



23 babies born  
to date at  
**Ringling Bros.  
Center for  
Elephant  
Conservation**

# Why the *Ringling Bros. Center for Elephant Conservation*®?

Polk County, FL — With less than 35,000 Asian elephants left in the wild, and the habitat of those in the wild increasingly threatened, captive breeding programs like the one at the *Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Center for Elephant Conservation* are vital to the future survival of this amazing species.

“ A concerted effort to save the Asian elephant is imperative. Zoos are doing their best with the resources they have, but most can't afford to maintain a large breeding group of elephants. The *Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Center for Elephant Conservation* is dedicated to saving the Asian elephant and has both the resources and the commitment to succeed. ”

---**Jack Hanna**,  
Director Emeritus, Columbus Zoo

