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Baby De Brazza’s Monkey Born at the Birmingham Zoo

BIRMINGHAM, AL – The Birmingham Zoo is proud to announce the birth of its newest family member. Around 11:35 AM (CST) on July 27, 2015, a De Brazza’s monkey was born. This is the second offspring for both fifteen-year-old mother, Brittany, and eight-year-old father, Huey. It is the most recent De Brazza’s birth since Poppy, their first offspring, was born at the Birmingham Zoo on Memorial Day in 2014. The new arrival is nursing and is in the process of bonding with its mother.

The Birmingham Zoo is a member of the American Association of Zoos and Aquariums and has joined with Aquariums and Zoos around the world in maintaining Species Survival Plans ® (SSP). An SSP is a cooperative breeding and conservation program. The Birmingham Zoo currently participates in 103 SSPs, and is an active member of the De Brazza’s monkey SSP. With this pregnancy, the Zoo’s veterinary staff were able to get an ultrasound and prenatal measurements, which will contribute to our understanding of De Brazza’s monkey fetal development. With this breeding effort, the Zoo continues its mission of “Inspiring Passion for the Natural World…through emphasizing Conservation, Education, Scientific Study and Recreation in all aspects of the Birmingham Zoo’s exhibits, programs, facilities and activities.”
Guests are invited to visit the Primate Building for the chance to see the new De Brazza’s monkey with its family during Zoo Fun Days on August 1, 2, 8 and 9. During Zoo Fun Days, guests can take advantage of $5 admission, $1 hot dogs, special activities and more. On Saturday, August 1 guests are invited to enjoy two concerts by Birmingham’s favorite musician for kids, Roger Day, at the Zoo’s Schaeffer Eye Center Wildlife Stage at 10:30am and 12:30pm.

For news and updates on the Birmingham Zoo’s baby De Brazza’s monkey, please follow the Zoo on Facebook, Instagram, Pinterest and Twitter or visit birminghamzoo.com.

Approximately 950 animals of 230 species call the Birmingham Zoo home, including sea lions, zebras, rhinos and endangered species from six continents. The Birmingham Zoo is open daily from 9am to 5pm. Regular admission is $15* for adults and $10* for senior citizens and children ages 2-12 (*Price not including tax). All Birmingham Zoo Members and children under two-years-old receive free admission.

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