

Collared peccary ... focus your attention elsewhere.

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Not a TAG-recommended species

Collared peccaries are being partially phased-out of AZA facilities in order to give priority to the Chacoan peccary SSP. Institutions are urged to replace the common, native collared peccary with Chacoan peccaries wherever possible.

Have you considered exhibiting Chacoan peccaries?

- Chacoan peccaries are highly endangered and in urgent need of conservation assistance.
- Collared peccary groups are being consolidated to create vital space for Chacoan peccaries.
- Both species are similar in appearance, with a characteristic "collar". Please consider breaking strict zoogeographic rules and display Chacoan peccaries in themed North American exhibits to support this important conservation program.

MEASUREMENTS

Length: 3 feet

Height: 1-1.5 feet
at shoulder

Weight: 30-60 lbs



Various habitats



The Americas

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Unknown #
in the wild

Stewardship Opportunities

The TAG recommends supporting Chacoan peccary conservation through Proyecto Tagua and the Chaco Center for Conservation & Research (CCCI).

<http://www.cccipy.org/>

Care and Husbandry

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Studbook: 22.19.1 (42) in 13 AZA institutions (2016)

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Social nature: Social. Can be maintained in large groups.

Mixed species: Successful with bison, elk, white-tailed deer, and in South American mixed paddocks (with combinations of guanaco, tapir, capybara, rhea, waterfowl). This species can be aggressive, especially when kept in large groups.

Housing: Supplemental heat is required below 40°F.

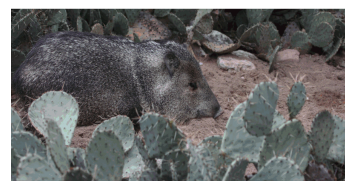
Medical notes: Generally robust.

Special requirements: Because of the TAG priority given to Chacoan peccaries, this population is being managed for partial phase-out. As a result, breeding collared peccaries is not advised unless institutions are prepared to hold offspring indefinitely.

Keeper resources: Standard workload. Although small, this species can be aggressive and is typically worked in protected contact.

Please contact the TAG for full husbandry guidelines.

<http://www.azaungulates.org/>



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