Happy 40 years, Zoo Doo! Coveted compost available in bulk: April 19 and 20

WHAT: And just like spring, Zoo Doo is a breath of fresh air and almost here! It goes fast, so now is the time for gardeners to place their bulk orders for Woodland Park Zoo's coveted compost. Pickup will be available two days: April 19 and 20. Zoo Doo for March is sold out.

> This year marks 40 years since the zoo began turning pungent piles of its animal poop into the richest, highly aromatic, most exotic compost in the Pacific Northwest. Zoo Doo is a great way to keep gardens clean and healthy for the benefit of pollinators and other local wildlife and is a sustainable green choice. The zoo's horticulture experts also use Zoo Doo throughout the zoo in its award-winning animal habitats and other landscaped areas.

> Zoo Doo is a fully composted concoction of bedding materials (straw, sawdust, wood chips, etc.) from around the zoo mixed with feces pooped by a variety of the zoo's animals including zebras, giraffe, lions, pudus, primates, mountain goats, rhinos, elk and more. The sweet, aromatic Zoo Doo is perfect for growing veggies and annuals.

Thanks to community philanthropic investments, the new composting system has doubled production—resulting in more than 1 million pounds of Zoo Doo a year—which means more waste turned into compost.

While picking up your Zoo Doo, bring a cell phone, tablet, or other used handheld electronics to recycle through <u>ECO-CELL</u> and be entered to win a zoo family <u>membership</u>!

WHEN:Zoo Doo will be available for pickup at the zoo:
Saturday and Sunday, April 19 and 20, 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

HOW: Visit <u>www.zoo.org/zoodoo</u> to book a pickup, pay with a credit card and receive instructions for pickup.

COST: 25 gallons - \$16.50 50 gallons - \$32.50 75 gallons - \$45 100 gallons - \$55 4'x5' pickup truck (300 gallons) - \$85 4'x6' pickup truck (400 gallons) - \$105 5'x8' pickup truck (550 gallons) - \$125

INFO: Visit <u>www.zoo.org/zoodoo</u> for information or call 206.625.POOP (7667).



As a conservation organization, Woodland Park Zoo is committed to reducing its own ecological footprint and educating the community in doing the same. The Zoo Doo program is central to the zoo's goal of increasing waste diversion from landfills and demonstrating closed loop approach to integrated resource management.

Zoo hours: 9:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m. daily. To learn more about Woodland Park Zoo or to become a zoo member, visit <u>www.zoo.org</u> or call 206.548.2500. Follow the zoo on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Instagram</u>, <u>Bluesky</u> and <u>TikTok</u>.

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