

Illegal Animal Trade

The illegal animal trade is a complex and widespread worldwide trade of animals and/or animal products that endangers wildlife.

Endangered animals have an even higher demand in the illegal animal trade than other animals. Animals like rhinos, pangolins, various birds species are traded and/or killed for their meat, ivory, etc...



Animals are traded and moved from place to place and are crammed into whatever space they can fit. This can cause them to become depressed. Animals can also suffer from malnutrition, which is why these animals that are traded have a mortality rate of 80-90%.

Here's what you can do:

When buying animal products make sure that they are not from endangered animals. Also, don't buy exotic animals. They are meant to stay in the wild and keeping them in your home can be both bad for them and dangerous for you. Some organizations you can donate to are WCS and WWF.