

About Toyohashi Zoo and Botanical Park

Tracing the history of life and thinking about the future of our planet

You can see all the activities of “life” on a global scale



Toyohashi Zoo and Botanical Park (Non Hoi Park) is a 40-hectare facility that includes a zoo, a botanical garden, a natural history museum, and an amusement park. It is one of the few comprehensive parks in Japan where you can see living things and this planet with a broad perspectives.

In the zoo area, we are making efforts to protect animal’s well-being and to prevent extinction of endangered species. Visitors will be able to learn about and empathize with animals and the environment surrounding them through active animals.

In the botanical garden area, you can find many kinds of plants that grow not only in Japan but also all over the world. The diversity of the plants such as beautiful flowers and large trees make us astonished. You will image each region where the plants live.

The Natural History Museum make Toyohashi Zoo and Botanical Park more uniqueness. It provides introduction to the history of the stars, the global flow of life, and the nature of the local area ”Toyohashi”; from the birth of the planet to the present day. Visitors will be able to go back hundreds of millions of years to learn about the memory of this planet and life, and feel the connection to the nature around us.

This is a place where you can experience the history of life, and feel life living in the present age. This is a place where you can travel all the way from 4 billion years ago when life was born to the present day, and you can see modern animals and plants adapting to live in various environments. This is the Toyohashi Zoo and Botanical Park. From comprehensive experiences in the zoo, the botanical garden, and the natural history museum all in one place, we hope you to learn about histories and life on the earth , and think over the future of our planet.

History of Toyohashi Zoo and Botanical Park

- ▶ 1899 Masajiro Ando opened a private zoo named “Ando Zoo”
- ▶ 1931 Ando Donated to Toyohashi City and became a public zoo named “Toyohashi Zoo”
- ▶ 1945 Closed ; Be Destroyed completely by aerial bombing in World War II
- ▶ 1954 Reopened
- ▶ 1970 Moved to current place
- ▶ 1992 Expanded and renewed as “Toyohashi Zoo & Botanical Park”
- ▶ 1996 Greenhouse and outdoor botanical garden opened
- ▶ 2004 50th Anniversary Events
- ▶ 2005 Reached a cumulative total of 10 million visitors
- ▶ 2012 Reached a cumulative total of 15 million visitors
- ▶ 2018 Borneo Conservation Project launched
- ▶ 2019 Recognized as a rare species conservation zoo by the Ministry of the Environment
- ▶ 2020 Joined the World Association of Zoos and Aquariums
Member of Species Information System International (Species360)