# **Pygmy Slow Loris**

Scientific Name: Nycticebus pygmaeus

Distribution: Cambodia, China, Laos, Vietnam

**IUCN Status:** Vulnerable

#### **Behaviour in Captivity:**

The pygmy slow loris does not require a sleeping box, but instead would benefit greatly from a dense stand of bamboo. They will naturally seek shelter between the bamboo stands. Their enclosures must include a complex climbing structure with vertical, horizontal and diagonal angles. They are adapted to be able to climb and bridge gaps in the wild on branches of various diameters. They can be housed in a diurnal enclosure however guests will rarely see them. Reversed lighting enclosures can work well if the light used is red and NOT blue.

#### Feeding Ecology in Captivity:

Patches of bamboo should be sprayed with water daily as the loris will lick droplets. Diets of wild lorises consist of tree gum, nectar, insects and flowers.

# Daily diet:

10g Gum Arabic (with mineral supplement)

4g insects (mealworms, crickets, locusts, cockroach, etc.)

50ml diluted lory bird nectar

20g non-leafy vegetables (e.g. sweet potato, cassava, eggplant, yams, broccoli, beans, carrots, peppers)

#### **Greater Slow Loris**

Scientific Name: Nycticebus coucang

**Distribution:** Sumatra, peninsular Malaysia, Thailand, Singapore

IUCN Status: Vulnerable

#### **Behaviour in Captivity:**

The greater slow loris does not require a sleeping box, but instead would benefit greatly from a dense stand of bamboo. They will naturally seek shelter between the bamboo stands. Their enclosures must include a complex climbing structure with vertical, horizontal and diagonal angles. They are adapted to be able to climb and bridge gaps in the wild on branches of various diametres. They can be housed in a diurnal enclosure however guests will rarely see them. Reversed lighting enclosures can work well if the light used is red and NOT blue.

#### Feeding Ecology in Captivity:

Patches of bamboo should be sprayed with water daily as the loris will lick droplets. Diets of wild lorises consist of tree gum, nectar, insects and flowers.

# Daily diet:

10g Gum Arabic (with mineral supplement)

5g insects (mealworms, crickets, locusts, cockroach, etc.)

50ml diluted lory bird nectar

25g non leafy vegetables (e.g. sweet potato, cassava, eggplant, yams, broccoli, beans, carrots, peppers)

# **Bengal Slow Loris**

Scientific Name: Nycticebus bengalensis

**Distribution:** Burma, Bhutan, Cambodia, China, India, Laos,

Thailand, Vietnam

IUCN Status: Vulnerable

#### **Behaviour in Captivity:**

The Bengal slow loris does not require a sleeping box, but instead sleeps curled in a ball on an open branch. Their enclosures must include a complex climbing structure with vertical, horizontal and diagonal angles. They are adapted to be able to climb and bridge gaps in the wild on branches of various diameters. They can be housed in a diurnal enclosure however guests will rarely see them. Reversed lighting enclosures can work well if the light used is red and NOT blue.

#### Feeding Ecology in Captivity:

Patches of bamboo should be available and sprayed with water daily as the loris will lick droplets. Diets of wild lorises consist of tree gum, nectar, insects and flowers.

# Daily diet:

15g Gum Arabic (with mineral supplement)

5g insects (mealworms, crickets, locusts, cockroach, etc.)

50ml diluted lory bird nectar

40g non leafy vegetables (e.g. sweet potato, cassava, eggplant, yams, broccoli, beans, carrots, peppers)

# **Mysore Slender Loris**

Scientific Name: Loris lydekkerianus

Distribution: South India, Sri Lanka

**IUCN Status:** Least Concern

## **Behaviour in Captivity:**

The Mysore slender loris does not require a sleeping box, but instead would benefit greatly from a dense stand of bamboo. They will naturally seek shelter between the bamboo stands. Their enclosures must include a complex climbing structure with vertical, horizontal and diagonal angles. They are adapted to be able to climb and bridge gaps in the wild on branches of various diameters but prefer small thin ones and they require horizontal branches for mating. They can be housed in a diurnal enclosure however guests will rarely see them. Reversed lighting enclosures can work well if the light used is red and NOT blue.

## Feeding Ecology in Captivity:

Patches of bamboo should be sprayed with water daily as the loris will lick droplets. Diets of wild slender lorises consist largely of insects but variety in captivity helps maintain mineral balance.

#### Daily diet:

5g Gum Arabic (with mineral supplement)

10g insects (mealworms, crickets, locusts, cockroach, etc.)

10g non leafy vegetables (e.g. sweet potato, cassava, eggplant, yams, broccoli, beans, carrots, peppers)

#### **Red Slender Loris**

Scientific Name: Loris tardigradus

Home Countries: Sri Lanka

**IUCN Status:** Endangered

## **Behaviour in Captivity:**

The red slender loris does not require a sleeping box, but instead would benefit greatly from a dense stand of bamboo. They will naturally seek shelter between the bamboo stands. Their enclosures must include a complex climbing structure with vertical, horizontal and diagonal angles. They are adapted to be able to climb and bridge gaps in the wild on branches of various diameters particularly small ones, and they require horizontal branches for mating. They can be housed in a diurnal enclosure however guests will rarely see them. Reversed lighting enclosures can work well if the light used is red and NOT blue.

## Feeding Ecology in Captivity:

Patches of bamboo should be sprayed with water daily as the loris will lick droplets. Diets of wild slender lorises consist largely of insects but variety in captivity helps maintain mineral balance.

#### Daily diet:

5g Gum Arabic (with mineral supplement)

10g insects (mealworms, crickets, locusts, cockroach, etc.)

10g non leafy vegetables (e.g. sweet potato, cassava, eggplant, yams, broccoli, beans, carrots, peppers)

#### **Javan Slow Loris**

Scientific Name: Nycticebus javanicus

Home Countries: Indonesia (Java)

**IUCN Status:** Critically Endangered

## **Behaviour in Captivity:**

The Javan slow loris does not require a sleeping box, but instead would benefit greatly from a dense stand of bamboo. They will naturally seek shelter between the bamboo stands. Their enclosures must include a complex climbing structure with vertical, horizontal and diagonal angles. They are adapted to be able to climb and bridge gaps in the wild on branches of various diameters. They can be housed in a diurnal enclosure however guests will rarely see them. Reversed lighting enclosures can work well if the light used is red and NOT blue.

#### Feeding Ecology in Captivity:

Patches of bamboo should be sprayed with water daily as the loris will lick droplets. Diets of wild lorises consist of tree gum, nectar, insects and flowers.

## Daily diet:

15g Gum Arabic (with mineral supplement)

5g insects (mealworms, crickets, locusts, cockroach, etc.)

50ml diluted lory bird nectar

20g non leafy vegetables (e.g. sweet potato, cassava, eggplant, yams, broccoli, beans, carrots, peppers)