



# The Elephants of the Watani Grasslands Reserve

Use this guide to become familiar with the N.C. Zoo's pachyderms. You'll note that the elephants are reddish in color. Elephants enjoying dusting themselves with soil and our Carolina red clay has stained their skin.

## C'sar ▶

(pronounced "say-zar")

- Male, estimate birth 1974
- Wild caught in Africa, 1976
- C'sar came to the N.C. Zoo in 1978 from the International Animal Exchange in Michigan
- Weighs 13,400 pounds



left ear injured early in life... it is smaller and stays flat against his body

thick tusk grow evenly



C'sar has been at the N.C. Zoo longer than any other member of the permanent animal population



Artie has several notches along the edges of his ears

No visible tusks



## Artie ▲

- Male, estimated birth 1979
- Wild caught in Zimbabwe, Africa, around 1984
- Artie came to the N.C. Zoo in 2007 from Riddle's Elephant Sanctuary in Arkansas
- Weighs 12,500 pounds

## Rafiki ▶

(pronounced "rah-fee-kee")

- Female, born 1981 in Zimbabwe, Africa
- Wild caught in 1983
- Rafiki came to the N.C. Zoo in 2003 from the Toledo Zoo
- Weighs 9,500 pounds



right tusk short and straight

left tusk not visible



right tusk very straight

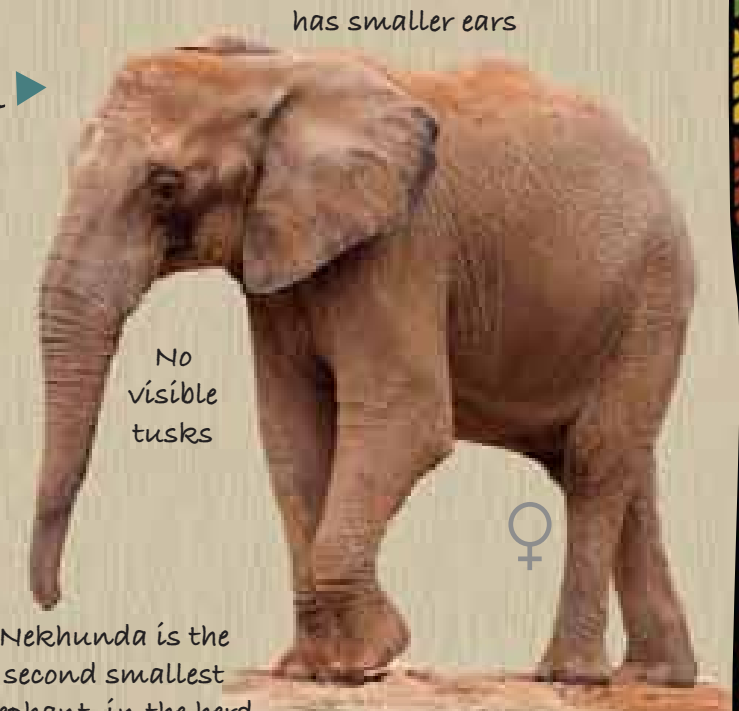
left tusk is curved



first surviving African elephant born in North America

## Nekhunda ▶

- Female, born 1988
- Wild caught in Zimbabwe
- Nekhunda came to the N.C. Zoo in 2007 from Valley Zoo in Canada



has smaller ears

No visible tusks



Nekhunda is the second smallest elephant in the herd

## ▲ Little Diamond

- Female, born in 1978 at the Knoxville Zoo, Tennessee
- Little Diamond came to the N.C. Zoo in 1995 (on loan from the Knoxville Zoo)
- Weighs 9,200 pounds

## Tonga ▶

(Swahili for "friend")

- Female, born around 1978
- Wild caught in Africa, 1980
- Tonga came to the N.C. Zoo in 2007 from Riddle's Elephant Sanctuary in Arkansas
- Weighs 8,000 pounds



Batir is Tonga's daughter



left tusk shorter than right tusk

## ▼ Batir (pronounced "bah-teer")

- Female, born 2002 at Riddle's Elephant Sanctuary in Arkansas
- Batir came with her mother to the N.C. Zoo in 2007 from Riddle's Elephant Sanctuary
- Weighs 3500 pounds (& growing every day!)



Batir is a young elephant and the smallest in the herd

young female



left tusk not visible