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Lemurs



Black-and-white Ruffed Lemur

Black-and-white ruffed lemurs are found only on the island of Madagascar. Their long and luxuriant black and white fur makes them easy to recognise. They get their name from the beautiful white ruff of fur that highlights their gorgeous face.

Habitat

These cheeky primates inhabit the primary and secondary rainforests on the eastern side of Madagascar.

Diet

They are highly frugivorous which means the main part of their diet consists of fruit, however they also eat leaves, flowers and are great pollinators of a species of tree called the traveller's palm.

Australia Zoo Black-and-white Ruffed Lemur profiles

Gwen

Gwen is a black and white ruffed lemur who arrived at Australia Zoo in May 2011. Since then she has rapidly won the hearts of everyone who works with her. She has a delightful personality and she laps up all the attention she can possibly get.

We spend as much time with Gwen as we can spare and this includes brushing her beautifully soft and thick black and white coat. Gwen is quite a confident girl and is always interested in what's going on around her home and meeting anyone new who comes to visit her.

Her favourite food by far is banana, but she also enjoys fig and grapes. She is very good at eating her vegetables but prefers them cooked rather than raw.

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