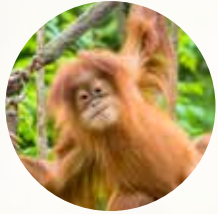


What is Palm Oil?

Palm oil is a form of edible vegetable oil obtained from the fruit of the African oil palm tree. It is found in food, cosmetics and bath products.



The Problem

The African oil palm tree only grows in tropical rainforests. These rainforests are home to approximately half the Earth's plants and animals. Instead of using already cleared land, some companies cut down healthy rainforests and use the profits to fund new plantations.

The Solution

Using sustainable palm oil is a responsible choice. Sustainable palm oil comes from plantations that produce palm oil in a way that minimizes the impact on wildlife.

Choose Wildlife-Friendly Treats

These companies are members of the Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO) and are rated "Excellent" on their commitment to wildlife by using certified sustainable palm oil. Also listed are examples of their products.

- **Hershey's**
Reese's, Almond Joy, KitKat
- **Lindt Sprüngli**
Truffles, Chocolate Bars, Boxed Chocolates
- **Justin's**
Nut Butters, Nut Butter Cups
- **MARS**
Snickers, M&M's, Dove Chocolates

We also sell wildlife-friendly treats at Candy Crossing here at the Zoo!

More Ways to Help

- **Download the Cheyenne Mountain Zoo's palm oil shopping guide app to research your favorite products.**
- **Write to your favorite companies. Ask them to use sustainable palm oil in their products and to join the RSPO if they haven't done so already.**

Resources

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