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THE WILDCAT SANCTUARY

**Mission:** Provide natural sanctuary to wild cats in need and inspire change to end the captive wildlife crisis.

**Vision:** Help create a world where wild animal sanctuaries are no longer needed.

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Caesar, tiger





# *From the Founder*



## **More Work to Rescue than to Own**

Scrolling through social media, I saw a post from one of the Tiger King exploiters that stopped me in my tracks. They stated that the government seized their cats, placed them at sanctuaries and now sanctuaries are raising thousands of dollars off their cats. They complained they were being punished for making money off the cats by breeding, cub petting, etc. But they claimed “scam-tuaries” (as they labeled accredited sanctuaries) could do it with no penalty.

I thought what a skewed perspective from a person who violated the Lacey Act, had animals suffer without veterinary care, and had cats confined to makeshift tiny cages with no grass and nothing to do. But the most amazing part was, they and other exploiters truly believe what they’re saying!

The real reality is that rescuing big cats is more expensive and much more of a personal investment than purchasing a big cat.

It only takes a breeder/dealer one call to purchase a wild cat. A few thousand dollars or less and a drive to pick up the cub and it’s done. And it’s even easier when they’re breeding onsite.

Many cats we’ve rescued, even from well-intentioned owners, haven’t had vet care since the time they were born. And most are housed in tiny cages and kennels.

When we rescue wild cats, of course we do fundraising appeals. It’s costly to rescue and provide sanctuary when you put the cat’s best interests first.



**Rainier, cougar**



**Dash, tiger**

From cross-country expenses, including staffing, health certificates, safety and emergency drugs and equipment, to full medical works-ups, vaccinations, follow-ups to correct health issues, specialty surgeries and more—it adds up quickly!

Housing a cat in a cage is easy. Providing the cat a species-specific quality of life, diet and medical care is another thing altogether.

And it doesn't end there. Free-roaming habitats, daily enrichment and operant conditioning, to keep the cats as mentally stimulated as possible in a captive environment, is just as important and takes commitment.

**That's why our supporters like you give.**

Each cat is special with its own unique needs. To us, they're not inventory used for personal profit. The donations we receive go to better the lives of the cats, each and every day. It also allows us to rescue cats without having to do emergency appeals or wait to help a cat from substandard conditions until funding is raised.

And not only do the funds you provide allow us to say yes to each rescue, it's helped build a sustainable sanctuary where you know the animals will have a safe home and the best care—for life!

They will never be bred, sold, traded or put on display. Now, their daily lives are about them, not about those who want to own them.

Thank you for making it possible!

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "T Thies".

**Tammy Thies**  
Founder & Executive Director



**Leo, lion**



# Tiger King Cats— No Big Cats Left Behind



Aurora & Alana, lions

**W**e were waiting for this day for a long time. You might even say years.

It began with over 200 big cats owned by Tiger King's notorious Joe Exotic. Most in tiny cages, most breeding year-round to create more cubs for cub petting profit, many sold to other roadside attractions.

By the time the final seizure of big cats took place, there were only 82 big cats remaining on the property. These cats had recently been moved from Joe Exotic's GW Zoo (taken over by Jeff and Lauren Lowe) to a new property in Thackerville, Oklahoma.

Social media posts talked about how it would be the best state-of-the-art tiger park in America. It wasn't!

The property consisted of rent-to-own sheds

and mostly small, barren cages. Many of the cats were still in the 7' x 12' transport metal crates they were moved to the property in.

It took the coordination of multiple sanctuaries, the USDA, and the Department of Justice to remove the remaining 68 big cats in just 48 hours. To be efficient and as safe as possible, rescue roles and a schedule were clearly outlined beforehand.

The torrential rains the night before actually helped, hardening the long hills of a driveway to access the cats. But it was an extremely hot day.

Dozens of U.S. Marshals were onsite with trailers, UTVs, weapons and cameras to ensure safety of the rescuers during the transfer.

We agreed to take in cats we had open habitat space for. The cats we took in were living in cramped conditions. We certainly didn't want them to have to do it again while we built new enclosures.

Our goal was to ensure the cats we rescued could move out to large, spacious habitats as soon as their quarantine period was over.

We knew that, between all the reputable sanctuaries, all the cats would have homes. No big cat would be left behind.

Thankfully, the pickup, transport and unloading all went smoothly. It was a great relief after our recent challenging rescue of Dash, Winona, Marcus, Wally and Marlene.

Once here, all cats had intake exams, blood work and vaccinations at our own cost. We wanted to ensure we had baseline information about their health.

We were not allowed to share certain information about their stories for fundraising while the case was active. That means, for the last 10 months, your support helped us cover the costs of their habitats, daily food and husbandry, enrichment and heated indoor spaces.

But just like the residents you already know; these cats received the individualized care and love every resident receives—thanks to YOU!

### **Alyssa, liliger**

Our main concern was for Alyssa, a Liliger who had mentally shut down. She was quite aggressive the day of the transport and was housed alone. She was mentally dull and would stare right through us, not acknowledging our presence.

That all changed when she met lion Chupino through a shared wall. She began engaging and rubbing Chupino along their shared fence line. Soon they were grooming each other, and she blossomed into a very social cat.

She will once again get to live with another lion as we plan merge her with a companion here at the sanctuary. We know she will thrive with a companion, as she had for many years. Sadly, we were informed she was separated from him when the Lowes moved to the new site.

What is a Liliger? A Liliger is the hybrid offspring of a male lion (*Panthera leo*) and a female Liger (*Panthera leo* × *Panthera tigris*).

So much false information is spread by hybrid breeders. They're bred for human novelty and, most recently, to try and avoid consequences of violating the Endangered Species Act. Luckily, this was not successful. A federal judge ruled captive tigers, lions and their offspring, even if hybrid, are protected.

Most hybrids have health issues and shorter lifespans due to the cross breeding of species, just like we've seen with our smaller hybrids.

Sadly, hybrids and white tigers are no longer rare. They've been exploited in captive breeding and cub petting operations. Now, sanctuaries



Alyssa, liliger

across the country are being called upon to rescue these cats.

### **Lion Sisters Alana & Aurora**

Alana and Aurora are two 3-year-old white lions. They'd been living in a small 1100 square foot cage, most of it consisting of a suspended 2-story skywalk.

Jeff and Lauren Lowe's social media pages show photos of when they first bought the cubs. They were having free contact with these lions,



walking them on leashes, and merging them with a black jaguar.

These girls have a diamond facial structure and deep inset crossed-eyes, sure signs of inbreeding. Sadly, they were bred for what humans consider “beauty,” with no concern for the genetic issues that can cause lifelong health issues for them.

Seeing these girls explore their new grassy, tree-filled, free-roaming habitat brought tears to our eyes. They explored with no hesitation at all.

These young girls are full of energy, just like our bobcat sisters Sky and Selene, but with a little less coordination.

Aurora has a more angular face with very

of-pocket costs of the biopsies performed.

Sister Alana has straight wrinkles that help identify her. She’s often the first to approach her caretakers. She’s a goofy girl and loves to play with her sister.

We know her playfulness is just predator practice. And it can be difficult to get photos of her because she’s always the first at the fence line to greet us.

Alana is Aurora’s protector. She investigates new situations before her sister Aurora will follow. She’s brave at her core. She’ll be the lion running around in the snow while the others stay inside because they don’t want to get their feet wet.

Alana is also very intrigued by every other cat



Alana, lion



Aurora, lion

crossed eyes. While here, she’s already had several vet procedures to remove fast growing masses from under her tongue and on her lip. Thankfully, the biopsies showed they were benign.

But these growths can also be caused by a virus that can be recurring, and even life-threatening if it affects too much of the cat’s tongue. We continue to monitor her closely for that.

Aurora also arrived with irregular blood values, which corrected after receiving proper care. The Department of Justice did cover the out-

at the sanctuary. She keeps her eye on neighbor lions Kimba and Sofi, as well as tigers Simon and Jeremy across the way.

She and her sister like all the seasons. In the summer, they can be found on the tall perches. In the winter, they’re chasing each other, romping through the snow. And during the evenings, they can be found lying together in their indoor bedrooms.

We’re hoping we don’t see more health issues since they were inbred. We look forward to providing them a wild-at-heart life here at the sanctuary.



## Tiger Thor Jr.

Thor Jr. is a 3-year-old white tiger who's just trying to figure out who he is. He arrived thin, but we corrected that right away with a proper diet.

He plays like a kitten one minute, then wants to be large and in charge the next. His favorite stalking position is from his pool during the summer, where he thinks he has the best advantage.

Thor Jr. did find one thing scary about his new life here at the sanctuary and that was tiger cub Dash. When he met Dash across the hallway in their indoor bedroom areas, he was fearful and let out a big hiss.

Dash had approached chuffing but, with one charge and one hiss from Thor, Dash could be seen running as far away as possible.

Even though Thor Jr. thought Dash was scary, he had no problem taking on full grown lion Wally on the other fence line. Cats can be so unpredictable in their likes and dislikes, and Thor Jr. certainly proves that!

Thor Jr. has quickly become a favorite of the staff due to his playful nature. He's easy going with his caretakers. He doesn't even mind getting into a crate to move habitats so we could find him the best neighbor possible. We're hoping to find a match for him soon.



# Bruno's Story



In the middle of a bitter cold winter, a young serval was reported loose and in distress in a Lincoln, Massachusetts neighborhood. He was emaciated and had severe injuries.

Once we saw the news story, we reached out immediately to the MSPCA to offer our assistance.

Thankfully, they were able to capture him safely and named him Bruno.

We worked together, consulting with veterinary specialists about Bruno's injuries and care. We both wanted to give him the second chance he deserved.

Bruno's story makes us both sad and mad.

As more and more people believe breeders claims that servals, bobcats and hybrids can be great pets, we're seeing reports all over the country of "escaped" exotics.

These cats can't survive on their own. Many have been declawed. All see humans as a source of food.

Bruno is the poster child of the horrible things that can happen when they escape. We don't know if he was hit by a car, but the breaks in his rear leg were extensive and could be months old.

Can you imagine how hard it was for him to survive in the snow with a broken leg?





We're so thankful to the residents who reported seeing him in their yard and how they worked with the MSPCA to humanely trap him.

Understandably, Bruno was very thin. We advised MSPCA staff about a proper serval diet to help build his strength. But unfortunately, there was no way to save his leg. While in their care, Bruno's leg was amputated and he was neutered.

It was a 3,000 mile roundtrip journey, dodging snowstorms, to bring him back here to his forever home. He settled in so well, enjoying the warmth of his indoor bedroom and all his delicious meals.

We know Bruno will do fine with three legs. You might remember our 3-legged bobcat Claud who can sprint around his habitat with no problem at all.

Bruno's young, so we want him to have the best chance for a fulfilling life, living here with all our other servals. He's already showing signs he's very interested in his neighbors as he sprints through piles of snow to say hello!



# Meet Our New Residents



## Axel

Axel is an eight-year-old male, F1 Bengal (Asian Leopard Cat/Domestic Cat hybrid) whose owner had decided to surrender him.

Yes, his family loved him very much. But after life circumstances changed and Axel's continual soiling, they asked if he could have a forever home at our sanctuary.

Eight years ago, they'd adopted Axel and his brother as kittens when they'd seen them online. Sadly, Axel's brother

later passed away from Feline Infectious Peritonitis (FIP).

It was a very long, cross-country trip to get Axel here. During the Midwest's first winter weather advisory, Axel made the long trip from New York to Minnesota.

One of our selfless volunteers drove halfway to meet the family in Indiana. It was a tearful transfer, but the family knows Axel will be well cared for and loved by all of us, and all of you!

## Lady

A rescue group in Iowa reached out to us, asking if we could possibly provide a permanent home for an F1 Savannah cat. A breeder had surrendered her cats to their rescue.

Lady has severe dental disease and broken teeth, something we commonly see with smaller hybrids.

Since Lady seems to be such a confident girl, we decided to try a merger for her with some of our other Savannah cats. She moved into the bungalow habitat with Ty, Ledger and Love in the Hybrid Haven section of the sanctuary.

Happy to report, she ventured out of her crate and never looked back! She's curiously exploring and checking out all life has to offer here at her new home.





## Shrek

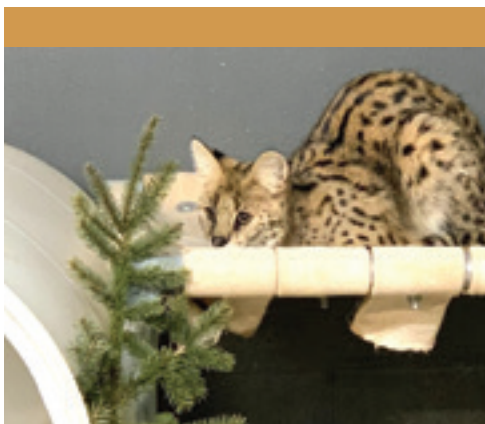
The stories usually sound simple. Bobcat Shrek was privately owned, her husband died, she had to move and couldn't take Shrek with her.

But, Shrek's story is much more complicated than that. We learned he's actually a wild born bobcat. When his bobcat mother died, Shrek and his sibling were taken in by this couple.

When they found out it was illegal in their state, a notorious breeder falsified paperwork for them, stating these bobcat kittens were captive born. The breeder also placed the second kitten in another home.

The couple kept Shrek. He lived in an outdoor lean-to for the past six years. Shrek's intake exam showed early signs of arthritis due to being declawed.

We were happy he immediately ventured out of his crate when he arrived, seeming rather confident about this whole new life opening up for him.



## Fiona

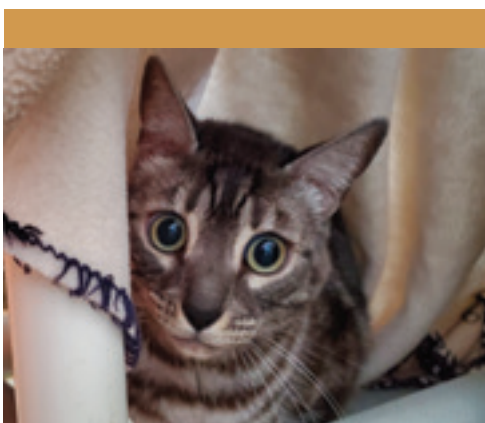
Our hearts broke when we heard yet another young serval had been found on the loose, this time in Arizona. And she was in horrible shape, near death. She was found, emaciated, dehydrated, with multiple cactus spines embedded in her.

She was captured and transferred to an exotic animal hospital for care. We were contacted and immediately said yes, we would help her.

She was described as stressed, fractious, and aggressive. But she traveled to the sanctuary very well, even chirping calmly to our caretaker. Since we picked her up the same weekend as

Shrek, we named her Fiona.

We're sure she's going to enjoy her new life here with others of her kind. She'll have the chance to stretch her wild serval side and live a wonderful life.



## DJ

Minneapolis Animal Control had an unsocialized bengal named DJ in need of rescue. His owner had surrendered him due to his scared nature.

DJ had only been with them six weeks. He'd been hiding from them and in the ceiling rafters, completely terrified. He wouldn't move when touched or interacted with. He would freeze with very dilated eyes.

We're happy to provide 3-year-old DJ with a home that will make him feel safe. He can live life on his own terms here at the sanctuary.



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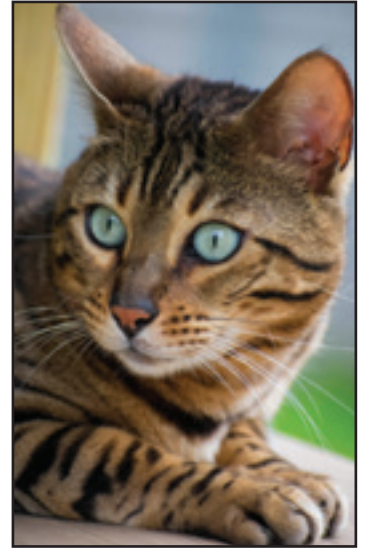
## Bengals



Ashes  
Wild at Heart Date:  
12/9/2019



Axel F1  
Wild at Heart Date:  
12/6/2021



Bengie  
Wild at Heart Date:  
6/7/2018



Benny  
Wild at Heart Date:  
12/17/2008



Besty  
Wild at Heart Date:  
6/26/21



Bonzai – F1  
Wild at Heart Date:  
6/26/2019



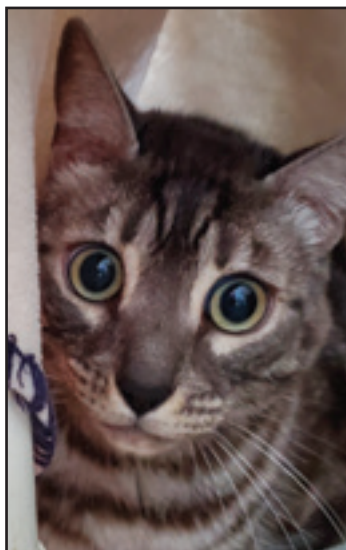
Cinders  
Wild at Heart Date:  
12/9/2019

We don't know every cat's exact birthday, so we celebrate their Wild at Heart Dates - their first day at The Wildcat Sanctuary.



Dahlia

Wild at Heart Date:  
6/26/2021



DJ

Wild at Heart Date:  
2/28/2022



Dream

Wild at Heart Date:  
5/31/2006



Eddy

Wild at Heart Date:  
10/7/2017



Felix

Wild at Heart Date:  
6/14/2019



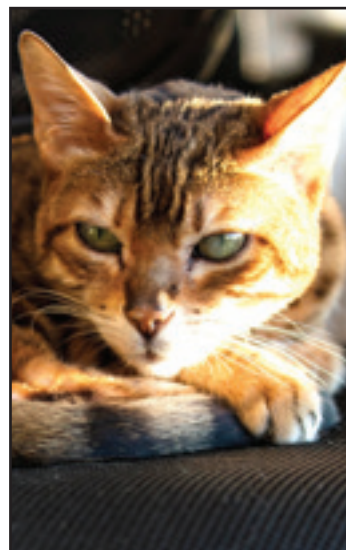
Harley

Wild at Heart Date:  
5/6/2017



Jewel – F1

Wild at Heart Date:  
6/7/2010



Katniss

Wild at Heart Date:  
7/14/2021



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Keesa – F1  
Wild at Heart Date:  
7/28/2011



Max  
Wild at Heart Date:  
6/22/2006



Nala  
Wild at Heart Date:  
8/3/2020



Puma  
Wild at Heart Date:  
8/24/2021



Riku  
Wild at Heart Date:  
6/26/2021



Sebastian  
Wild at Heart Date:  
11/15/2010



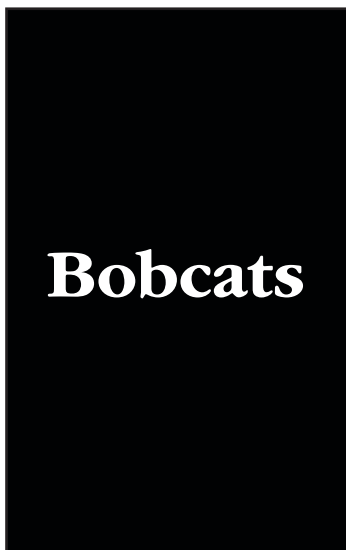
Tiger  
Wild at Heart Date:  
7/21/2006



Tygger  
Wild at Heart Date:  
3/26/2020



Xena – bengal  
Wild at Heart Date:  
6/26/2021



Archer  
Wild at Heart Date:  
3/6/2017



Athena  
Wild at Heart Date:  
7/12/2007



Autumn  
Wild at Heart Date:  
9/15/2016



Baby Jenga  
Wild at Heart Date:  
5/23/2003



Bella  
Wild at Heart Date:  
9/16/2010



Belvedere  
Wild at Heart Date:  
10/6/2016



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Benson  
Wild at Heart Date:  
7/6/2006



Bogart  
Wild at Heart Date:  
7/11/2021



Brianna  
Wild at Heart Date:  
8/2/2012



Claud  
Wild at Heart Date:  
7/5/2006



Copper  
Wild at Heart Date:  
3/12/2017



Enzo  
Wild at Heart Date:  
12/14/2019



Essey  
Wild at Heart Date:  
4/29/2020



Francis  
Wild at Heart Date:  
10/6/2016





Glenn  
Wild at Heart Date:  
10/10/2020



Haley  
Wild at Heart Date:  
7/13/2008



Henry  
Wild at Heart Date:  
7/13/2008



Luna  
Wild at Heart Date:  
8/24/2017



Mondovi  
Wild at Heart Date:  
3/23/2018



Morgan  
Wild at Heart Date:  
4/21/2007



Nikko  
Wild at Heart Date:  
12/4/2004



Sarge  
Wild at Heart Date:  
10/10/2020



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Selene

Wild at Heart Date:  
2/5/2020



Shrek

Wild at Heart Date:  
2/28/2022



Sky

Wild at Heart Date:  
2/5/2020



Tao

Wild at Heart Date:  
12/19/2019

## Caracal



Aurora

Wild at Heart Date:  
7/9/2015

## Chausie



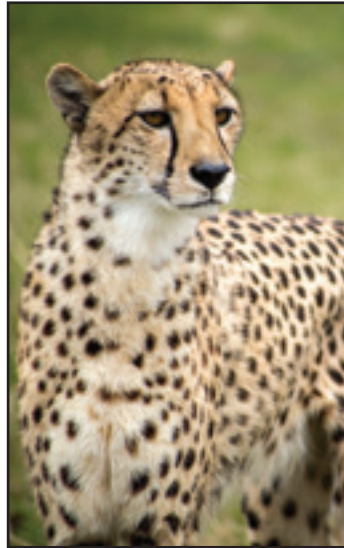
Ty

Wild at Heart Date:  
1/5/2009

## Cheetahs



Kitu  
Wild at Heart Date:  
4/17/2021



Lavani  
Wild at Heart Date:  
4/17/2021

## Cougars



Anastasia  
Wild at Heart Date:  
3/30/2021



Andre  
Wild at Heart Date:  
10/8/2009



Aspen  
Wild at Heart Date:  
1/21/2016



Blaze  
Wild at Heart Date:  
1/21/2016



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Donoma  
Wild at Heart Date:  
5/22/2008



Langley  
Wild at Heart Date:  
10/17/2009



Noah  
Wild at Heart Date:  
10/17/2009



Quincy  
Wild at Heart Date:  
1/29/2020



Rainier  
Wild at Heart Date:  
1/29/2020



Snow  
Wild at Heart Date:  
12/5/2015



Storm  
Wild at Heart Date:  
12/5/2015



Tacoma  
Wild at Heart Date:  
1/29/2020

## Domestic Cat



Mr. Oreoh  
Wild at Heart Date:  
8/8/2021

## Leopards

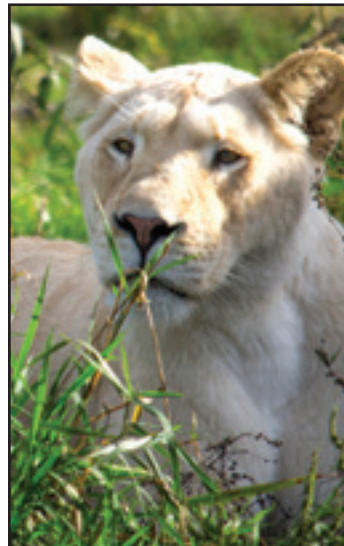


Shadow  
Wild at Heart Date:  
9/2/2015

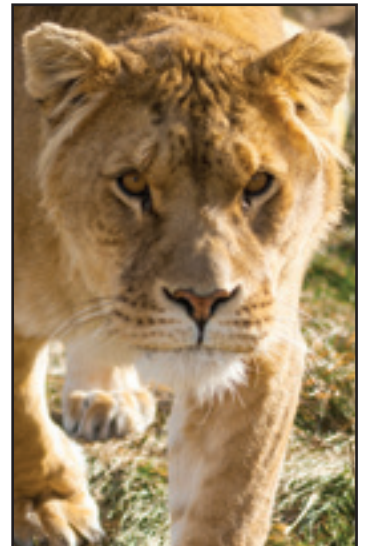


Shazam  
Wild at Heart Date:  
12/21/2006

## Lions



Alana  
Wild at Heart Date:  
5/22/2021



Alyssa – Liliger  
Wild at Heart Date:  
5/22/2021



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Aurora

Wild at Heart Date:  
5/22/2021



Gino

Wild at Heart Date:  
9/22/2018



Kimba

Wild at Heart Date:  
9/22/2018



Leo

Wild at Heart Date:  
12/11/2018



Mansa

Wild at Heart Date:  
12/11/2018



Sofia

Wild at Heart Date:  
9/22/2018



Lynx



Aria –Eurasian lynx

Wild at Heart Date:  
4/29/2018



Beauty –Eurasian lynx  
Wild at Heart Date:  
6/14/2020



Ramsey –Canada lynx  
Wild at Heart Date:  
2/22/2007



Andre  
Wild at Heart Date:  
7/2/2016



Hilo  
Wild at Heart Date:  
6/6/2008



Lady  
Wild at Heart Date:  
2/6/2022



Ledger  
Wild at Heart Date:  
3/4/2009



Leo  
Wild at Heart Date:  
6/18/2016



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Love

Wild at Heart Date:  
10/16/2020



Lupita

Wild at Heart Date:  
11/1/2020



Maximillion

Wild at Heart Date:  
2/11/2017



Monica

Wild at Heart Date:  
8/25/2020



Phoebe

Wild at Heart Date:  
8/25/2020



Rachel

Wild at Heart Date:  
8/25/2020



Safiya

Wild at Heart Date:  
4/26/2018



Thor

Wild at Heart Date:  
7/17/2019

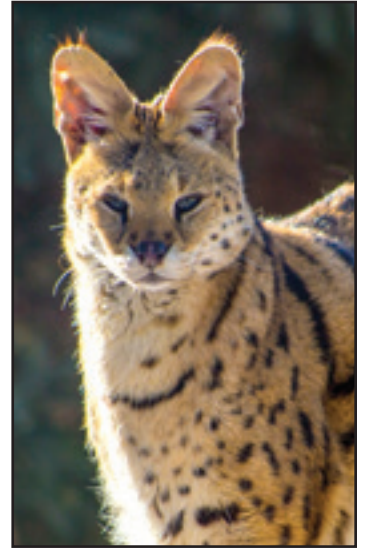
# Servals



Ava  
Wild at Heart Date:  
11/19/2019



Bell  
Wild at Heart Date:  
11/19/2019



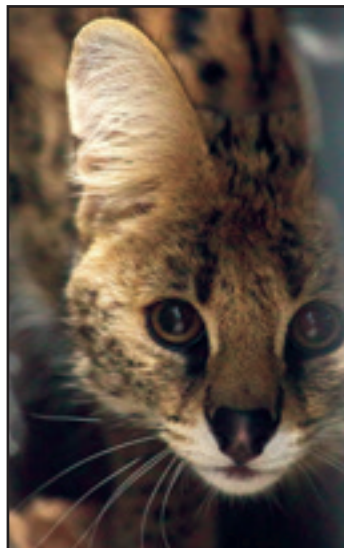
Bosco  
Wild at Heart Date:  
11/17/2001



Bruno  
Wild at Heart Date:  
1/17/2022



Chili  
Wild at Heart Date:  
11/19/2019



Fiona  
Wild at Heart Date:  
2/27/2022



Jalapeño (Hal)  
Wild at Heart Date:  
11/19/2019



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Little Diva

Wild at Heart Date:  
6/11/2019



Lizzy

Wild at Heart Date:  
4/25/2005



Nunda

Wild at Heart Date:  
3/24/2005



Phoenix

Wild at Heart Date:  
3/24/2005



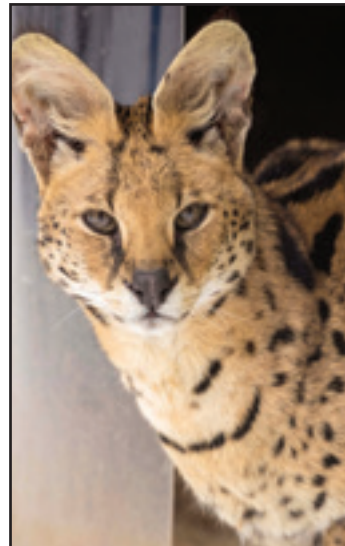
Rio

Wild at Heart Date:  
1/4/2005



Scarlet

Wild at Heart Date:  
1/25/2018



Sebastian

Wild at Heart Date:  
7/21/2006



Zambuca

Wild at Heart Date:  
9/27/2018



# Tigers



Caesar  
Wild at Heart Date:  
9/2/2015



Callie  
Wild at Heart Date:  
9/2/2015



Daisy  
Wild at Heart Date:  
5/19/2017



Dash  
Wild at Heart Date:  
11/24/2020



Dimitri  
Wild at Heart Date:  
10/19/2016



Griffen  
Wild at Heart Date:  
10/19/2016



Jeremy  
Wild at Heart Date:  
11/13/2014



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Logan

Wild at Heart Date:  
9/2/2015



Pandora

Wild at Heart Date:  
11/1/2016



Polina

Wild at Heart Date:  
8/21/2020



Simon

Wild at Heart Date:  
11/13/2014



Terek

Wild at Heart Date:  
8/21/2020



Thor Jr.

Wild at Heart Date:  
5/18/2021



Winona

Wild at Heart Date:  
11/24/2020



Zeke

Wild at Heart Date:  
10/19/2016



Dimitri and Griffen, tigers

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# In Honor & In Memory

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10/29/2021 - 2/27/2022

## In Honor

**In honor of all my beloved fur babies, past, present & future!**  
Anita Alspaw

**In honor of all the beautiful cats in the world!**  
Kris Sittig-Barnard

**In honor of all the excellent work you do year round!**  
Lynne Alfieri

**In honor of Andy Ward**  
Peter Deimel

**In honor of Ann Latzke**  
BlueCross BlueShield

**In honor of Bip!, Jerry and Julie**  
John Bailor

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