



## Species Fact Sheet



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### **Binturong**

*Arctictis binturong*

**Peoria Zoo Exhibit** **Asian Trail**

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**Habitat:** Dense forests where they are mainly arboreal-found in trees

**Range:** Southeast Asia

**Activity Cycle:** Nocturnal-active at night

**Size:** Usually between 20-44 pounds with a length of 24-38 inches

**Social Structure:** Typically solitary, they can be found in small groups of adults with young offspring

**Distinguishing Features:** They have long, coarse fur that is typically black with a long prehensile tail, small ears with white edges, and long whiskers.  
Binturongs have a distinct odor, smelling like corn chips or popcorn. They mark their territory with their scent.

**Diet:** Fish, birds, carrion, fruit, leaves and shoots

**Life Span:** 20 years or more in captivity

### **Did you know?**

***A binturongs' tail is prehensile, meaning they can use it to grip like another hand. This is helpful for them to climb trees***