Sustainable Gardening Supplies

These tools and supplies will help keepers grow fresh, organic produce right at the reserve to use for lemur diets. Having the necessary tools on hand will also allow us to effectively maintain a number of fruit trees and plants growing at the reserve, including loquat, mango, papaya, banana and blueberry.

Sphagnum/moss
Miracle-Gro Potting soil
Espoma ‘Garden Tone’ or ‘Citrus Tone’ Plant Food
Shovels
Pruning shears

Enrichment Supplies

Daily enrichment improves the physical and mental health of our animals by keeping them stimulated. A variety of items and creatively presented snacks encourage our lemurs to engage in natural behaviors like foraging, scent marking, and nesting. As we warm up for the Florida summer, juice is critical to keeping our lemurs hydrated!

100% Juice (summer only)
- Apple (including apple-pineapple, apple-raspberry)
- Grape (including white grape, white grape peach)
- Cranberry (including cran- grape, cran- apple, cran-mango, cran-pineapple, cran-blackberry, cran-raspberry, cran-pomegranate)
- Strawberry kiwi
- Mango
- Peach
- Pedialyte Classic Liters- unflavored, grape, or mixed fruit
- Jam/ Jelly/ fruit butters (low sugar/ natural preferred)
- Grape, strawberry, apple, raspberry, blueberry, blackberry, apricot, mango, kiwi, papaya
- Dried fruit (natural/ no sugar added preferred)
- Raisins, craisins
- Figs, prunes, dates, banana, pineapple, blueberries, apricots
- Nuts & seeds- natural/ no added salt
- Peanuts, walnuts, cashews, almonds, pecans, hazelnuts
- Pumpkin seeds, sunflower seeds (pepitas)- de-shelled preferred
Nut butters
▪ Peanut, almond, cashew- prefer natural, added honey okay
Applesauce
▪ Original, pear, mixed berry, mango-peach
Baby food (fruit and vegetable only - any combination of options listed below)
▪ Banana, peach, pear, plum, mango, sweet potato, squash, peas, kale, pumpkin, papaya, passion fruit, apples, carrots, blueberries, apricot, corn, cranberry
Spices for scent enrichment
▪ Allspice, basil, black pepper, caraway seeds, chives, cinnamon, cumin, dill weed, garlic powder, Italian seasoning, lemon pepper, marjoram, mint, ground mustard, oregano, paprika, parsley, pumpkin spice, rosemary, sage, thyme, turmeric
Milk crates
Cardboard tubes (paper towel/ toilet paper/ wrapping paper tubes)

**Husbandry Supplies**

Each lemur receives their own food bowl daily and each group has at least 2-3 water sources. Dirty bowls and bottles are cleaned and sanitized daily for the lemurs to enjoy fresh meals. That’s a lot of dishes!

Cascade dishwashing packs
Palmolive orange dish liquid
Palmolive Ultra antibacterial orange dish liquid
Laundry detergent (free & gentle preferred)
Clorox bleach
Non-chlorine bleach
Ziploc bags- quart and gallon sizes
Scotch Brite Heavy Duty yellow and green scrub sponges (or similar)
Hefty 30-gallon black trash bags

**Office Supplies**

Masking tape? It’s great for birthing season signs like ‘Quiet, please. Mother and infant resting.’

Printer 8.5” x 11” white paper
Clipboards
Post-it notes
Fine tip Sharpies
Sharpie peel-off china markers in black
Fine-point expo markers (black or color)
Masking tape
AA batteries (alkaline, lithium, or rechargeable)
Tall kitchen trash bags
Staples gift cards

During the coronavirus pandemic, our work and need for gardening, enrichment, husbandry, cleaning and office supplies continue. Because we are taking every precaution to protect our staff and minimize contact with others, our reserve is closed. Please consider mailing or shipping supplies from the lists below, or ordering them from our Amazon Wish Lists. Thank you!

Here is the address to mail or ship supplies to our zoological manager, Caitlin Kenney:

Caitlin Kenney
Lemur Conservation Foundation
PO Box 249
Myakka City, FL 34251

Questions? Please email info@lemurreserve.org. Office staff is working remotely during the pandemic, and the husbandry staff is caring for the lemurs at the reserve. We will respond as soon as possible. Thank you for your understanding.