

[Open Enclosure for Baby Orphan Orangutans Built in Borneo](#)

The Orangutan Project has built a brand new enclosure for young rescued orangutans this month at the Ketapang Rescue Center in Borneo, Indonesia.

Online PR News “04-February-2013” The new enclosure will allow young rescued orphan orangutans to roam safely in the trees within the centers enclosure, providing them with more freedom and independence whilst they are rehabilitated to one-day return to the wild.

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The young orangutans at the center were previously kept in smaller enclosures where they were rehabilitated and cared for until they were deemed suitable for their release into the wild.

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Thanks to the new open enclosure, they now have more space to play, grow and interact in a place that simulates their natural environment.

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The first 20 orangutans have now been moved into the New Baby enclosure. They all did extremely well, and love their new home! The enclosure is the perfect place for the young orangutans (between the ages of 1-4 years) to learn how to survive in the wild when the time comes and they are ready to be released.

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It was fantastic that we could fund a project like this and see it come to fruition said Leif Cocks, President and Founder of The Orangutan Project, these young orangutans that are being rehabilitated now have the freedom to roam in the trees, play with other orangutans and learn how to live in their natural environment, while remaining safe and under the close watch of their human carers.

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The enclosure will allow for the young orangutans to develop nest-building skills that will help them survive in the wild. When the first 20 orangutans were introduced to the new enclosure, one young orangutan that was just 3 years old made a nest for the first night, and slept outside in the forest enclosure.

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The Ketapang Rescue Center is for the rescue, rehabilitation and relocation of orangutans that have lost their forest habitat to make way for destructive palm oil plantations in West Kalimantan, Borneo. The center is being built to house 100 rescued orangutans, treating any injuries and providing a safe and healthy environment for them, until they are ready to be released back into protected areas of forest.

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