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Many people think of zoos and aquariums merely as places where wildlife is held for public enjoyment. Today's responsible zoos and aquariums, however, have been transformed from the menageries of ancient times to refugia or "arks" for imperiled species. That transformation continues as more institutions evolve into centers for conservation, research, and education. Another change has been the greater attention given to the amazing variety of wildlife native to North America. These species are not necessarily charismatic and do not always draw crowds, and in many cases the work of recovery goes on behind the scenes. This edition of the Bulletin focuses not only on lesser known species but also on some of the zoos and aquariums whose efforts deserve to be known better.



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