

Conservation Partner

WEST AFRICAN PRIMATE CONSERVATION ACTION



LOCATION

West Africa, Cote d'Ivoire

PARTNERS SINCE

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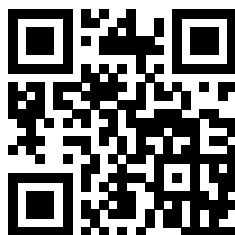
TULSA ZOO'S ANNUAL DONATION

\$7,000

LOGO



WEBSITE



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The Tulsa Zoo is working in partnership with West African Primate Conservation Action.

Diana guenon (*Cercopithecus diana*) lives high in the forest canopy and ranges from Cote d'Ivoire, Sierra Leone, and Liberia. They are classified as highly endangered and have had a population decline of 50% over the past 60 years due to overhunting. In addition, large-scale deforestation in the region, due to mining, logging, conversion to agricultural land, and charcoal production, has reduced the habitat range, especially in Cote d'Ivoire, where the species has seen population reductions by 80%. The Tulsa Zoo supports projects in Cote d'Ivoire at the Tai National Park to help save the highly endangered Diana monkey.

TULSA ZOO'S FOCUS: THE CREATION OF A COMMUNITY-MANAGED RAINFOREST CONSERVATION AREA

The goals of the conservation program are to help support satellite research stations in the Eastern region of the Tai National Park, which is outside of an established Western study grid. These satellite stations provide invaluable data on learning multiple aspects of the Diana guenon, along with other primate communities within the Eastern region of the park. The research investigates numerous activities such as feeding, ranging, social, communication, locomotion, disease ecology, predation avoidance, reproduction, life history, stress, etc. The data helps with developing reliable conservation strategies. The Tulsa Zoo's annual support helps with conducting these studies and with maintaining a presence that provides the needed protection for the Diana guenons and all other cercopithecoid species with overlapping ranges within the Eastern study grid.