

OUR ZOO *Re-imagined*

The Master Plan Revealed:
What's Happened. What's Next...



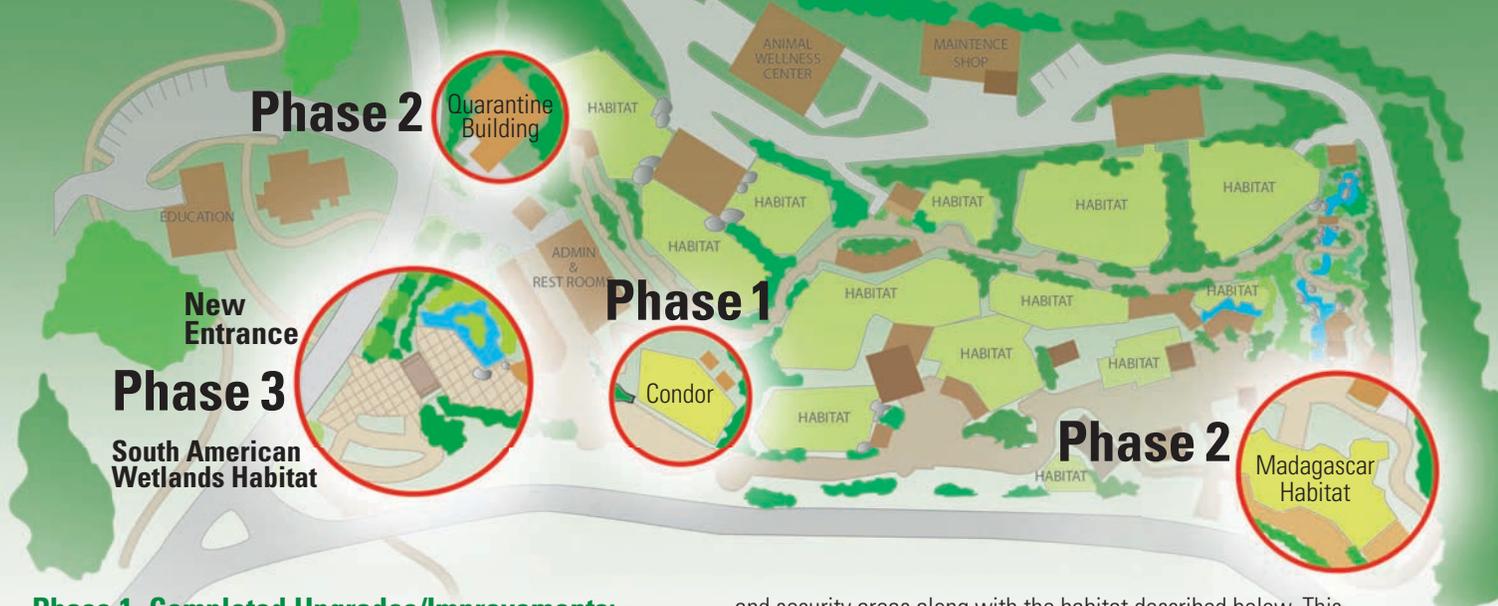
It is now time to re-imagine the Brandywine Zoo and make plans to stay current for the next 10 years and beyond.



The Master Plan Re-imagines the Zoo with a balanced project approach between infrastructure, guest services and attractions. As the Plan unfolds, there will be both public and behind-the-scenes changes. Animals from around the world will be selected to fit the Zoo's size, climate and topography. Most important, the projects will be scheduled carefully so that the Zoo's day-to-day operation will remain uninterrupted during prime visiting season. Here are some details on each Phase and beyond.

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Phase 1—Completed Upgrades/Improvements:

- **New Condor Viewing Area:** Close-up encounters with one of the world's largest flying birds.
- **Improved Honey Bee Display:** This popular display has become more interactive and attractive with new play elements, graphics and oversized metal flowers.
- **New Animal Habitats:** Three adorable Goat breeds are now on display and ready to pet. These include the Nigerian Dwarf, African Pygmy and Angora.
- **Special Visitors:** During the Summer of 2019, visiting Alligators and Wallabies appealed to all who saw them.

Phase 2—Planned and Funded:

- **The Madagascar Habitat** will reflect the environment of Madagascar, the largest island off the coast of Africa that is home to some of the most unusual wildlife on the planet. This new habitat will contain two or three species of Lemurs, which are endangered species that are endemic to Madagascar. They will share their habitat with Radiated Tortoises, one of two endangered species of tortoises found only in Madagascar. This exciting habitat is scheduled to open in 2020.
- **The New Quarantine Building** will improve our ability to care for our animal collection, including acclimating new animals and providing on-going veterinary care. Every animal must go through a 30-90 day quarantine to ensure that they are healthy when introduced to the Zoo's current animal population. In addition, the expanded facility will house specialized animal care equipment to provide the best care possible for our animal population, for example: a digital portable x-ray. This needed facility will support the continually strengthening AZA accreditation standards for animal care and welfare.

Phase 3 - Our Zoo. Re-defined, Re-energized...Re-imagined.

It is important to note that the Capital Campaign will include some subtle changes that may not be readily apparent to the casual visitor. However, these improvements combined with the more dramatic highly visible additions create a WOW factor that will draw new visitors while satisfying our existing Zoo champions' desire for change. Projects include:

- **A Dramatic New Entryway:** First and foremost, a brand new entrance will expand the Zoo's footprint into the unused space in front of the Zoo. The entry complex will include new ticketing

and security areas along with the habitat described below. This re-imagined entry will help transform the Zoo, creating greater visibility and accessibility.

- **An Exciting South American Wetlands Habitat:** Located within the new entry space, this habitat will feature Chilean Flamingos. With their striking pink color and impressive carriage, the Flamingos will create a strong visual welcome to the Zoo. It will be a multi-species habitat and may also include Sloths and Southern Pudu, the world's smallest species of Deer.

On to the Future...

The Master Plan stretches well beyond the three Phases described here. While this Capital Campaign focuses on Phase 3, many other changes are envisioned:

- **Slide through the Otter Habitat:** a completely new Otter habitat will offer better viewing and an opportunity to slide right through it.
- **Changing the Shape of the Zoo:** a circular visitor pathway will be created allowing visitors to walk around the Zoo vs "out and back" as they do now. This means they will experience 17 different habitats throughout their walk.
- **A State-of-the-Art Wellness Center:** a new hospital will help ensure the health of animals.
- **Better Land Use:** administration offices and other structures that do not need to be located within the main Zoo will be relocated to provide space for future habitats.
- **A Partnership in Progress:** the Master Plan extends farther into the larger vision of the entire Brandywine Park. As the Zoo is re-imagined, the Park, too, will undergo changes and improvements. By working in tandem, the entire area becomes a more attractive, vibrant and valuable community asset.

And Beyond...

The key take-away is the Brandywine Zoo is on the move with improvements, updates and renovations that will delight, surprise and inform as it remains one of the preeminent attractions in the region.

Experience the Brandywine Zoo...Re-Imagined.

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