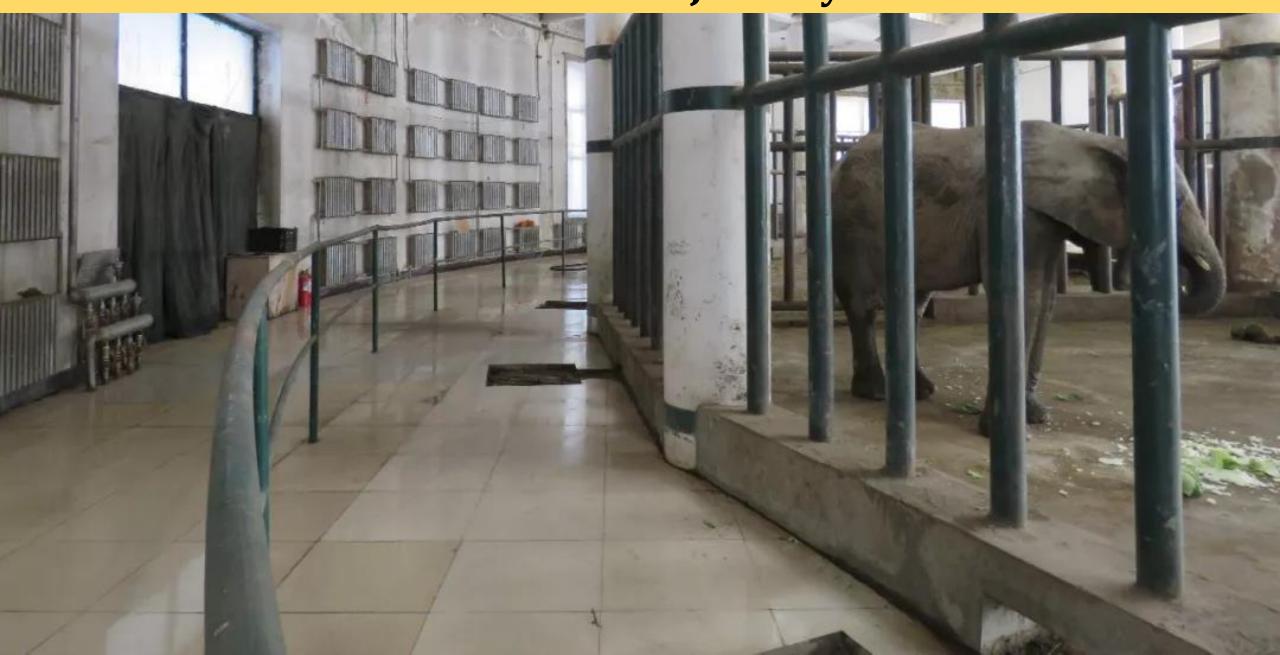
Harbin Northern Forest Zoo

One elephant 'Bella' arrived in Sept 2017 to join current elephant 'Peas'

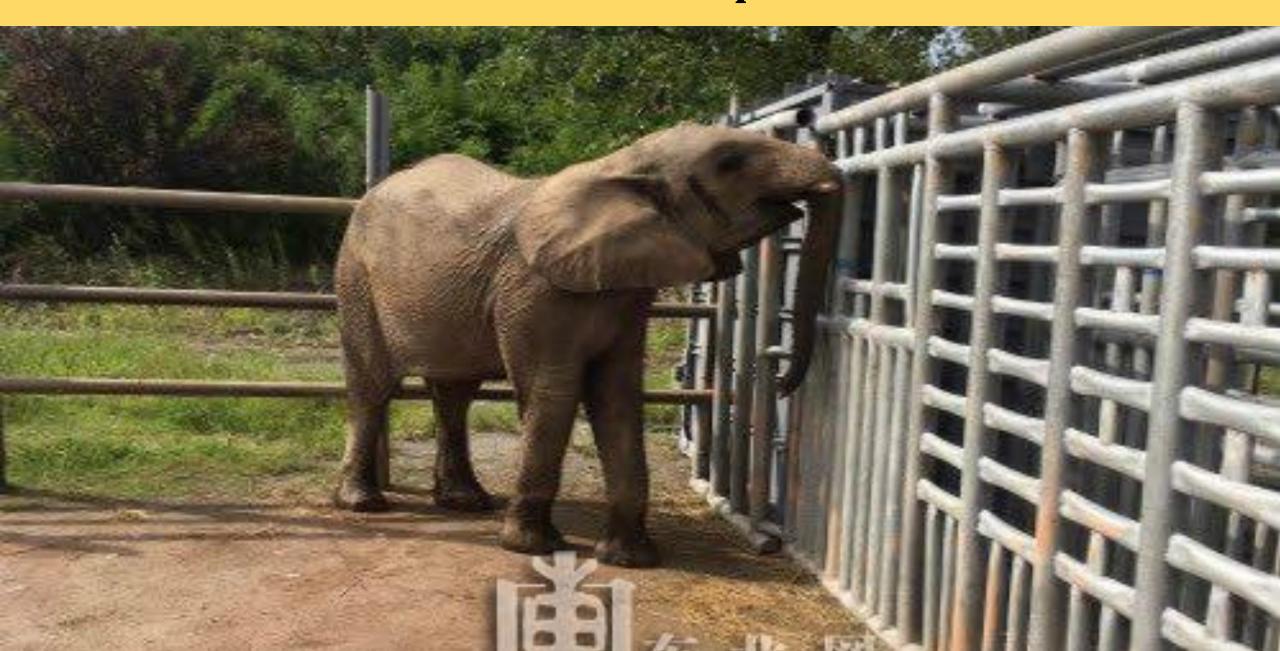
She is reportedly 8 years old



Harbin Northern Forest Zoo – January 2018



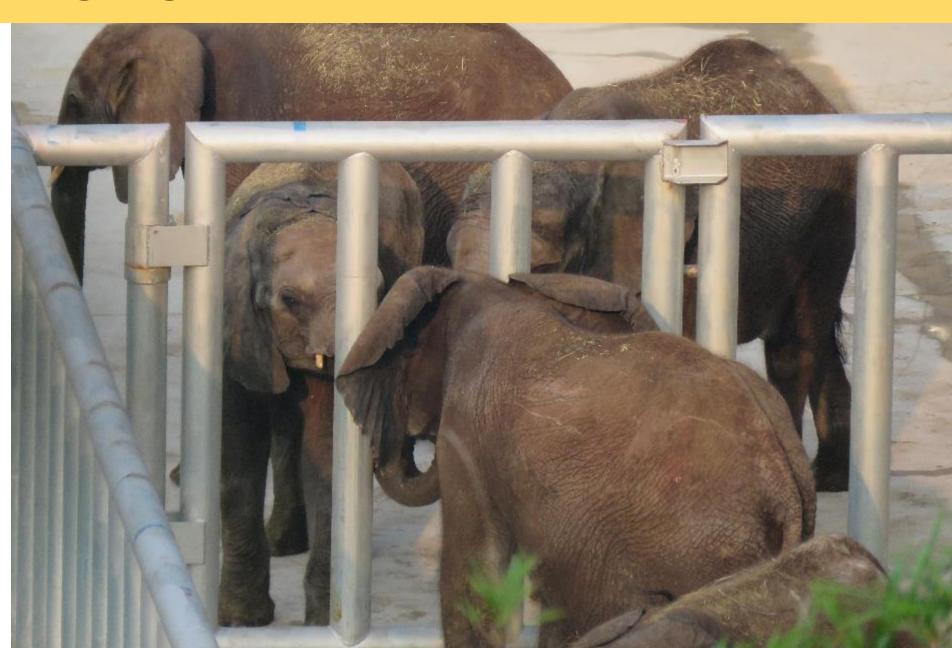
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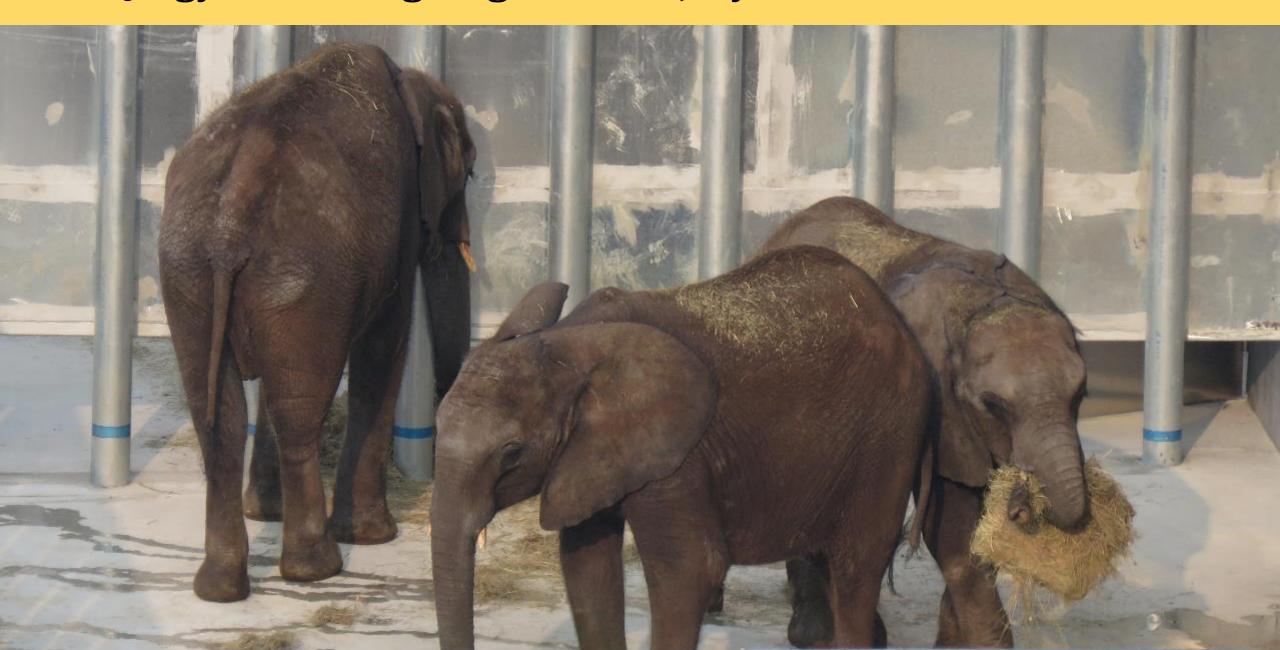


Qingyuan Changlong World

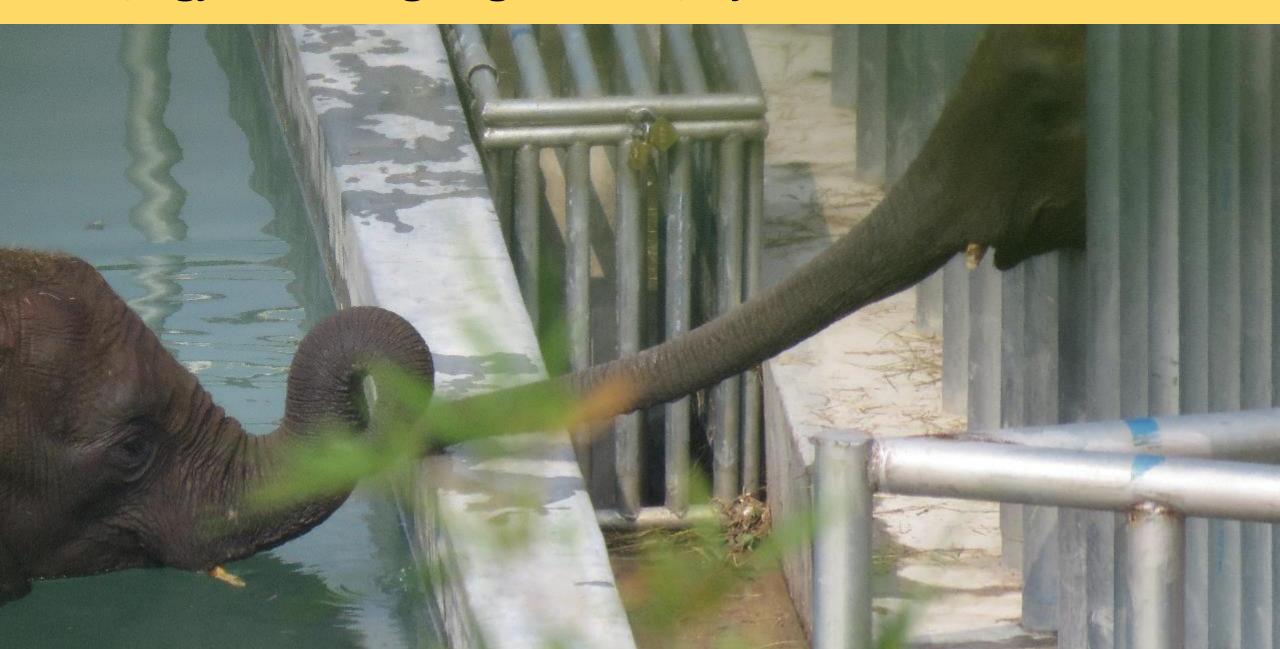
Qingyuan
Changlong World
is under
construction and
due to open in
2018

June 2015 -Import of 24 African elephants from Zimbabwe

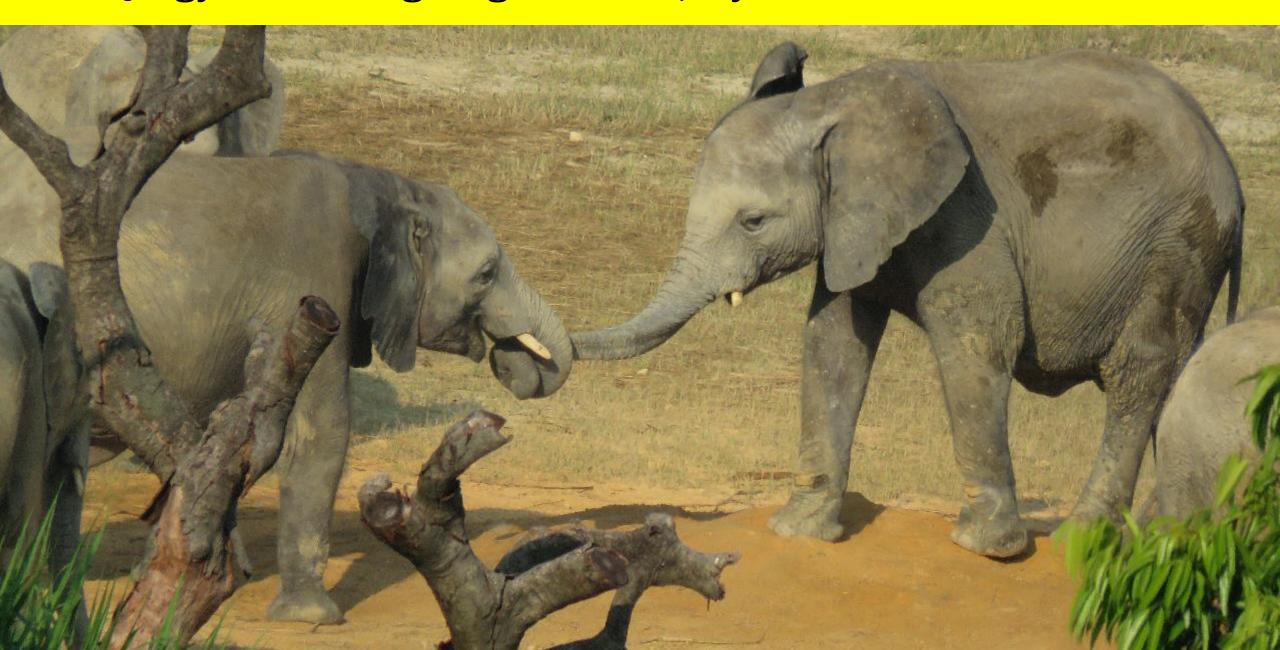














Shanghai Wild Animal Park

Shanghai Forestry Bureau website (Oct 2016) -Application by SWAP to import 17 African elephants from Zimbabwe

Shanghai Xuntian International Trade Ltd. imported 17 elephants in December 2016

Service status inquiries 办事事项 申请单位 上海野生动物园发展有限责任公司

办理状态 已办结 联系地址 上海野生动物园发展有限责任公司申请从津巴布韦进口非洲 由请事项所在地名称及地址 象17只(南六公178号) 联系人 谢春雨 受理编号 [2016]17-0122 受理时间 2016-10-13 受理人 lhsr 许可文号 沪林许[2016]239号 上海野生动物园发展有限责任公司拟从津巴布韦进口公约附 录II物种非洲象(Loxodonta africana)活体17只,用于教育展 批复内容 示及种用繁育。 批复日期 2016-10-20 对进出口国际公约限制进出口的陆生野生动物或者其产品的 许可事项

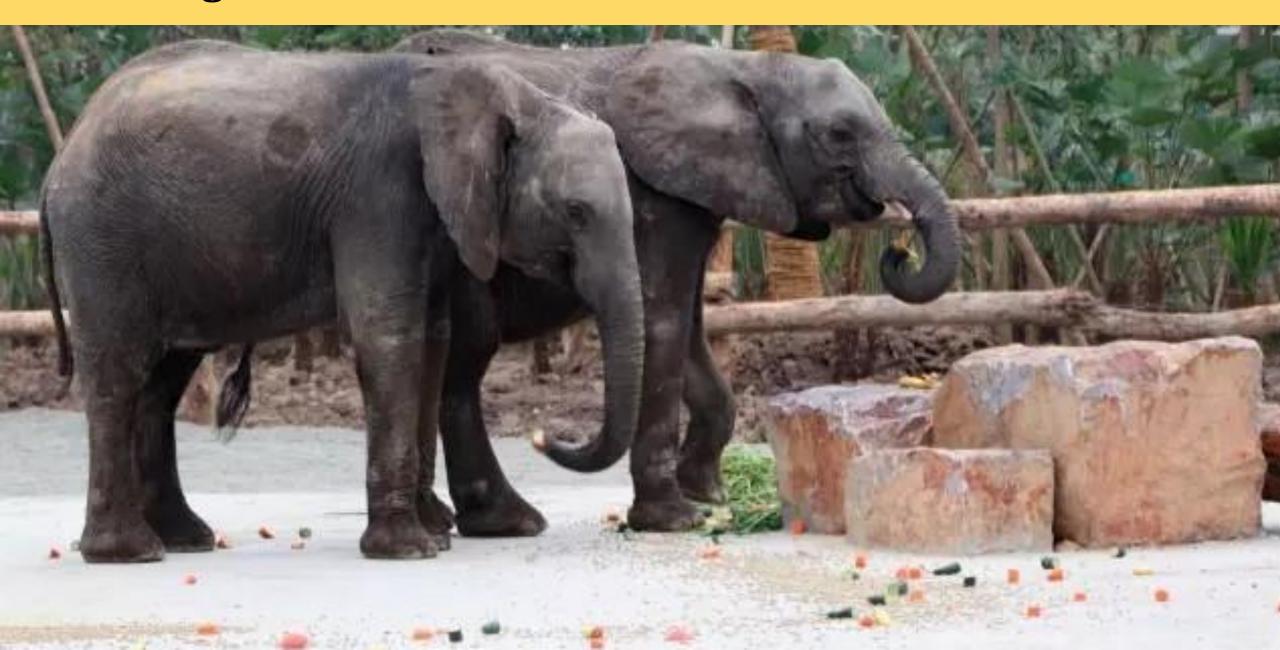
Imported elephants in December 2016

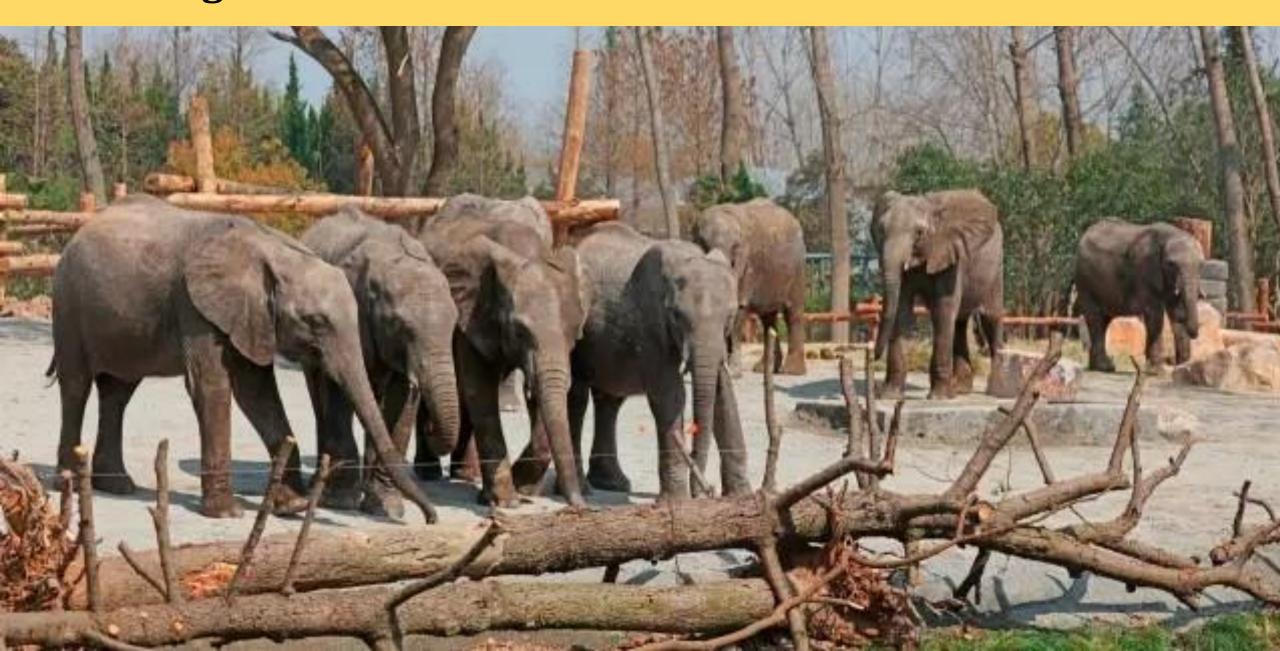
Publicly released information via wechat account and released 12 elephants into enclosure on March 31 2017.

Stated the elephants are 4-years old on average





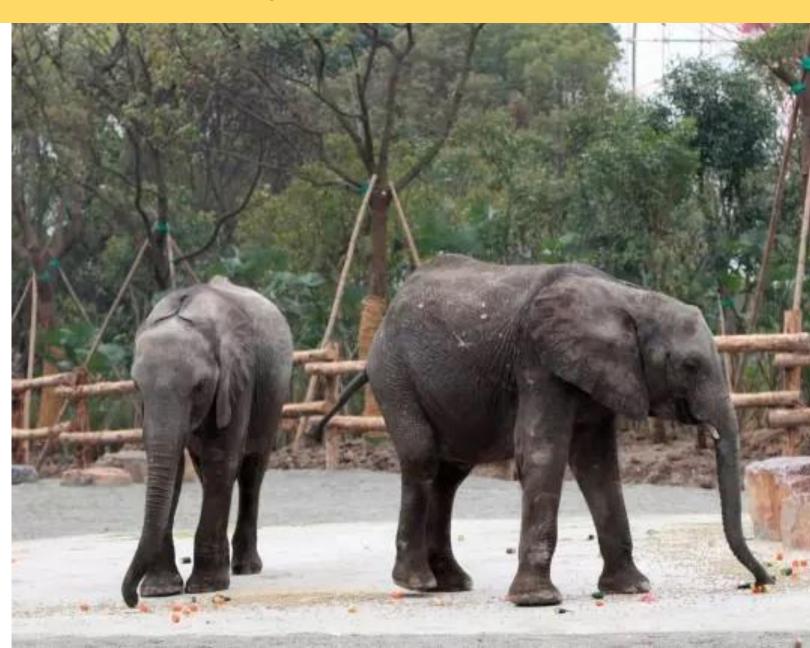






Shanghai Entry-Exit
Inspection & Quarantine
Bureau confirm via a public
disclosure request, that
they imported 17
individuals and one
elephant calf died in
transit.

The notice says the calf died due to stress during the anaesthetic process.



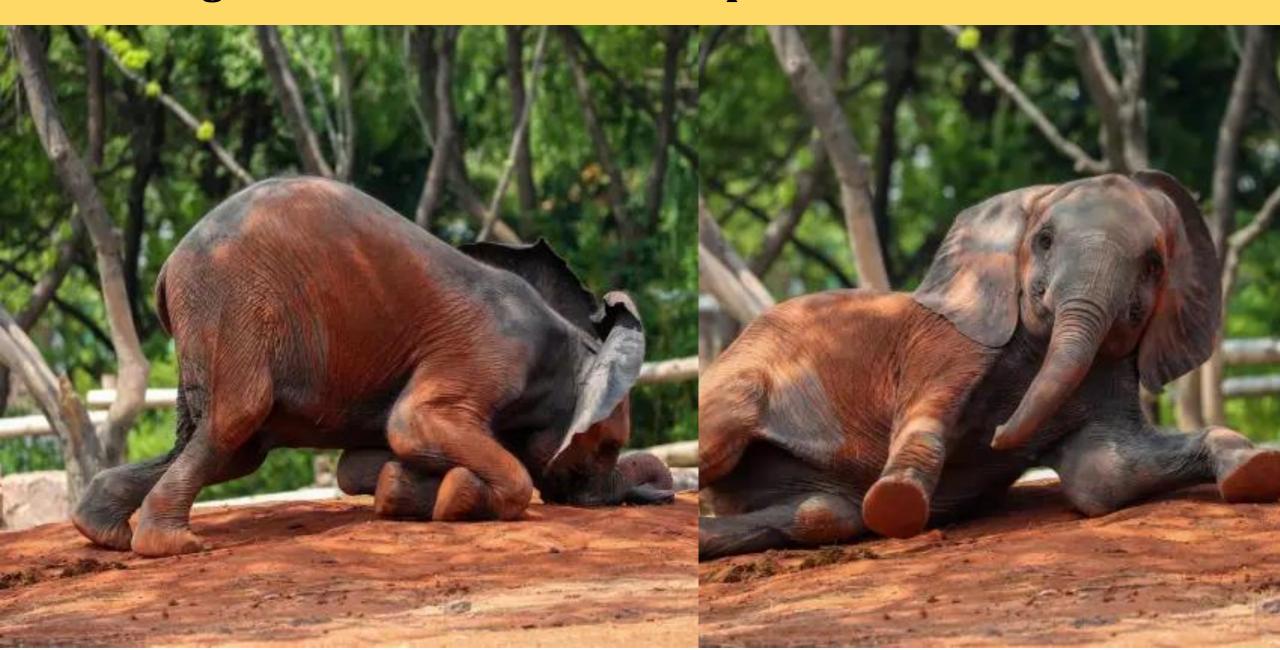
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Shenyang Forest Zoo

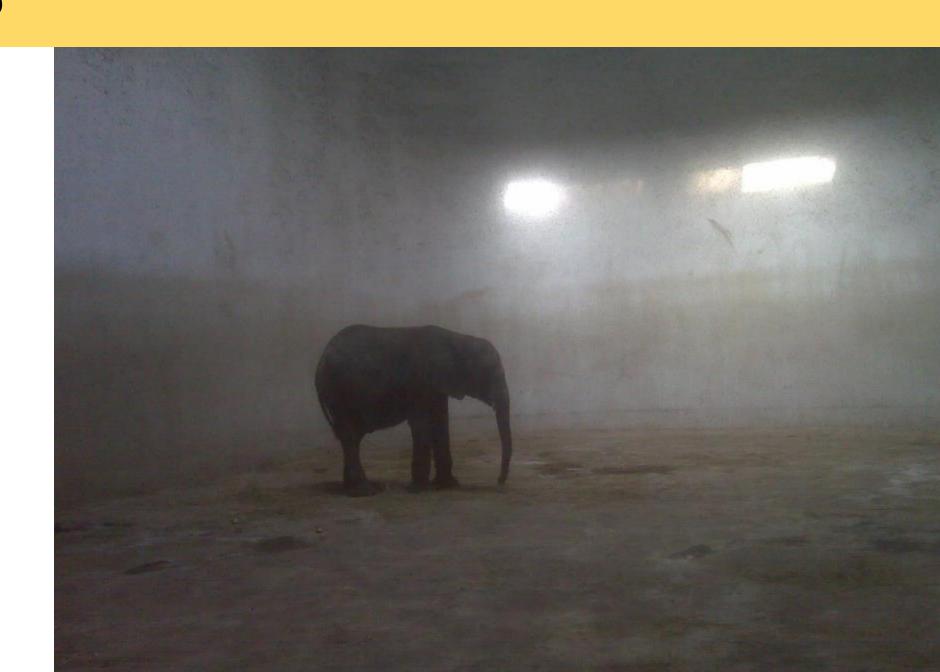


Taiyuan Zoo

Imported two elephants in 2012

One reportedly died in quarantine

Lone male still at zoo in 2018



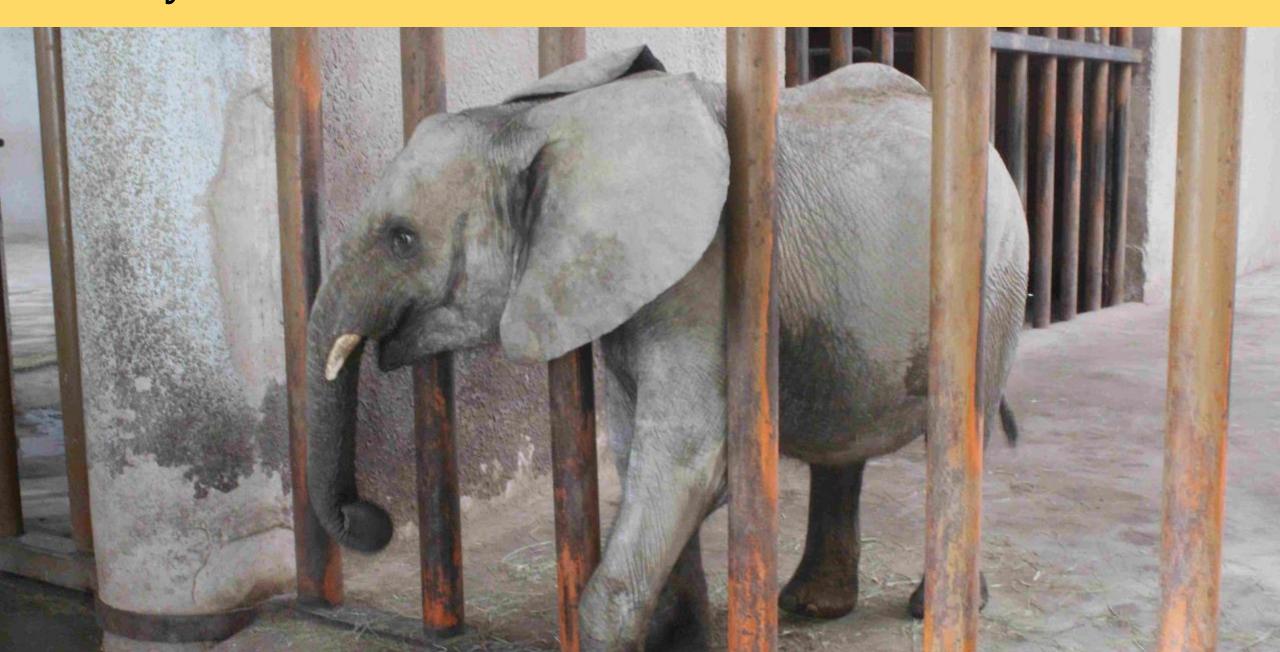
Taiyuan Zoo – November 2012



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Taiyuan Zoo – April 2016



Xinjiang Safari Park

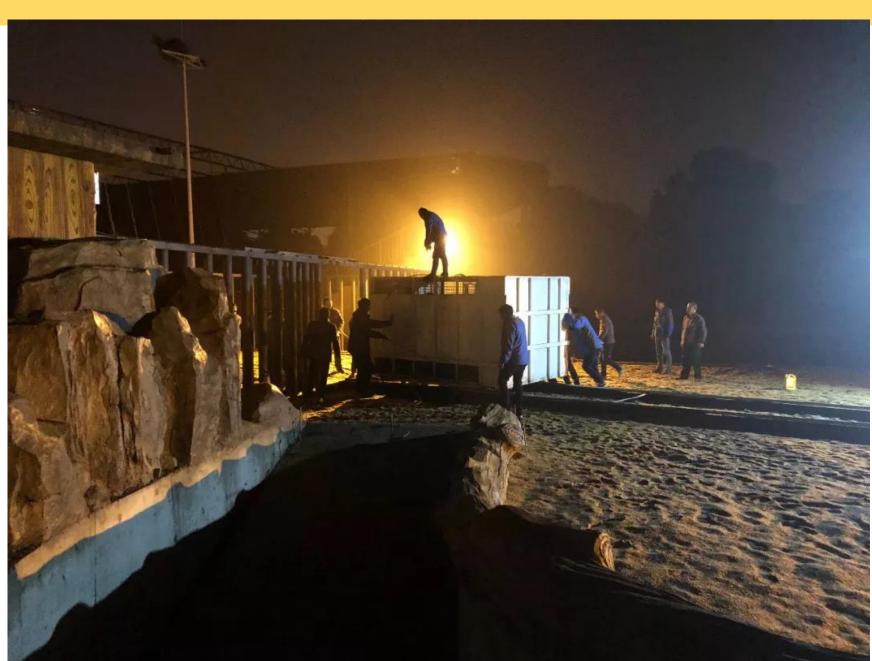
Imported two elephants in 2012

Both reportedly died in quarantine



Imported six elephants in 2018

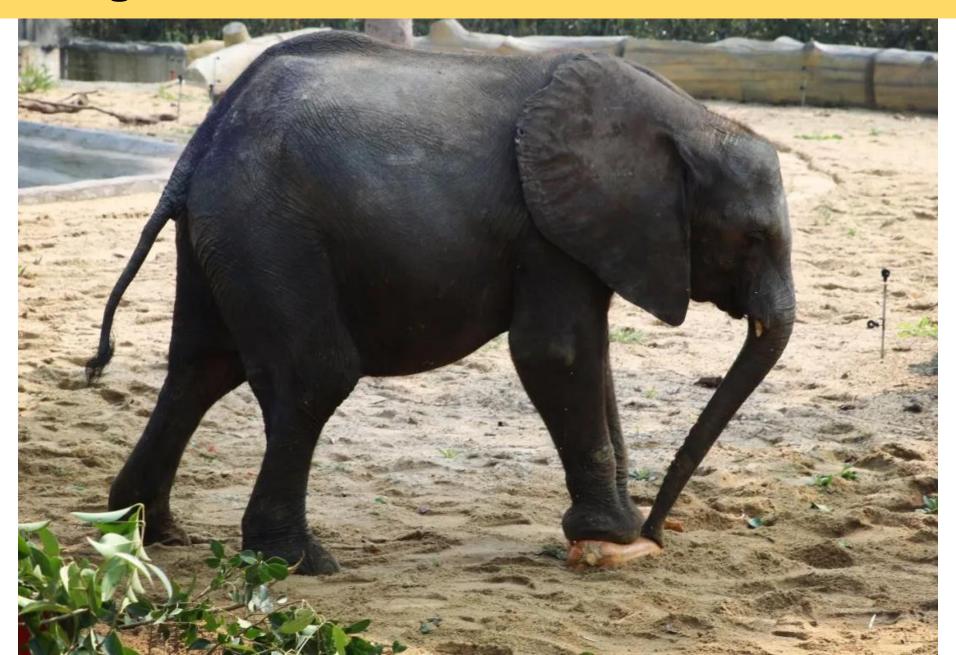
2 males and 4 females aged between 3-4 years





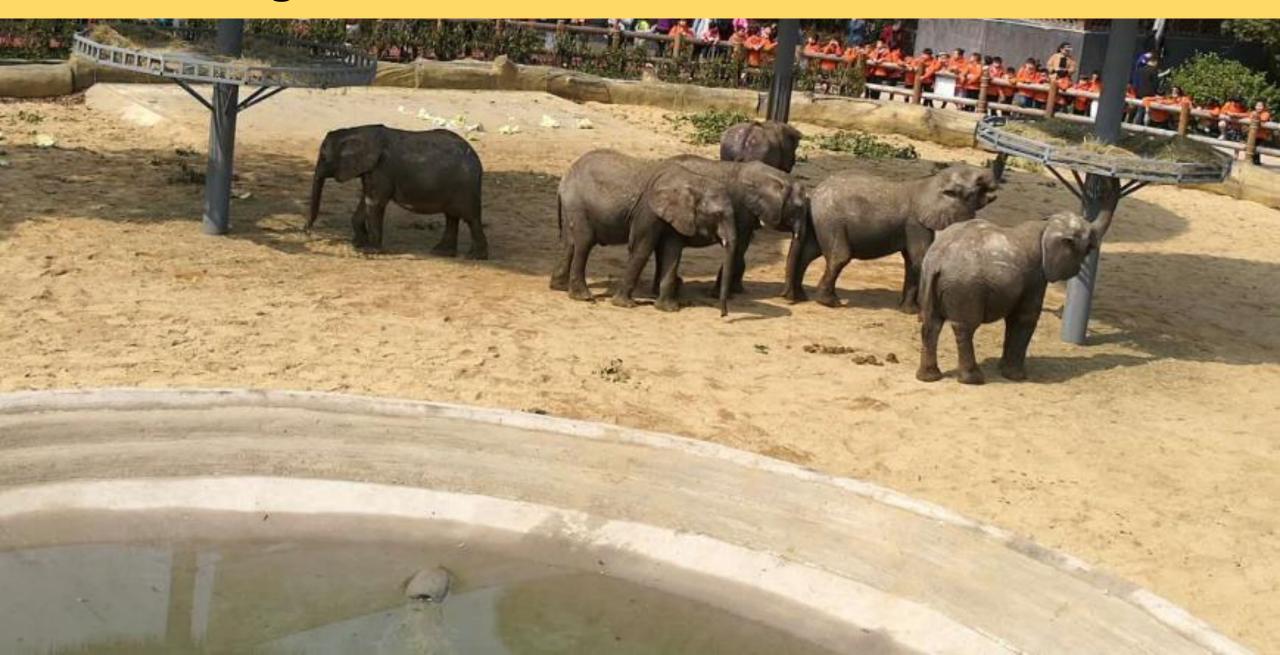


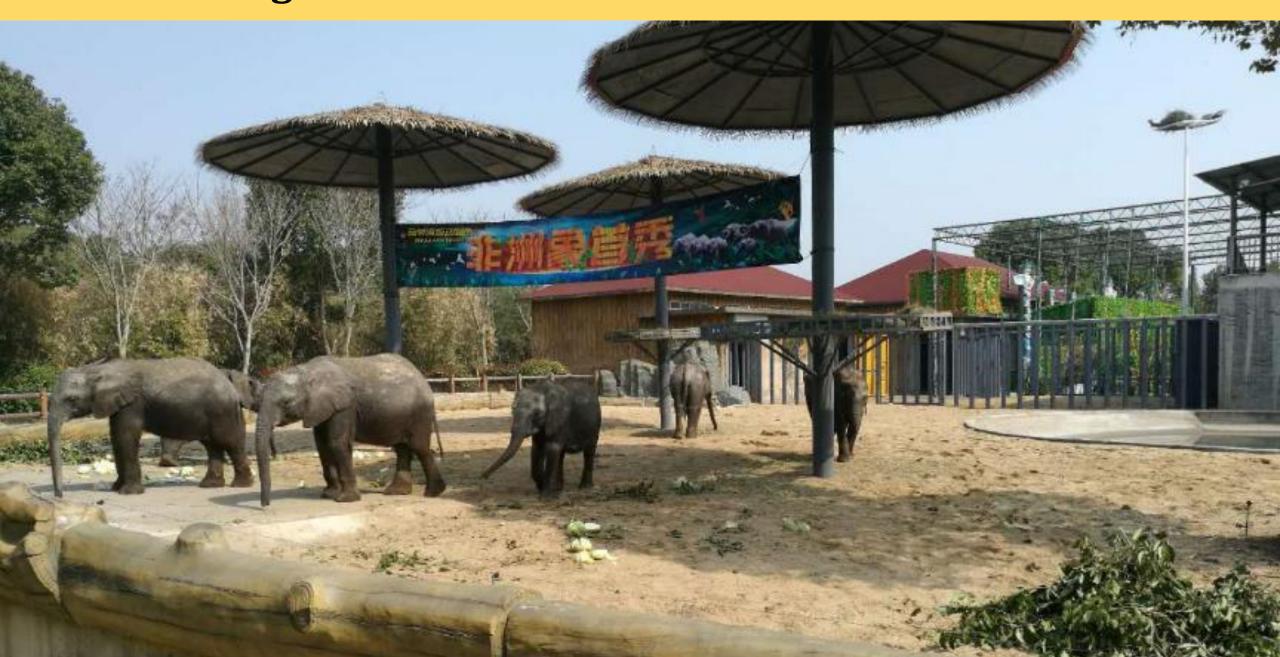












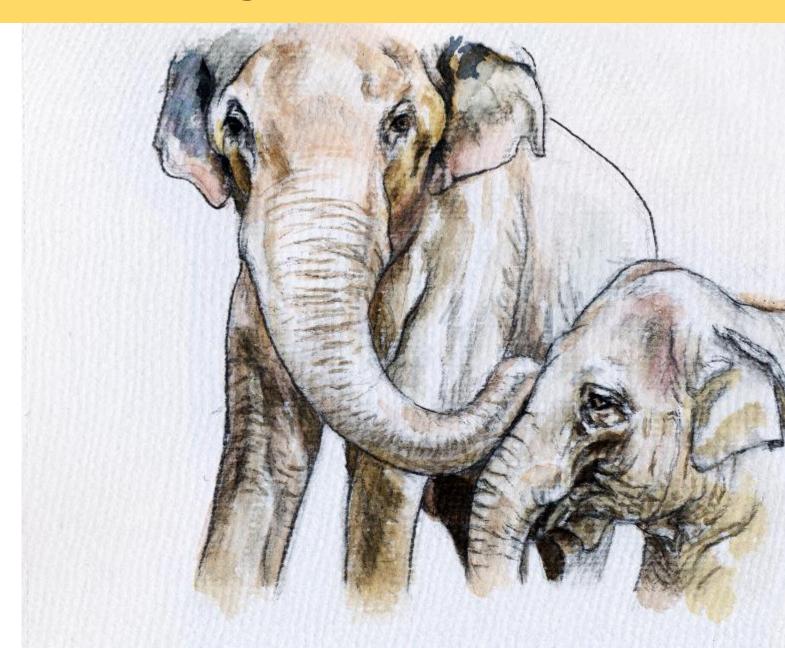
Chinese zoos and safari parks are managed by two national governing authorities. The State Forestry Administration (SFA) and the Ministry of Housing and Urban-Rural Development (MHURD).

The China Association of Zoological Gardens (CAZG) is a membership organisation which has developed under the umbrella of the MHURD to help facilities to develop according to the government regulations and standards.



The SFA, the MHURD and the CAZG have issued policies and standards relevant to the management of captive wild animals. Animal welfare concepts have been included within these policies and standards.

1. National Wildlife and Domestication Announcement, SFA, April 2015; this announcement bans close contact between wild animals and visitors and bans the use of animals in abusive animal performances.



- 2. CAZG 'Code of Management' April 2014
 - a. Section 3.2.4; exhibits should be designed imitating the natural habitat, and include environment enrichment.
 - b. Section 3.2.6; Social animals live together in groups in the wild, such social structure is the outcome of long periods of evolution. If social animals are housed solitarily, they will become stressed and can die. Social animals should not be solitary housed.
 - c. Section 5.1.1; enrichment should include environmental enrichment, social enrichment, cognitive enrichment and feeding enrichment. The enrichment, training and behavioural observation plan should be made according to the animal's natural history.



- 3. CAZG Ethics & Animal Welfare convention 2012; Section 4 states that zoos shall not accept illegal wild-caught animals.
- 4. MHURD 'Guidance on further strengthening zoo regulation' 2010; section 2.4 states that zoos should provide enclosures which meet the behavioural needs of the animals, and zoos must protect animals from disturbance or irritation, and section 3.1 bans the use of animals in abusive animal performances.





Until the cruelty ends