

## PHOTO OPPORTUNITY

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### **New baby mountain goat makes public debut Kid gets a name!**

**WHAT:** Woodland Park Zoo's newest kid, a baby female mountain goat, will be officially introduced to the public on **Friday, June 22**. Her animal care staff have officially named her *Daisy*.

**The press is invited to see the 10-pound Daisy and will have access to the roof overlooking the goat exhibit.**

The kid was born on June 16 to 2-year-old mom Bluebelle and 4-year-old dad Albert. She represents the first birth of a mountain goat at the zoo in 23 years. Albert moved in April to Cheyenne Mountain Zoo in Colorado Springs to help increase genetic representation of the species in accredited zoos. The other mountain goat currently at the zoo is a female named Atlin, who is a half-sister of Bluebelle.

Zoo-goers can see the mountain goats living in high rocky crags and ledges in the zoo's award-winning Northern Trail exhibit along with other animals that have adapted to the cold, rugged regions of the north including grizzlies, snowy owls, wolves, elk and Steller's sea eagles.

Woodland Park Zoo supports the conservation of mountain goats and other Cascadia wildlife through its [Living Northwest](#) programs. Fans of mountain goats can help ensure these animals continue to trek in their natural range by visiting [www.zoo.org/donate](http://www.zoo.org/donate).

**WHEN:** **Friday, June 22, 11:15–11:45 a.m.**

**WHERE:** Mountain goat exhibit at Woodland Park Zoo. Meet PR staff at the West Entrance at Phinney Ave. N. between N. 55<sup>th</sup> & N. 56<sup>th</sup> Sts. or head to the goat exhibit. Park in the Penguin Lot at N. 55<sup>th</sup> St. & Phinney Ave. N. or Otter Lot off N. 59<sup>th</sup> St. & Phinney Ave. N.

**INFO:** Rocky Mountain goats naturally range from southern Alaska, Canada, Washington, Idaho and Montana. Transplanted populations now live in Colorado, Oregon, Wyoming, Utah, Nevada, South Dakota and Washington's Olympic Peninsula. Remarkably adapted for life on steep, cold mountain ledges, mountain goats live, sleep, and eat at elevations of 10,000 feet and up. They are especially adept at hanging out in extremely harsh conditions such as snowy slopes with pitches above 60 degrees, winds up to 100 mph, snow drifts of 30–60 feet high and chilly temperatures down to -50 degrees F.

A mountain goat's incredible adaptations allow it to live high above potential predators such as mountain lions, bears or wolverines. The only predator that lives above the timberline is the golden eagle which might attack a newborn or very young goat.

Summer zoo hours through September 30: 9:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. daily. Evening Zoo, held six nights this summer starting June 21, offers extended hours until 8:30 p.m. Visit [www.zoo.org/eveningzoo](http://www.zoo.org/eveningzoo) for information.



Zoo admission through September 30: Adult (13-64) \$20.95; Child (3-12) \$12.95; Toddler (0-2) Free. Active, retired, and veteran U.S. military and their families, seniors and people with physical disabilities receive an admission discount. Zoo members receive free zoo admission year round. Parking: \$6 plus applicable state and local taxes.

For more information or to become a zoo member, visit [www.zoo.org](http://www.zoo.org) or call 206.548.2500.

Founded in 1899, Woodland Park Zoo is accredited by the Association of Zoos & Aquariums and certified by the rigorous American Humane Conservation program. The Humane Certified™ seal of approval is another important validation of the zoo's long-standing tradition of meeting the highest standards in animal welfare. Woodland Park Zoo is helping to save animals and their habitats through more than 35 field projects in the Pacific Northwest and around the world. Each year, the zoo engages more than a million visitors of all ages, backgrounds, abilities, and walks of life in extraordinary experiences with animals, inspiring them to make conservation a priority in their lives and a difference in our planet's future ecological health and sustainability. Visit [www.zoo.org](http://www.zoo.org) and follow the zoo on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).

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