

JUNGLE JEFF



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Jungle Jeff here!

I really wish I could explain to people just how much affection animals really can show. Just yesterday I was out by the train depot and decided to stop and pay a visit to Ralphie, the great big American Cream Draft Horse. I spent a good 30 minutes out there (and could have spent even more) just petting him, giving him some scratches, and just chatting.

Some of these animals are more than just examples of great species that are in danger; rather, a lot of them are shining reflections of just why animals intrigued us as kids, and still do. Just 30 minutes with a huge horse made me sit back and mellow out amid a life of hustle and bustle, and that's what's so great about a zoo. So next time you're here, take your time. Stroll, don't hurry, through the Zoo and marvel at the miracles that are these sweet and intelligent creatures on display. They are reflections of endangered species, glimpses into styles of life in other areas of the planet that we have only heard of, and most of all: they are reflections of us.

I hope to see you all enjoying and appreciating our furry friends soon

-Jungle Jeff