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Meet the zoo's new Canada lynx!

All three lynx now viewable to the public in the Living Northwest Trail

SEATTLE—All three new Canada lynx, who arrived in Seattle last year, are now viewable to the public in Woodland Park Zoo's Living Northwest Trail. All three live in the brand-new lynx facility and came to Seattle from zoos around the United States. Yukon, 3, came from Northeastern Wisconsin Zoo, Monty, 3, arrived from Fort Wayne Children's Zoo and Marty, 3, came from Minnesota Zoo.

Two of the young male lynx were recently renamed, so that both the animals and their names can be ambassadors for the Pacific Northwest. The lynx were named Monty and Yukon by good friends of the zoo, who have been generous supporters of the zoo and its wildlife conservation efforts. The names were inspired by the mighty Yukon River in Canada and Montreal, one of the country's largest cities in Quebec. The third lynx, Marty, has been enjoying the habitat since it opened in November 2022.

The lynx live in a fission-fusion dynamic in the new exhibit, which means the individuals may move in and out of any possible social combination. Guests can expect to see a single lynx, duos and perhaps up to three lynx on any given day.

More About Lynx:

Lynx live in high mountain habitats of northern forests across North America. Globally, this species has a low risk of extinction. However, in Washington state, lynx are endangered. These mammals rely on healthy forests and plentiful snowpack to hunt their prey. Climate change is reducing snowfall and more frequent wildfires are burning habitat in the region, making lynx and their prey much rarer. Woodland Park Zoo and partners are studying both lynx and wolverines to help recover their populations in the Cascades.

Woodland Park Zoo advocates for and saves species and spaces around the Pacific Northwest through its [Living Northwest Program](#), including lynx, wolverines and many others. The exhibit and its companion website, "[We Are Living Northwest.](#)" provide visitors with numerous conservation actions to take to help the species that share the region's iconic landscapes.

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