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## **Meet the Newborn Monkeys at Dublin Zoo**

Dublin Zoo is celebrating the addition of two new monkeys to the Zoo family, a Sulawesi Crested Macaque born on April 23<sup>rd</sup> this year, and a white crowned mangabey born on April 11<sup>th</sup>.

The newborn macaque, who is not yet named, was born to father Sumo, who arrived at Dublin Zoo from Manor House Wildlife Park in October 2009 and mother Tanya, who has been a Zoo resident since 1997. The baby will share its new habitat with a group of nine other macaques.

The newborn white crowned mangabey, who is also not yet named, was born to mother Malull and father Danso and continues to thrive despite its mother's unorthodox mothering methods. The mother, Malull, can often be seen carrying her newborn upside down and not even close to her body. Malull's first surviving offspring, Monifa, often minds the newborn allowing her to gain valuable nursing skills for when her time comes to be a mother. Monifa manages to hold the baby upright and close to her chest.

**Why not take a trip to the Zoo today to catch a glimpse of these newborn monkeys before they grow up.**

### **Sulawesi Crested Macaque**

Originally a native of the Indonesian Island of Sulawesi, the crested macaque is approximately 18 inches in height and weighs between seven to 10 kilograms. The macaque spends most of its day on the ground foraging for food and socialising and the rest is spent in the trees sleeping. In groups, females always outnumber the males by 4.1. Generally the males leave the group upon maturity to form other groups of live life as a bachelor.

### **White Crowned Mangabey**

Originally from Western Africa, the mangabeys are known as Old World Monkeys and the species include many of the rarest monkeys in the world. They have dark skin, eyelids that match the facial skin and crests of hair on the top of their head. Standing 19 inches tall on average and weighing close to 11 kilograms, the mangabeys feed on fruit, nuts and seeds and sometimes even on cultivated crops such as maize and sweet potatoes.

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