JMC Monkeys in Chicago

We are delighted that our eight JMC Japanese monkeys are very happy in their new home in Chicago. For us, these monkeys are an expression of the friendship and collaboration between the United States and Japan. For more info, please visit snowmonkeys.org

▼ Donate

Help us to help primates

Your donation will enable us to let our primates live a rich, interesting, and happy life. It further helps their fellow primates living in the wild.

Providing Quality Care for Our Primates

We are committed to optimising the welfare of our primates every day. We do so by asking ourselves every morning: "What can we do today to make their life even better?" There are new ideas and challenges every day, and for maintaining the physical and mental well-being of our primates, we need your help. Please support our primates and make a donation easily via the online donation form.

URL: https://fundexapp.jp/monkey/entry.php?lang=ENG

Conservation of Natural Habitats

The wild habitat of primates is vanishing at an alarming pace. That means, many of them will be extinct by the time our children have grownup. There are many ways to fight this unsustainable development. Our approach is, together with the local governments and people, to support the conservation and sustainable development of these habitats. But we can achieve this goal only with your generous support. Donor names will be posted in the JMC, on our website and printed in our newsletter (unless you wish to remain anonymous). Please let us know by specifying this on your application form.

Tax Breaks for Residents of Japan

The Japan Monkey Centre (JMC) is a 'Public Interest Incorporated Foundation', certified by the Japanese Government to be acting in the public interest. Therefore, all donations to the JMC are eligible for tax breaks: deductible from your taxable income for income tax.

▼Zoo Hours

10:00 - 17:00 (Nov. - Feb.: 10:00 - 16:00)

Closed on Tuesday and Wednesday; and some additional weekdays in low season (open on public holidays and in high season). Please check the calendar in our website before your visit.

V Admission Prices

One Day Ticket

800 yen	400 yen	300 yen
		(Ages 3 - 6)
	High School Students	Children
Adults	Elementary and Junior	Preschool

Under 2, Free

▼JMC Membership

JMC membership provides great benefits and privileges throughout the whole year. You get free admission to the JMC, free parking, as well as special access to members-only events.

Adults	Elementary and Junior High School Students	Preschool Children
		(Ages 3 - 6)
3000 yen	2000 yen	1500 yen

Supporters: access to exclusive supporters' website
5000 yen & Up

▼Access

The train station closest to the Japan Monkey Centre is the Meitetsu Inuyama Station; about 30 min train-ride from Nagoya Station. From Meitetsu Inuyama Station (East exit) to the Japan Monkey Centre, it takes 5 min by bus or taxi, or 20 min walking.

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JAPAN MONKEY CENTRE

Museum and Zoo for Nonhuman Primates

"A Window to Nature"

The Japan Monkey Centre (JMC) was founded in 1956 for primate research and conservation. Its other main goal is to give all interested people a wealth of information on their closest relatives. JMC runs a unique zoo housing the world's largest number of nonhuman primate species and attracts visitors from all over the world.













MAP 1 Visitor Centre, Museum Shop, Changing/ Nursing Facilities

At the Visitor Centre, we have regular exhibitions including taxidermist specimens, skeletons of nonhuman primates, and a touch screen monitor to perform a memory test for chimpanzees at the Primate Research Institute, Kyoto University. We also hold special exhibitions on a wide variety of different themes.

At MAP2A: **Wao land mini,** you can meet a small group of ring-tailed lemurs

MAP(2) Madagascar House

This outdoor enclosure is in the form of an island ringed by a moat, allowing the inhabitants to roam freely. Living on the island-enclosure are different species of lemurs found in the wild only in Madagascar: brown lemurs, black lemurs, and ruffed lemurs.

MAP(3) South American House

Here you can see tiny monkeys such as marmosets and tamarins. They live in an indoor enclosure maintained at a temperature of about 25°C to simulate tropical jungle conditions. In the outdoor enclosure, you can meet saki monkeys, woolly monkeys, spider monkeys, and capuchins. In a special room where day and night light is reversed, nocturnal owl monkeys can be seen moving about during our daytime.

MAP (4) Asian House

Different species of leafeaters: Francois's lutongs and silver lutongs can be seen here, along with macaques that are distributed in wide area of Asia. It includes long-tailed macaques, rhesus macaques, southern pig-tailed macaques, toque macaques, bonnet macaques, Tibetan macaques, lion-tailed macaques, and Japanese macaques (also known as snow monkeys).

MAP(5) Wao Land

One of JMC's must-see attractions are the free-ranging **ring-tailed lemurs**, offering a close encounter with them.

MAP 6 7 African Centre / Nocturnal Monkeys

Another star attraction is **chimpanzees**. You can also see a **gorilla** searching for his food, parts of which the keepers hide earlier in various places within the enclosure. Here you can also watch **mandrills** and nocturnal monkeys including **pottos** and **Senegal lesser galagos**.

MAP® African House

This house shows brightly-colored monkeys including Schmidt's guenons, moustached guenon, Buettikofer's guenon and De Brazza's guenons.

Colobus monkeys presents their strikingly beautiful black and white markings. You can also meet goldenbellied mangabey, northern talapoin monkeys, Sykes' monkey, patas monkeys, savannah monkeys, hamadryas baboons and Barbary macaques here.

MAP Baboon Castle

Over seventy **Anubis baboons** can be watched from this rooftop viewing deck.

MAP 10 Monkey Valley

From this observation platform, you can see about 160 Japanese Yaku-macaques, showing the behavior of washing sweet potatoes and other food in a pond. They put the sweet potatoes inside the water and rub them against rocks. Sweet potato washing in Japanese macaques was first observed in a natural troop in Koshima Islet, Japan. Though rubbing behavior is quite common in macaques, the behavior of rubbing objects in water is rare. It can be easily observed during the monkeys' feeding time. You may also see other interesting behaviors like Saru-dango, tool use, and noise making with stones.

From the late December until the end of February, on weekends and holidays, our Japanese Yaku-macaques warm themselves by a real bonfire. The tradition of lighting bonfires for the monkeys began in 1959, after Japanese Yaku-macaques were observed to gather around the fires lit by staff to burn fallen trees following the Isewan Typhoon. This new 'bonfire-season' soon became established as a well-known and cherished attraction of JMC.

MAP(11) Monkey Scramble

Here, you can enjoy **siamangs** brachiating (moving by swinging arm by arm) at a height of 15 meters (MAP11-1): **Big Loop**). Very impressing are also the **Geoffroy's spider monkeys** moving back and forth across a 100-meter-long suspension bridge (MAP11-3): **Monkey Skyway**). Don't forget to look up to see one of our greatest attractions — and keep an eye out for monkey excrements! (**Dangerous Zone**)

MAP(11)-2 Squirrel Monkey Land

One of our highlights is a close encounter with **Bolivian** squirrel monkeys, moving freely within the dense



undergrowth on a small island. Of all their food, Bolivian squirrel monkeys love to eat insects most. So, they spend a large amount of time foraging for insects. It is rare for any insects that have strayed into the Squirrel Monkey Land to ever reach the adult stage.

MAP(12) Gibbons' House

Here you can see three different species of gibbons from Southeast Asia: **pileated gibbons**, **white-handed gibbons**,

and Mueller's gibbons.

MAP(13) Kusunoki Forest/Tree House

In the Kusunoki Forest, our zookeepers created 4 story **Tree House** on Kusunoki (camphor tree). Looking down from the Tree House gives an impression of how monkeys see the world from the treetops.

MAP (14) Restaurant Rakuen

Curry, noodle, pork cutlet on rice, gelato, drinks etc.

MAP(15) Monkey Bar

(Open on weekends and holidays)