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NEW CHEETAHS DEBUT AT THE MARYLAND ZOO

Brothers Bud and Davis arrived from Nebraska in March

BALTIMORE, MD – You can now spot two new male cheetah (*Acinonyx jubatus*) at The Maryland Zoo. In March, brothers Bud and Davis arrived from the Lee G. Simmons Conservation Park and Wildlife Safari in Ashland, Nebraska.

The four-year-old pair completed their mandatory quarantine and are making their debut to the public in their habitat in the African Journey area of the Zoo.

Cheetah, the world's fastest land mammal, are also the most endangered cat in Africa. Historically native to Africa and Asia from South Africa to India, cheetah can now only be found in parts of eastern, central and southwestern Africa, as well as a small portion of Iran. Cheetah are facing extinction due to habitat loss, the illegal wildlife trade and human-wildlife conflict.

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Founded in 1876, The Maryland Zoo in Baltimore is the third oldest zoo in the United States and is internationally known for its contributions in conservation and research. More than 1,500 animals are represented in the Zoo's varied natural habitat exhibits such as the AZA-Award winning *Penguin Coast*, Polar Bear Watch, the Maryland Wilderness, African Journey and the award-winning Children's Zoo. Situated in Druid Hill Park near downtown Baltimore, the Zoo is accredited by the Association of Zoos & Aquariums. For more information, visit www.marylandzoo.org.

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