Lowland anoa ... a little buffalo with lots of character!





MEASUREMENTS

Length: 6 feet

Height: 3 feet at shoulder

Weight: up to 300lbs

Rainforest



Indonesia (Sulawesi)

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<2.500 in the wild

Care and Husbandry

YELLOW SSP: 78.99.4 (181) in 7 AZA (+4 non-AZA) institutions (2019) Species coordinator: Telena Welsh, Point Defiance Zoo & Aquarium telena.welsh@pdza.org; (253) 404-3800 x3712

Social nature: Solitary in the wild. Typically housed alone, in breeding pairs, or in small same-sex groupings (if individuals are compatible).

Mixed species: Anoa can be aggressive, so caution is advised. However, they have been successfully mixed with babirusa, primates, or otters. Success is improved if mixed at an early age.

Housing: Heat source required below 40°F. Enclosure must have options to shift and separate individuals. Mud wallows, sprinklers, and water features are well-used features in warm temperatures.

Medical notes: A generally healthy, hardy species. Mechanized restraint devices or chemical immobilization are recommended for handling.

Special requirements: Can be aggressive, especially during introductions; animals are usually introduced at a young age. Horn sheathing is common to reduce likelihood of injury during initial stages.

Keeper resources: Standard workload. Ornery individuals should be worked in protected contact.

Please contact the TAG for full husbandry guidelines.

http://www.azaungulates.org/

Why exhibit anoas?

- Get involved with ACTION INDONESIA, the new Global Species Management Plan for banteng, anoa, and babirusa! This exciting collaborative effort combines the expertise of in situ experts and zoo professionals to save these flagship species.
- Present a spokes-species for island endemism: the island of Sulawesi is home to anoa, as well as crested macaques, babirusa, maleo, and hornbills, all of which are facing similar conservation issues.
- . Open people's eyes to the diversity of wild cattle: anoas are so small, most people don't even recognize them as relatives of cows!
- . Enhance educational programming by interpreting the anoa's adaptations to forest life, including size, horn shape, diet, and social nature.
- · Take advantage of smaller exhibits, well-suited to the anoa's petite size and solitary nature.

Stewardship Opportunities

Support the Action Indonesia GSMP! For more information, contact James Burton. **IUCN Asian Wild Cattle Specialist Group Chair.** jamesaburton@yahoo.co.uk











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