

Elephants of Asia

Tip Sheet

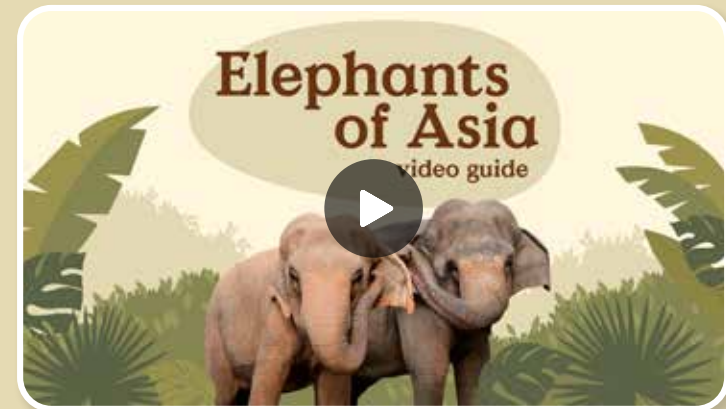
Let's Have a Zoo-rific Time!



Pre-visit



Watch this video to plan your learning journey to Elephants of Asia.



Introduce Elephants of Asia and the elephants to your students before your visit:

- [🔗 Elephants of Asia zone](#)
- [🔗 Elephant eating watermelon](#)

Getting To Elephants of Asia



On foot

From the entrance, take a 30-minute stroll to Elephants of Asia.

Stroll past the Asian small-clawed otter, along the sheltered walkway through Ah Meng Restaurant, past Shaw Foundation Amphitheatre to reach Elephants of Asia.



By tram

From the entrance, take a 15-minute stroll to Tram Station 1. Board the tram and alight at Tram Station 2. Walk 5 minutes to reach Elephants of Asia.



Download the Mandai App to view the map on mobile

During Visit

Try out the suggested activities highlighted in the video [Video Guide – Elephants of Asia](#). Below are additional ideas to consider.

The hut visit



Buddy up and take turns to observe each other's teeth.

Additional observations:

See if you can...

- Compare your teeth to the elephant teeth you see at the hut.
- What do your incisors do? They're like your little helpers for taking the first bites of your favourite snacks! What about your molars? The bigger and flatter teeth at the back of your mouth are your molars. They crush and grind our food!

I Spy



Use See-Think-Wonder Thinking Routine to observe the elephants.

Additional prompting questions:

When observing an elephant closely :

- What do you **see** first?
- What do you **think** that body part of the elephant is for?
- What do you **wonder** about that body part of the elephant?

Move like an elephant



Focus on the sounds that the elephants make. Maybe they will 'trumpet' while you are there.

Additional activity:

Elephants are large animals and sometimes they make a special sound called a 'trumpet'. Can you pretend to be an elephant? Lift your arm like it's a trunk and make a loud 'toot-toot' sound!

Word Bank

Here are some words that might be new to your class.

Essential Agreements

Simple guidelines to regulate your children's behaviour that you get your class to agree to.

Enrichment

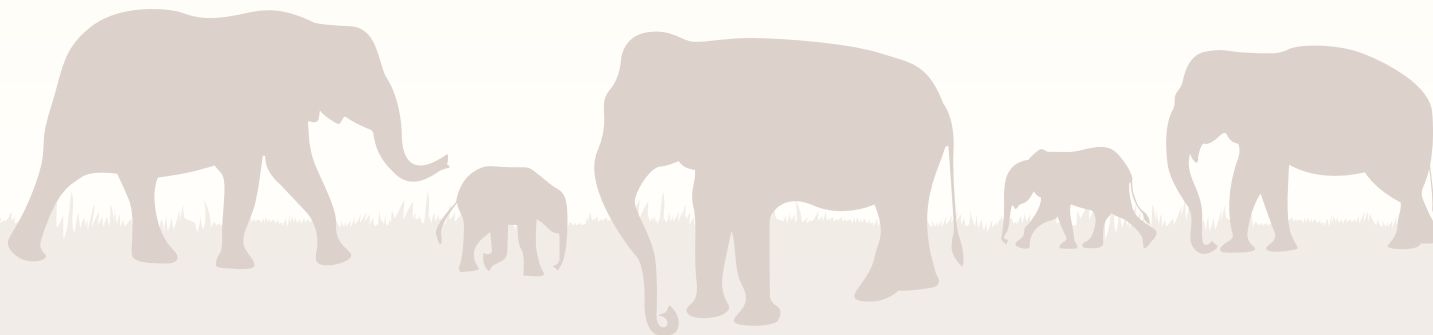
Enrichment for zoo animals includes activities that encourage their natural behaviours, like to look for food or to interact with and explore their surroundings. Enrichment helps zoo animals to stay active and healthy.

Herd

A large group of animals that live together. Being in a herd helps elephants look out for one another and to stay safe.

Pellets

Pellets are dried food shaped like small capsules. Our elephants are given grass and leaves and the occasional fruits as treats. They are fed pellets to supplement their diet.



Post-visit

Extend learning in your classroom

Gather children into small groups to create elephant footprints using craft or recycled materials. Do some research to find out how the footprints look like. Use the created elephant footprints to engage children in imaginative play.

Prompt the children with the following questions.

Where do you think your elephant is going?

or

Are these elephants travelling together in a herd?

Encourage children to share their elephant's journey through storytelling, using the footprints as a story starter.

Additional resources

Find out more about elephant:

- [Wildlife Wonders – All About Elephants](#)
- [World Elephant Day](#)
- [Mandai Monthly: Yoga with Komali](#)
- [Mandai Monthly: Aprila is having a tumour in her eye!](#)