

Mini S Exotic News

Conservation & Advocacy For Rare & Endangered Species



Owl Monkey Family



Egyptian Fruit Bats



Bettong

Mini S Exotics/C.A.R.E.S. is so excited to launch our new monthly newsletter to keep in touch with our supporters! We recently obtained our non profit 501c3 status and with that you can now get a tax deduction when you donate to our educational facility! As you already know we are available for educational events, schools, libraries, daycares, and private parties or events. We also offer private exotic animal tours. Let our professional care takers be your personal guide to some of the worlds most rare and endangered primates and exotic animals! There are 3 ways you can help now from the comfort of your home, see below:

1

Like us on Facebook

Share our page with our friends to get the word out!

2

SPONSOR AN ANIMAL!

Email: minisexoticzoo@gmail.com

3

SEARCH ONLINE USING GOODSEARCH

Put C.A.R.E.S. in as your favorite charity!

Mini S Exotic Zoo ENHANCES CUSTOMER LIST

Mini S Exotic Zoo recently acquired the long time customer database of Castleberry Exotics with the retirement of Janice Castleberry.

We would like to extend our sincere thank you and express our gratitude to Janice for all that she has done for exotic animal enthusiasts. Janice has been a reputable leader in exotic animal husbandry for over 20 years! We will all miss her, her newsletter, her advice and her wonderful babies she always raised with care.



Mini S will continue to give the Castleberry customers the level of customer service they received over the years and we will strive to meet their expectations. While we don't raise every species that Castleberry did, we do raise most or may be able to find for you the ones that we don't. We currently raise miniature horses, marmosets, tamarins, owl monkeys, wallabies, kangaroos, kinkajou, bettongs, bush babies, hedgehogs, sugar gliders and prairie dogs. We have also recently begun to raising ruffed lemurs, capuchins, muntjacs deer, fruit bats, African crested porcupines, pantagonian and chacoan cavies, armadillos and asian otters. Hopefully we will add babies of newer species soon!

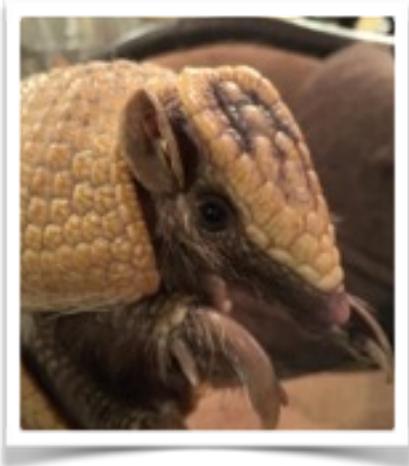
You should expect to receive newsletters and updates on animals you have previously expressed personal interest in. If you choose to opt out of the notifications you may do so using the link in the emails you receive.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to email me at minisexoticzoo@gmail.com. I look forward to building relationships with each and every one of you!

Best Regards,

Michelle Smith

Executive Director



Southern Three Banded Armadillo

The armadillo is a very interesting animal that you see pretty often in the south but yet not very many people actually know that much about them. Unlike the armadillo we have in Texas, The southern three banded armadillo is found in parts of northern Argentina, southwestern Brazil, Paraguay and Bolivia. They live in dry grassland and forest. Armadillos become sexually mature at 9 months and produce two litters a year. The gestation period is 60-75 days. They grow to be 8-10 inches long and 2.5-3.5 pounds!

The southern three banded armadillo and the other members of the genus Tolypeutus, the Brazilian three banded armadillo, are the only species of armadillo capable of rolling into a complete ball to defend themselves! The three characteristic bands that cover the back that allow it enough flexibility to fit its tail and head together, allowing it to protect its underbelly, limbs, eyes, nose and ears from predators. The shell covering its body is armored and the outer layer is made of keratin, the same protein that builds human fingernails. They are typical a yellow or brownish color. Unlike most armadillos, they are not fossorial, but will use abandoned giant anteater burrows.

The three banded armadillo had a long, sticky, straw like pink tongue that allows it to gather up and eat many different species of insects, typically ants and termites, and beetle larva. In captivity, armadillos also eat fruits and vegetables.

The species is threatened by habitat destruction from conversion of its native Dry Chaco to farmland. and from hunting for food and the pet trade.

AVAILABLE EXOTICS

Are you looking for exotics? Please with any exotic animal do your research before you call. Mini S Exotic Zoo LLC/ C.A.R.E.S. is an excellently rated USDA and Texas Parks and Wildlife accredited facility. We are a approved 501c3 non-profit and do not make a profit on our animals. We have been successfully raising marmosets and tamarins for over 20 years. Check our website www.minisexoticzoo.com for available exotics or our Facebook page for available or upcoming babies! We are located in East Texas. For more information call or text for a quicker reply 817-992-1253.

