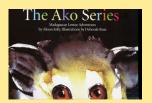


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Meet Pinot, a common brown lemur, or Eulemur fulvus

#### LCF COLONY IN DEPTH:

Meet Pinot! Pinot is a common brown lemur and lives in a family group with his mate and two of their offspring. Common brown lemurs have several known populations in the northern half of Madagascar and on the island of Mayotte, although this population was believed to have been introduced by man. In the western part of their range common brown lemur and mongoose lemur populations overlap but, the two species adapt their activity patterns to avoid conflict. For example, the mongoose lemur can become primarily nocturnal during the dry season in the areas of overlap.

Pinot and his family group are the only common brown lemurs we currently house at the reserve. Their diet includes a variety of fruits and vegetables, as well as a manufactured primate biscuit. They also enjoy numerous local plants as browse, such as wax myrtle and gallberry, as well as pinecones stuffed with berries that we hang from the roof of their enclosure as enrichment.

Pinot and his family group came to LCF in 2006 after they were confiscated by officials for mistreatment by a private owner. They were housed in rabbit-hutches, which caused our male's left leg muscles to atrophy permanently leaving him with a pronounced limp, and the inability to fully extend his leg. The female was bred yearly, and her infants were taken

## "ENVIROKIDZ" TO LEARN ABOUT LEMURS!

Your purchase of 'Leapin Lemurs' cereal and 'Choco Peanut Drizzle Rice Bars' from Nature's Path helps support conservation programs like the AKO Project. away and sold within the pet trade at a very young age.

It is not our policy to 'rescue' animals. We are a conservation and research institution and not a rehabilitation center. An exception was made for this group. Brown lemurs are our special focus, and having a population of this species here at the reserve is important for behavioral research purposes.

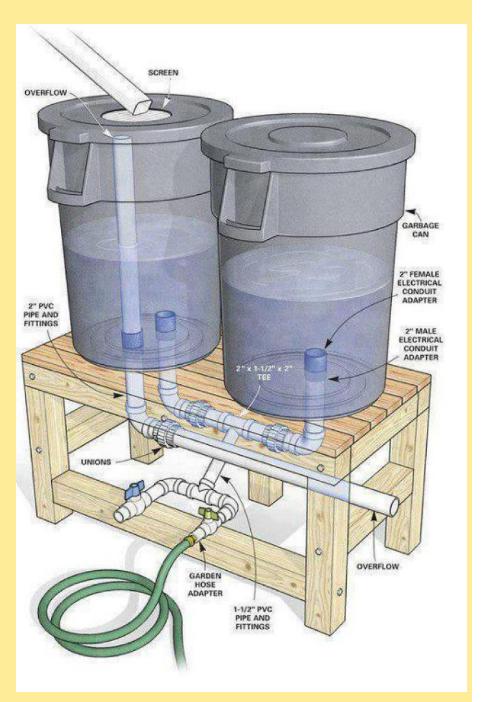
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#### **CONSERVATION IS OUR MIDDLE NAME!**

Do you try to conserve water? Have you ever tried a rain barrel?

It's that time of year again in South Florida... yes the rainy season is upon us here at LCF. Our staff uses 55 gallon drums to collect the rain water from our gutters.

We currently have over 100 gallons of water on "tap" that we use to wash toys, water our browse garden and plants in the animal holding areas.

After the rain is collected in our rain barrels we connect a hose to a spout at the bottom. Simply opening a valve releases the water.

Here is a sketch of a similar system if you are interested in collecting the rain water at home.

It's one more easy, EVERY DAY CONSERVATION tip to conserve one of nature's most precious resources.



#### HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO GET INVOLVED AT LCF?

Would you like to be a volunteer at the reserve? Maybe you would like to host an event for us in your community? Are you a runner? Would you like to organize a team to run for LCF?

Let us know how you would like to get involved! Here are some ideas - we can't wait to hear from you! <u>CLICK HERE FOR WAYS TO GET INVOLVED</u>



#### ANSELL AND THE TWINS CLOSE-UP

The ring tailed lemur twins are doing very well. We still do not know the sex of the infants since there has been no need for staff to intervene as their mother Ansell is doing a fantastic job raising them. These are not her first offspring but they are her first set of twins. Keepers have seen both infants trying solid foods and climbing around on branches, their father and older brother!

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