

Pygmy Slow Lorises

Scientific Name: Xanthonycticebus intermedius &

Xanthonycticebus pygmaeus

Distribution: Cambodia, China, Laos, Vietnam

IUCN Status: Vulnerable

Behaviour in Captivity:

The pygmy slow loris does not require a sleeping box, but instead would benefit greatly from a dense stand of bamboo. They will naturally seek shelter between the bamboo stands. Their enclosures must include a complex climbing structure with vertical, horizontal and diagonal angles. They are adapted to be able to climb and bridge gaps in the wild on branches of various diameters. They can be housed in a diurnal enclosure however guests will rarely see them. Reversed lighting enclosures can work well if the light used is red and NOT blue.

Feeding Ecology in Captivity:

Patches of bamboo should be sprayed with water daily as the loris will lick droplets. Diets of wild lorises consist of tree gum, nectar, insects and flowers.

Daily diet:

10g Gum Arabic (with mineral supplement)

4g insects (mealworms, crickets, locusts, cockroach, etc.)

50ml diluted lory bird nectar

20g non-leafy vegetables (e.g. sweet potato, cassava, eggplant, yams, broccoli, beans, carrots, peppers)



Greater Slow Loris

Scientific Name: Nycticebus coucang

Distribution: Sumatra, peninsular Malaysia, Thailand, Singapore

IUCN Status: Vulnerable

Behaviour in Captivity:

The greater slow loris does not require a sleeping box, but instead would benefit greatly from a dense stand of bamboo. They will naturally seek shelter between the bamboo stands. Their enclosures must include a complex climbing structure with vertical, horizontal and diagonal angles. They are adapted to be able to climb and bridge gaps in the wild on branches of various diameters. They can be housed in a diurnal enclosure however guests will rarely see them. Reversed lighting enclosures can work well if the light used is red and NOT blue.

Feeding Ecology in Captivity:

Patches of bamboo should be sprayed with water daily as the loris will lick droplets. Diets of wild lorises consist of tree gum, nectar, insects and flowers.

Daily diet:

10g Gum Arabic (with mineral supplement)

5g insects (mealworms, crickets, locusts, cockroach, etc.)

50ml diluted lory bird nectar

25g non leafy vegetables (e.g. sweet potato, cassava, eggplant, yams, broccoli, beans, carrots, peppers)



Bengal Slow Loris

Scientific Name: Nycticebus bengalensis

Distribution: Burma, Bhutan, Cambodia, China, India, Laos,

Thailand, Vietnam

IUCN Status: Vulnerable

Behaviour in Captivity:

The Bengal slow loris does not require a sleeping box, but instead sleeps curled in a ball on an open branch. Their enclosures must include a complex climbing structure with vertical, horizontal and diagonal angles. They are adapted to be able to climb and bridge gaps in the wild on branches of various diameters. They can be housed in a diurnal enclosure however guests will rarely see them. Reversed lighting enclosures can work well if the light used is red and NOT blue.

Feeding Ecology in Captivity:

Patches of bamboo should be available and sprayed with water daily as the loris will lick droplets. Diets of wild lorises consist of tree gum, nectar, insects and flowers.

Daily diet:

15g Gum Arabic (with mineral supplement)

5g insects (mealworms, crickets, locusts, cockroach, etc.)

50ml diluted lory bird nectar

40g non leafy vegetables (e.g. sweet potato, cassava, eggplant, yams, broccoli, beans, carrots, peppers)



Mysore Slender Loris

Scientific Name: Loris lydekkerianus

Distribution: South India, Sri Lanka

IUCN Status: Near Threatened

Behaviour in Captivity:

The Mysore slender loris does not require a sleeping box, but instead would benefit greatly from a dense stand of bamboo. They will naturally seek shelter between the bamboo stands. Their enclosures must include a complex climbing structure with vertical, horizontal and diagonal angles. They are adapted to be able to climb and bridge gaps in the wild on branches of various diameters but prefer small thin ones and they require horizontal branches for mating. They can be housed in a diurnal enclosure however guests will rarely see them. Reversed lighting enclosures can work well if the light used is red and NOT blue.

Feeding Ecology in Captivity:

Patches of bamboo should be sprayed with water daily as the loris will lick droplets. Diets of wild slender lorises consist largely of insects but variety in captivity helps maintain mineral balance.

Daily diet:

5g Gum Arabic (with mineral supplement)

10g insects (mealworms, crickets, locusts, cockroach, etc.)

10g non leafy vegetables (e.g. sweet potato, cassava, eggplant, yams, broccoli, beans, carrots, peppers)



Red Slender Loris

Scientific Name: Loris tardigradus

Home Countries: Sri Lanka

IUCN Status: Endangered

Behaviour in Captivity:

The red slender loris does not require a sleeping box, but instead would benefit greatly from a dense stand of bamboo. They will naturally seek shelter between the bamboo stands. Their enclosures must include a complex climbing structure with vertical, horizontal and diagonal angles. They are adapted to be able to climb and bridge gaps in the wild on branches of various diameters particularly small ones, and they require horizontal branches for mating. They can be housed in a diurnal enclosure however guests will rarely see them. Reversed lighting enclosures can work well if the light used is red and NOT blue.

Feeding Ecology in Captivity:

Patches of bamboo should be sprayed with water daily as the loris will lick droplets. Diets of wild slender lorises consist largely of insects but variety in captivity helps maintain mineral balance.

Daily diet:

5g Gum Arabic (with mineral supplement)

10g insects (mealworms, crickets, locusts, cockroach, etc.)

10g non leafy vegetables (e.g. sweet potato, cassava, eggplant, yams, broccoli, beans, carrots, peppers)



Javan Slow Loris

Scientific Name: Nycticebus javanicus

Home Countries: Indonesia (Java)

IUCN Status: Critically Endangered

Behaviour in Captivity:

The Javan slow loris does not require a sleeping box, but instead would benefit greatly from a dense stand of bamboo. They will naturally seek shelter between the bamboo stands. Their enclosures must include a complex climbing structure with vertical, horizontal and diagonal angles. They are adapted to be able to climb and bridge gaps in the wild on branches of various diameters. They can be housed in a diurnal enclosure however guests will rarely see them. Reversed lighting enclosures can work well if the light used is red and NOT blue.

Feeding Ecology in Captivity:

Patches of bamboo should be sprayed with water daily as the loris will lick droplets. Diets of wild lorises consist of tree gum, nectar, insects and flowers.

Daily diet:

15g Gum Arabic (with mineral supplement)

5g insects (mealworms, crickets, locusts, cockroach, etc.)

50ml diluted lory bird nectar

20g non leafy vegetables (e.g. sweet potato, cassava, eggplant, yams, broccoli, beans, carrots, peppers)