



## ZooAmerica Fact Sheet

- DESCRIPTION:** ZooAmerica North American Wildlife Park is a year-round, 11-acre, walk-through zoo. It's home to more than 200 animals from five regions of North America.
- HISTORY:** ZooAmerica began as The Hershey Zoo in 1916, when Milton S. Hershey opened his private animal collection to the public. The Zoo closed in the late 1960s, but it reopened in its present format – a facility that highlights the animals of North America – on May 7, 1978. This year marks the 30<sup>th</sup> year that ZooAmerica has operated as a division of Hersheypark.
- EXHIBITS:** Animals at ZooAmerica now represent five regions:
- Big Sky Country
  - Cactus Community
  - Eastern Woodlands
  - Grassy Waters
  - North Woods
- OTHER FACILITIES:** ZooAmerica is home to a state-of-the-art Animal Management Facility that provides exceptional care for all its animals and includes specially designed areas for quarantine, infirmed care, surgery and X-ray procedures.
- AFFILIATION:** ZooAmerica is one of eight Pennsylvania zoos and/or aviaries with membership in the prestigious Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA).
- HOURS:** The Zoo is open daily year round (except Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day). Hours vary by season.
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