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Wild

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Join us to learn more about
endangered species!



Meet the artists

Creating some of the world's most innovative public sculptures, Gillie and Marc are re-defining what public art should be, spreading messages of love, equality, and conservation around the world.

Designed by artists Gillie and Marc, *Wild About Babies* celebrates the incredible diversity of the animal kingdom and builds awareness of vulnerable species.

“The most successful and prolific creators of public art in New York’s History”

– NEW YORK TIMES



What can you do to help?

Reduce your ecological footprint by recycling, conserving energy, reducing the use of single-use plastic, and eating less meat.

Support conservation efforts by donating to organisations working to preserve habitats, support breeding programs and prevent poaching.

Choose sustainable and eco-friendly goods to avoid habitat destruction, for a more sustainable future.

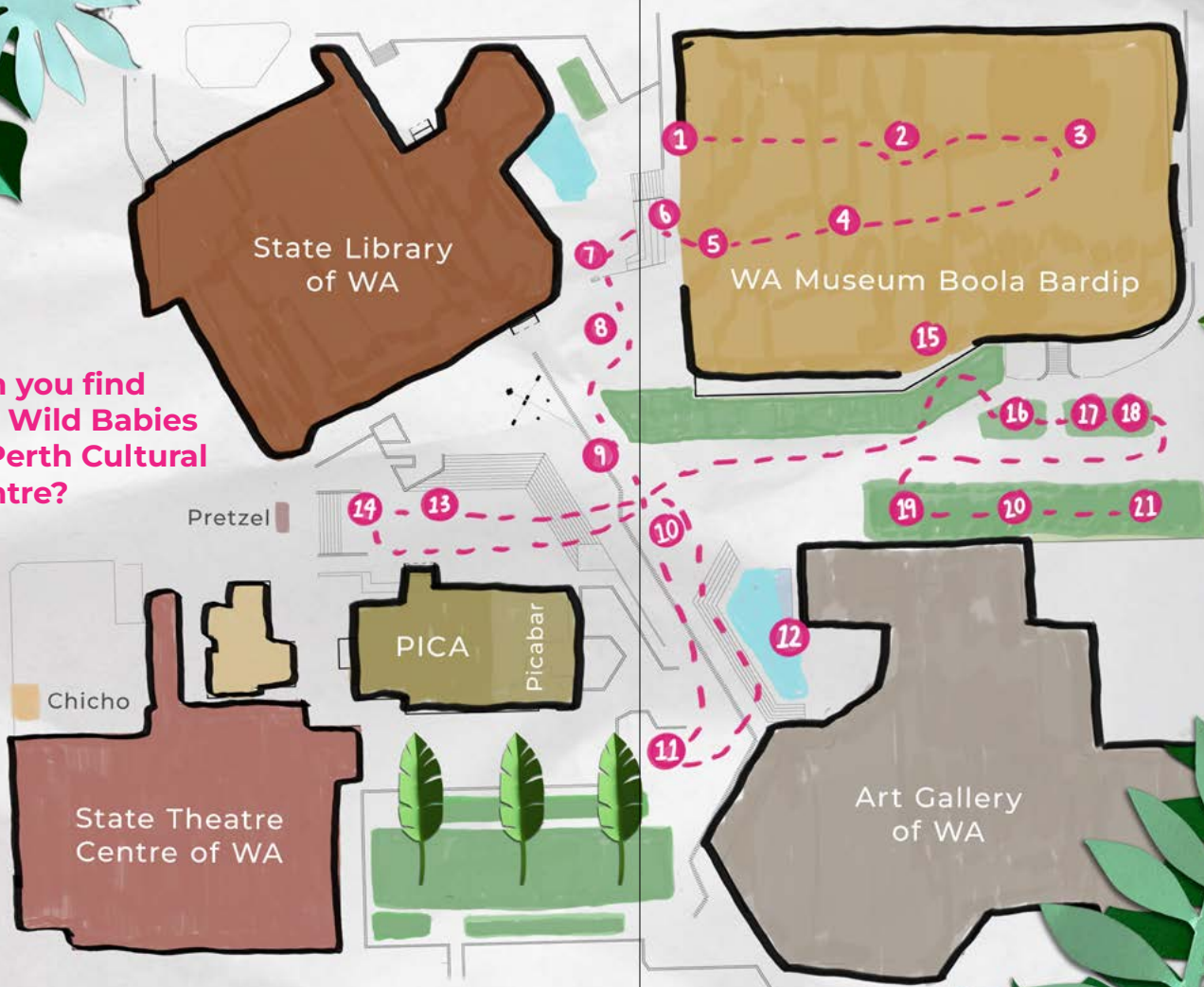
Educate others about the importance of endangered animals and the threats they face - these animals play a crucial role in our ecosystem.

Consider volunteering at a local wildlife centre or joining a conservation group.

Donate! Find out how you can support species recovery programs by visiting: museum.wa.gov.au/wild-about-babies



Can you find
our Wild Babies
in Perth Cultural
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WA Museum Boola Bardip

Pretzel

Chicho

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of WA

Can you match the sticker to the animal?

Next to each of our babies, you'll find space for their very own footprint sticker.

Once you visit the sculpture, don't forget to leave a footprint on its page!



Hippo



Indian Elephant



African Elephant



Arctic Fox



Polar Bear



Giant Panda



Eastern Lowland
Gorilla Mother



Giraffe



Rock Wallaby



Bengal Tiger



Marsican
Brown Bear



Cheetah



Sumatran
Orangutan



Lion



Giant Tortoise



Chimpanzee



White Rhino



Grevy's Zebra



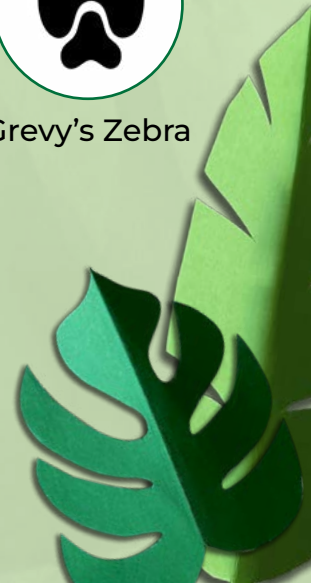
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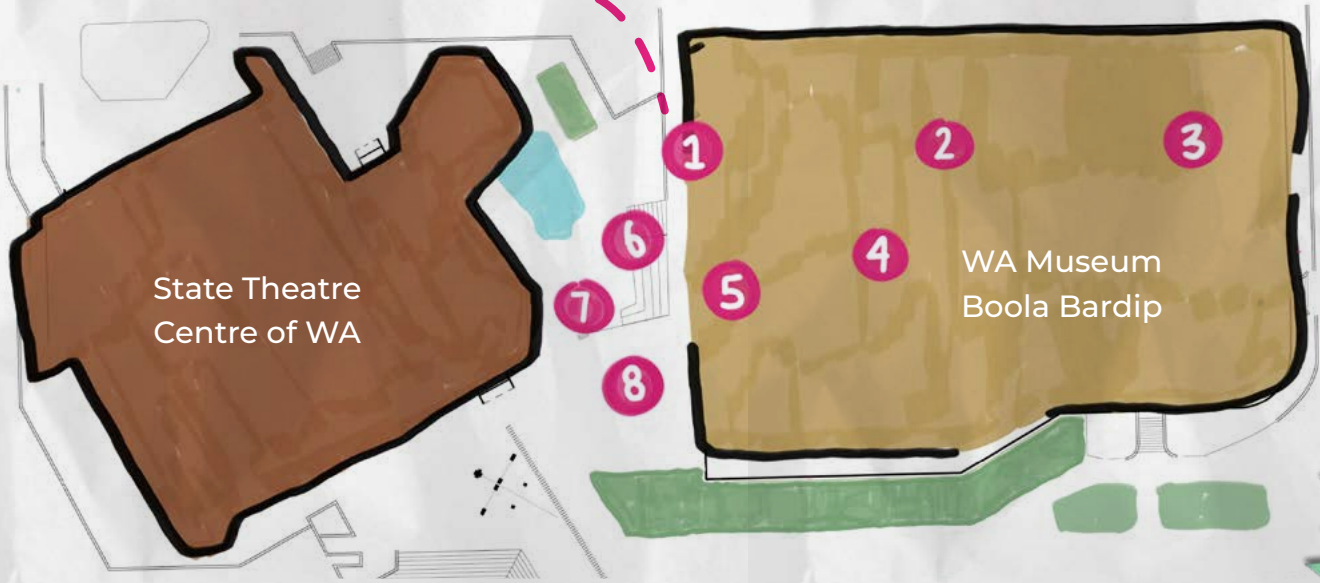
Leopard



Eastern Lowland
Gorilla Baby



Start your journey at
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Wild Mother Eastern Lowland Gorilla

Scientific Name:

Gorilla beringei graueri

Conservation status:

Critically endangered

Location:

Congo Basin

The eastern lowland gorilla—also known as Grauer's gorilla—is the largest of the four-gorilla subspecies. It is distinguished from other gorillas by its stocky body, large hands, and short muzzle.



2

Wild Baby Lion

Scientific Name:

Panthera leo

Conservation status:

Vulnerable

Location:

Africa

Drawn by:

Harper | Age 11

Happy to be in a pride, this lion cub is learning everything from the lionesses but is at risk from outside males, leopards, hyenas, and wild dogs.



3

Wild Baby Javan Rhino

Scientific Name:

Rhinoceros sondaicus

Conservation status:

Critically endangered

Location:

Indonesia

Drawn by:

Deegan C. | Age 9

This critically endangered baby rhino's biggest threat was being poached. There are only 74 remaining. Now they are protected, finding food is their greatest concern, with the Arenga Palm taking over and removing their preferred plants.



4

Wild Baby Giant Panda

Scientific Name:

Ailuropoda melanoleuca

Conservation status:

Vulnerable

Location:

China

Drawn by:

Lacey B. | Age 9

This baby panda's biggest threat is the loss of his habitat when he eventually leaves home. There are less than 2000 of his vulnerable kind left.



5

Wild Baby Giant Tortoise

Scientific Name:
Chelonoidis niger

Conservation status:
Vulnerable

Location:
Galápagos Islands

Drawn by:
Zeke B. | Age 11

This endangered baby is threatened by dogs and cats. She now competes with cows who eat her food, all introduced by humans.



6

Wild Baby African Elephant

Scientific Name:
Loxodonta africana

Conservation status:
Critically endangered

Location:
Africa

This little boy still doesn't know what his trunk is for. He is completely dependent on his herd, needing lots of milk from his mum and protection from predators. If his mother is killed for her ivory tusks he will not survive. Because of poaching his kind is vulnerable with approximately 415,000 left.



7

Wild Baby Cheetah

Scientific Name:
Acinonyx jubatus

Conservation status:
Vulnerable

Location:
Africa

Drawn by:
Mia | Age 10

This baby cheetah loves learning to pounce. She and her siblings have been following their mother around everywhere she goes, watching what she does and practising on each other in a fun game of rough and tumble. She is listed as vulnerable and must be careful.



8

Wild Baby Western Lowland Gorilla

Scientific Name:
Gorilla gorilla gorilla

Conservation status:
Critically endangered

Location:
Congo Basin

Drawn by:
Elias H. | Age 6

This gorilla is just a baby but loves to explore! He enjoys playing, chasing his siblings, learning all the important skills he needs to be a proper gorilla. He's happy to venture but always comes back to mum. Critically endangered, he is most threatened by the bushmeat trade and human diseases like the Ebola virus.



What animals can you discover here?



9

Wild Baby Sumatran Orangutan

Scientific Name:

Pongo abelii

Conservation status:

Critically endangered

Location:

Sumatra

Drawn by:

Eloise H. | Age 11

This baby loves to hang out with her friends but knows she always must come back to mum. She is critically endangered with less than 200,000 left. Her home is being destroyed for palm oil, her mum is targeted by hunters, and if she is caught, she will be sent to live as a pet.



10

Wild Baby Arctic Fox

Scientific Name:

Vulpes lagopus

Conservation status:

Least concern

Location:

Arctic regions

This little ball of white fluff is very curious to peek out one of the many entrances of his warm den. He has lots to learn before he can head out to the freezing outdoors by himself, but he dedicates his time to playing with his siblings and fattening up. He must be on the lookout for his biggest threats, the red fox and climate change.



11

Wild Baby Polar Bear

Scientific Name:

Ursus maritimus

Conservation status:

Vulnerable

Location:

Arctic Circle

Drawn by:

Isabella K. | Age 10

This cub is ready to explore his snowy home. He has been tucked in a den for winter and now it's time for him to play and get used to his legs before his long walk to the sea ice. His biggest threats are other polar bears who may try to kill him and habitat loss from the warming temperatures, leaving his species vulnerable.



12

Wild Baby Rock Wallaby

Scientific Name:

Petrogale

Conservation status:

Vulnerable

Location:

East Coast Australia

This young joey is ready to explore her rocky world. She is starting to spend more time away from mum's pouch, learning to navigate her harsh home. She is at threat from foxes and dogs, introduced by humans, leaving some of her species endangered. She'll hide in mum's pouch whenever things get too scary!



13

Wild Baby Hippo

Scientific Name:

Hippopotamus amphibius

Conservation status:

Vulnerable

Location:

Africa

Drawn by:

Charli G. | Age 9

This big baby loves being in the water. When it gets too deep, she can climb on mum's back, but can swim underwater. She is threatened by predators such as crocodiles, lions, hyenas, and big male hippos. Her vulnerable species have humans to blame for their shrinking habitat.



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Wild Baby Indian Elephant

Scientific Name:

Elephas maximus indicus

Conservation status:

Endangered

Location:

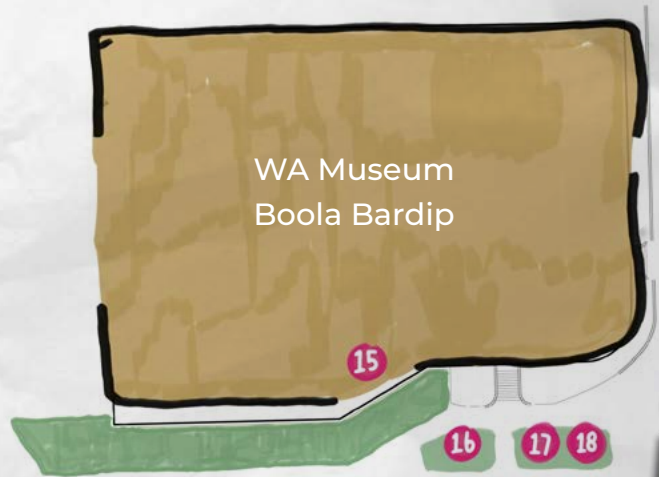
India

This endangered little girl loves spending time with her mum and her many aunties. She loves feeling safe with her giant protectors, knowing that no predators can touch her if she stays close. She always gets nervous when she comes close to where the humans live, her aunties can't always protect her from them.



Do you know any interesting facts about the animals you can find here?

Write them below!



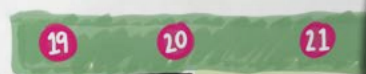
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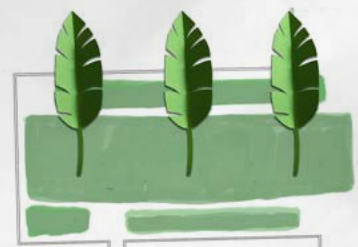
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Wild Baby Bengal Tiger

Scientific Name:

Panthera tigris tigris

Conservation status:

Endangered

Location:

Asia

Drawn by:

Charlene C. | Age 10

This endangered Bengal tiger is completely reliant on her mother. She won't be able to hunt for another 6 months and will stay with the safety of mum until she is 2 or 3, playing and learning all she can. There are less than 2500 left of her kind with the main reasons being poaching and habitat loss.



16

Wild Baby Giraffe

Scientific Name:

Giraffa

Conservation status:

Endangered

Location:

Africa

Drawn by:

Fizza S. | Age 8

He may be the tallest animal in the world, but this baby giraffe prefers to hide for now. At only 3 weeks old he is completely reliant on his mum, his only protection to kick any predators away. Just like his species, he is very vulnerable with only 111,000 of them left with humans taking over his habitat.



17

Wild Baby Leopard

Scientific Name:

Panthera pardus

Conservation status:

Vulnerable

Location:

Africa

Drawn by:

Isabelle N. | Age 10

This vulnerable leopard is finally ready to follow his mother around. He has spent his life in his den with his brothers, playing and wrestling while his mother moves them from one safe spot to the next. He is completely dependent on her and will need to learn to hunt to be independent.



18

Wild Baby Grevy's Zebra

Scientific Name:

Equus grevyi

Conservation status:

Endangered

Location:

East Africa

Drawn by:

Rida S. | Age 3.8

This endangered zebra is still very dependent on his mother. He still drinks her milk, but is watching what she eats, and where she goes, to learn what to do in case any predators are looming. His species has lost more habitat than any African animal, with only 2000 zebra remaining in the wild.



19

Wild Baby Chimpanzee

Scientific Name:
Pan troglodytes

Conservation status:
Endangered

Location:
Central Africa

Drawn by:
Evie F. | Age 7

This endangered little boy is a very curious chimp. He loves chasing and playing with his older brother but will always come back to the safety of mum. He is busy learning important skills like termite fishing and climbing, but must watch out for humans in case they snatch him to be sold as a pet.



20

Wild Baby Marsican Brown Bear

Scientific Name:
Ursus arctos marsicanus

Conservation status:
Critically endangered

Location:
Apennine Mountains, Italy

This critically endangered little bear is very special in Italy, where there are only 50 of his kind left! He is very curious and loves to explore and jump on his mother, learning all good bear skills while playing. He has made it through his most dangerous time. His greatest threat is humans, as they might mistake him playing for an attack, and shoot!



21

Wild Baby White Rhino

Scientific Name:

Ceratotherium simum

Conservation status:

Near threatened

Location:

South Africa

Drawn by:

Olivia S. | Age 12

This baby white rhino has just started to be weaned from her mother. She is still very dependent on her and will run to her at the sign of any threat. No predator, except humans, can get past her mum. Human beings are her only threat and are the reason there are only 2 of her critically endangered northern cousins left.



Illuminate: Wild About Babies

Daily | Sunset till late

Friday 19 May – Sunday 3 Sept

Night projections at Boola Bardip

It's time to build awareness of the crucial role animals play in our ecosystem, in the spectacular *Illuminate: Wild About Babies* night projection at WA Museum Boola Bardip.

This multisensory, and large-scale piece by VJzoo will mesmerise young and old as you witness vulnerable species in their natural habit.

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Around the Perth Cultural Centre,
you'll see some whiteboards with our
rock wallaby on them – pop by and draw
your favourite vulnerable or endangered
animal or draw one below!

