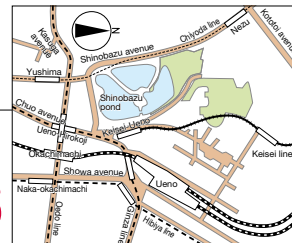


# Ueno Zoological Gardens



Administrator ■ Tokyo Zoological Park Society

- Location Taito Ward Ueno Koen Park, Ikenohata 3-chome.
- Contact Information tel:03-3828-5171 Ueno Zoo (9-83 Ueno Zoological Gardens, Taito-ku, 110-8711)
- Transport [To the main gate] - Walk 5 minutes from UENO (Yamanote Line), - walk 12 minutes from UENO (Tokyo Metro Ginza Line or Hibiya Line), or - walk 10 minutes from KEISEI UENO (Keisei Line).  
[To the Benten Gate]- Walk 5 minutes from UENO (JR Yamanote Line), - Walk 8 minutes from UENO (Tokyo Metro Ginza Line or Hibiya Line), or - Walk 4 minutes from KEISEI UENO (Keisei Line).  
[To the Ikenohatamon Gate]- Walk 5 minutes from NEZU (Tokyo Metro Chiyoda Line). Paid parking available inside Ueno Koen Park.
- Closed Mondays (the following day if the Monday is a national holiday), New Year's holidays (December 29 - January 1)
- Open 9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. (5:00 p.m. close)
- Admission Entrance fee: Adults ¥ 600, junior high school student ¥ 200, 65 years old and over ¥ 300  
\*children under elementary school or junior high school students living/attending school in Tokyo are free of charge
- Free days Park Opening Memorial Day (March 20), Greenery Day (May 4), Tokyo Citizens' Day (October 1)



Ueno Zoological Gardens was established on March 20, 1882, as the first zoo in Japan and celebrated its 130th anniversary in 2012. At the time of opening, the animals were limited to bears, monkeys, foxes, raccoons, water birds, and small birds. However, the zoo currently breeds and exhibits animals from around the world such as giant pandas and western gorillas.

## Viewing Animals

The active and healthy behaviors of animals are desirable. There is something about the behaviors unique to wildlife that fascinates people. Some of the examples are observing a polar bear's dynamic actions underwater, aye-ayes using their long middle finger to eat their food, and Japanese macaques playing with equipment in various ways beyond people's imaginations. Care has been taken to make the captive environment of natural habitats, and to allow wild animals to exhibit their abilities and instincts so that visitors can observe.



Japanese macaque



Polar Bear

## Viewing Habitats

By creating an environment that replicates the habitats of animals, visitors can see how they live. At the Gorilla Woods and Tiger Forest in the east section, western gorillas rest amongst the greenery and Sumatra tigers and Indian lions come in and out of

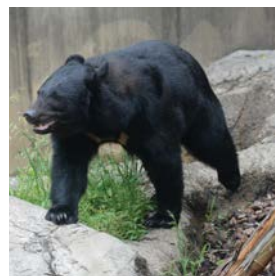
sight as they walk through the woods. At the Elephant Forest, you can see Asian elephants bathing in the dust and water. At the Bear Hill, you can see bears climb trees and play in the water. There is also a hibernation booth for Japanese black bears. The vivarium of amphibians and reptiles in the west section exhibits amphibians, reptiles, and fresh water fish that live in tropical regions and Japan. Along with their surrounding environments such as vegetation and sand, you can compare various aspects of animals resid-



Western Lowland Gorillas



Sumatran tiger



Japanese black bear



Japanese black bear monitoring

Date of Opening / March 20, 1882, Open Area / 144,048.73 m<sup>2</sup>

Main Animals / Giant panda, Asian elephant, Sumatran tiger, Western gorilla, polar bear, aye-aye, giraffe, okapi

Facilities: monorail (¥150 or middle schoolers and above and ¥80 for 2 year olds and older)

ing in a variety of settings such as how animals live and how they differ in body shapes.

## Historical Facilities

While there are new facilities including Wildlife Health Center (since 2016) and Children's Zoo STEP (since 2018), Ueno Zoo still has buildings that tell its long history in different parts of the park. Five-storied pagoda of former Kaneiji Temple (1639), Kankantei Teahouse, originally built by a feudal lord Toudou Takatora and restored in 1878, and Kankantei birdcage, which reflect the image of the park back in the old days when it was just opened.

Also, the monorail in the zoo is the first monorail in Japan, which started its operation in 1957. (Services will be suspended from November 1st, 2019) Also, the monorail in the zoo is the first monorail in Japan which started its operation in 1957.

## Enjoy more of Ueno Zoological Gardens

- Guided Tours  
Animal specialists help you observe each animal in detail as they guide you through the zoo.
- Section Guides  
Zookeepers and volunteers explain each animal in detail.
- Tokyo Parks Navi  
A zoo exploration app for smartphones and smart devices. It features videos of animals in action, assisting you in making your zoo exploration fun and learning deeply about the animals.  
In addition to these activities, various events are held throughout the year. The regularly scheduled event may be canceled or rescheduled due to certain circumstances. Visit the official website, "Tokyo Zoo Net," for details.

