

Tiger Tour Hours

December-March

Tours by reservation ONLY
Call to reserve a tour
573-883-9909

April-November

Thurs & Fri- 11:00am-3:00pm
Sat & Sun- 11:00am-4:00pm
*Tours every hour on the hour

Crown Ridge Tiger Sanctuary

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New Changes to Tours!

In 2013, the sanctuary will be making some changes to a few tours.

Our **Feeding Tour** price is now \$40 per person and is still limited to 10 people per tour. Check our event calendar for available Feeding Tours! Deposit and reservations are required. Ages 13 and over only. Spaces fill up quickly, please call to make reservations.

- 1.5 hour tour
- \$40 per person per tour (10 people maximum)
- All of the amenities of the General Tour, plus:
- Assisting in the preparation of the animal's diets
- Participating in feeding the cats at keeper's discretion through specialized feeding chute

Note: Our feeding tours are solely for educational purposes; there are strict precautionary measures taken to ensure the safety of both the animal and touring participant(s). Touring participant(s) will not be permitted at any time to handle food items and will be required to remain 3 feet behind secured tiger enclosures as mandated by USDA.

We have also updated our **VIP tour** to include a chance to feed one of our cats using a specialized feeding chute (13 years and older only). The VIP tour is now \$75 per person or for kids 12 and under \$50.

V.I.P. tours offered from 11:30am-1:30pm or 1:30pm-3:30pm ONLY. Must have reservation at least 24 hours in advance.

- 2 hour tour
- \$75 per person per tour (10 people maximum)
- All of the amenities of the General Tour, plus:
- Private behind the scenes presentation given in the Educational Center
- Photo opportunity on observation deck
- Participate in an interactive enrichment exercise that will be given to one of the cats during your tour
- Participate in feeding one of the cats through a specialized feeding chute at keeper's discretion (ages 13 and over only)
- Complimentary V.I.P T-shirt
- Complimentary tiger stuffed animal

General tours are still a donation of \$10 per person and last around 40 minutes.

All tours are grrreat experience!

For more information about different types of tours please visit our new website at crownridgetigers.com!

Birthday Parties

Who doesn't love a birthday party?? Well to make your birthday even more fun, have your party at Crown Ridge Tiger Sanctuary!

Birthday parties include:

- 30 minute walking Tour of the sanctuary
- An exciting presentation about tigers
- Touch tiger artifacts which include whiskers, claws, teeth, pelt, etc
- Access to our Observation Deck which has a bird's eye view of the tigers
- We will provide a decorated area for eating/opening presents

You can also add a few fun options. For more information and pricing check out crownridgetigers.com!

Educational Tours

Bring out your Girl Scout, Boy Scout, school group or any group for an Educational tour! Meet our rescued cats while learning about tigers in the wild. Take a tour, go on our observation deck, touch tiger artifacts, enjoy tiger related activities and more! For more information visit crownridgetigers.com!



NEW Website

Crown Ridge has an awesome *new* website <http://crownridgetigers.com>! Don't worry though, if you go to crown-ridge.com it will automatically redirect you to the new site. The website is still a work in progress but has more pictures, more information and more fun stuff! Over the next few months we will be adding lots of new pages like staff bios, tiger information, and much more!

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ROAR Fest

ROAR Fest is our annual Halloween program. This year the tigers had a blast playing with meatball ghosts, paper mache jack-o-lanterns, and bones hidden in mummies and pumpkins. Kids enjoyed a personal tiger tour, played all kinds of fun games, and participated in a costume contest, winning prizes and goody bags. Kids also wrote notes and drew pictures that were then placed inside paper mache jack-o-lanterns and thrown to the tigers. Costume contest winners were awarded with prizes like Fizzy Izzy Root Beer, a set of tiger magnets, stuffed animal tigers, and award ribbons. All the cats enjoyed watching all the kids dressed in silly costumes! Thank you to everyone who came out for the event!



Christmas Parade

This year we had a **blast** in Sainte Genevieve's annual Christmas parade! Volunteer Aaron kindly let us decorate his truck in tiger gear and Christmas decorations and then drove us through the parade. We threw candy to many eager kids who seemed to be just as excited to see Izzy's picture on the side of the truck! Thank you to Sainte Genevieve for letting us participate in such a fun event!



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2013 Crown Ridge Calendar

Stunning photos of all the cats at Crown Ridge are featured in our new calendar for only \$12. All calendars are complete with sanctuary events and all the cat's birthdays! To order email vconaway@crown-ridge.com or call 573-883-9909! All proceeds from calendar sales will go to the care of our rescued cats.



Adopt A Cat

By Adopting A Cat you are helping one of the rescued cats at the sanctuary AND giving a grrreat gift! You can sponsor a cat in honor of someone and even give them a chance to visit the sanctuary.

\$25 Adoption:

- Receive a subscription and recognition in "Pug Marks" (quarterly newsletter)
- certificate of adoption
- picture of your cat
- bio of your cat
- fact sheet
- window decal
- stuffed tiger

\$50 Value:

- Receive a subscription and recognition in "Pug Marks" (quarterly newsletter)
- certificate of adoption
- picture of your cat
- bio of your cat
- fact sheet
- window decal
- stuffed tiger
- 4 general tiger tour tickets



Amazon Wish List

Don't forget our rescued cats this season! All of our cats made the "nice" list this Christmas and would love to receive a gift from our Amazon wish list. Our Amazon wish list makes it super easy to send the sanctuary a donated item! Check our wish list at: <http://amzn.com/w/2IUUVIT6VC16>

Spring and Summer Internships

Program Overview

Crown Ridge is offering internships where students will gain valuable knowledge and working experience with tigers and lions which can be later used to further one's career in the animal field. We have 2 internships to offer this summer and 2 this fall. Our internships are non-paid but students can receive credit in some cases and will receive valuable hands on experience. Interns will participate in the daily care and management of tigers and lions (diet prep, exhibit maintenance, etc.), participate in public tours, and gain a better understanding of animal training, enrichment, and behavior. They will give tours to the general public and participate in group education. Students will also learn about the operation of a non-profit sanctuary, fundraising, and USDA regulations. Lodging is available near the sanctuary for interns free of charge.

Work hours are generally from 8am to 4pm, 4 days a week including weekends. Interns are required to write a summary of their experience, create a new enrichment item, as well as other projects. We are asking for a 10 week commitment as well. This is a great opportunity for students to get hands on animal care experience while learning about the importance of conservation work.

Applicants must be hardworking, focused, dedicated, and able to work independently or in a team environment. The work is physical and primarily performed outdoors in all types of weather.

To apply

Please send your resume, letter of intent, and 3 references to jmeeker@crown-ridge.com. Deadline for summer applicants is March 31 and July 31 for fall applicants.



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Tiger Corridor

Problem:

Tigers are on the verge of extinction with only 3,200 wild tigers left. Tigers are threatened by poaching and habitat loss. Habitats have become fragmented making it more difficult for one population of tigers to reach another. If healthy tiger populations do not have access to one another, breeding becomes more difficult. Tigers now only have 7% of their historic range which continues to decline.



Solution:

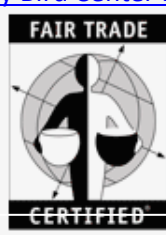
Recently tigers have been discovered at much higher altitudes than researchers previously thought possible. With the discovery of tigers in Himalayas in several countries, including Bhutan, a new plan of action has formed; the tiger corridor. The tiger corridor could "act as a tiger nursery from which tigers could breed safely and spread out to repopulate forests of some of the surrounding countries." Bhutan plays the connecting puzzle piece by linking tiger populations from Nepal into Bhutan and Northern India through Myanmar, Thailand, Lao P.D.R., Cambodia, and ending in Malaysia. By connecting these countries in carefully planned corridors the government is providing safe ways for tigers to survive in human dominated areas. This is a long term strategy in hopes of not only preventing tigers from becoming extinct but to help tigers repopulate naturally and roam freely once again

How You Can Help:

Forest clearing for illegal logging and agricultural cash crops destroys tiger habitat and is a major threat to the survival of tigers. Harvesting palm oil is destroying the forest in which many endangered animals live, including tigers. Over half of the products we use contain palm oil, often disguised under vegetable oil. Check for alternative products that use a sustainable source of palm oil. Or help by spreading awareness and putting pressure on major companies to switch to a sustainable source. Visit change.org for petitions concerning the use of palm oil.

Here is a list of ways you can support companies that are implementing sustainable practices:

- Buy 100% postconsumer recycled paper, [FSC-certified wood and paper products](#)
- Buy sustainable coffee: Look for the label of a recognized independent certifier like the [Rainforest Alliance](#), [Fair Trade](#), [UTZ Certified](#) and [Smithsonian Migratory Bird Center Bird Friendly](#)





Special Thank You's

Crown Ridge Tiger Sanctuary would like to send out a few special thank you's!

Pre-Vet Club from SIU Carbondale and Mizzou's Tigers for Tigers Club for volunteering for a day at the sanctuary and helping us complete some projects!

Henry Swiman who kindly donated part of his allowance to help our rescued tigers!

Stockyard Meat Company in St. Louis, Feed My Peeps, and everyone who donated meat to feed our cats!

Adopt A Cat Supporters

Thank you to all of our new Adopt A Cat members! Your support helps give these cats the best lives possible!

Hayley Miutey
Aaron White
Kathryn Bradley
Carol Thoele
Paul Flotron
Shirley Darfee
Elizabeth & Elliot Reed
Christina Hummel
Amelia McDonald
Charlene McDonald
Amanda Conkle
Nelson Wainwright
Richard Kluba
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