

Johnny Morris's
WONDERS OF WILDLIFE
NATIONAL MUSEUM &
AQUARIUM

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**Wonders of Wildlife celebrates the Ozarks with specially-discounted
“Just for Neighbors” Days through March 31**

Half-off tickets and exciting new animals at “America’s Best Aquarium”



Springfield, Mo. – Wonders of Wildlife National Museum & Aquarium is inviting Ozarks area residents to escape the winter blues with half-off admission tickets during “Just for Neighbors” Days now through March 31. As a way of saying thanks to the local community for their support of the not-for-profit conservation attraction, residents of qualifying local counties can experience everything Wonders of Wildlife has to offer at the lowest admission rate ever offered.

Now through March 31, qualifying area residents can receive specially discounted rates to the entire museum and aquarium when presenting a current Missouri driver’s license, state ID or recent utility bill when purchasing tickets at Wonders of Wildlife. This offer is not available online.

- **Adults \$19.95** (normally \$39.95 - \$20.00 savings)
- **Children (ages 4-11) \$11.95** (normally \$23.95 - \$12.00 savings)
Ages three and under are always free.

Qualifying residents must reside in one of the following counties to be eligible for this limited-time offer:

- **Missouri** – Barry, Barton, Bates, Benton, Camden, Cass, Cedar, Christian, Dade, Dallas, Dent, Douglas, Greene, Henry, Hickory, Howell, Jasper, Johnson, Laclede, Lawrence, Maries, McDonald, Miller, Morgan, Newton, Oregon, Ozark, Pettis, Phelps, Polk, Pulaski, Shannon, St. Clair, Stone, Taney, Texas, Vernon, Webster or Wright counties
- **Arkansas** – Baxter, Benton, Boone, Carroll, Fulton, Izard, Madison, Marion, Newton, Searcy, Stone or Washington

- **Kansas** – Allen, Anderson, Bourbon, Cherokee, Crawford, Labette, Linn, Miami or Neosho counties
- **Oklahoma** – Craig, Delaware or Ottawa counties

New Discoveries in the Amazon Rainforest

Winter is the perfect time to escape the cold with a trip to the tropical warmth of the Amazon Rainforest exhibit. The fully immersive exhibit is wilder than ever before with the addition of several new animals including a two-toed sloth, marmoset monkeys, and a blue-and-gold macaw.



The charismatic **two-toed sloth** is sure to become a guest favorite. One of the world's slowest mammals, two-toed sloths spend nearly all of their time hanging from tree branches thanks to the powerful grip of their long claws. Native to Central and South America, their primary diet consists of leaves and fruit.



And for the first time ever, Wonders of Wildlife is adding primates to its lineup of 35,000 live animals that call the aquarium home. Weighing in at nine ounces and standing at seven inches tall, common marmosets are small monkeys distinctly recognized for their long, ringed tail and white ear tufts. Native to Brazil and other parts of the Amazon rainforest, marmosets are highly active during the day and consume a diet of fruit, leaves, and insects.



A blue-and-gold macaw will also soon make its way to the Amazon Rainforest. Blue-and-gold macaws are neotropical parrots native to South American rainforests and wetlands known for their brilliantly colored blue, green and yellow feathers. Macaws are highly intelligent birds who demonstrate their social skills by communicating with loud squawks.

The new species help make the Amazon Rainforest one of the most colorful and diverse habitats featured inside the 350,000-square-foot attraction. Already home to incredible animals like poison dart frogs, red-bellied piranhas, araçari toucans, peacock bass and more, the Amazon Rainforest exhibit aims to educate visitors about the “lungs of the planet” and the incredible biodiversity that calls the rainforest home. The immersive, 4D gallery promotes up-close encounters for visitors to some of the Amazon’s most amazing species, inspiring guests to get involved in the conservation of the planet’s most precious natural resources.

About Johnny Morris’ Wonders of Wildlife National Museum and Aquarium

Johnny Morris’ Wonders of Wildlife National Museum and Aquarium consists of an all-new 1.5-million-gallon Aquarium Adventure showcasing 35,000 live fish, mammals, reptiles, amphibians, and birds, and immersive Wildlife Galleries that bring visitors eye-to-eye with the greatest collection of record-setting game animals ever assembled. Created by noted conservationist and Bass Pro Shops founder/CEO Johnny Morris, the 350,000-square-foot experience celebrates those who hunt, fish, and act as stewards of the land and water. Located next to Bass Pro Shops National Headquarters in Springfield, Missouri the campus is a centerpiece of America’s Conservation Capital in Missouri’s Ozark Mountains. Wonders of Wildlife has been voted “Best New Attraction in America” and “America’s Best Aquarium” by the readers of *USA TODAY*. For more information, visit www.wondersofwildlife.org.

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