



**Two Toed Sloth**  
*Choloepus didactylus*

**Geographical Range:** The two-toed sloth can be found in Central America through central South America.

**Habitat:** The canopies of the rain forest are where the two-toed sloth likes to dwell.

**Exhibit Location:** You will find our two toed sloths in the rainforest exhibit of EcoStation.

**Physical Characteristics:** The two-toed sloth is a slow moving animal highly specialized for life in the trees. It is well-furred, grayish-brown in color with a pale face. Its hair is parted down the midline of its chest and belly. Its limbs are long, the forelimbs slightly more so than the hind limbs, and the feet are narrowly curved. The toes are bound closely together with skin for their entire length and each has a three inch long hook like claw. The soles of its feet are naked and padded.

**Diet:** In the wild, the two-toed sloth feeds on leaves, tender twigs and fruits. In captivity, they are fed primate diet, meat mix, dog chow, yogurt and mixed fruits and vegetables.

**Did you know?**

- The sloth is especially well camouflaged during the rainy season when its coarse fur takes on a greenish tint due to algae growth on the flutings of the hairs.
- The sloth spends much of its time in an upside down position. Its specialized feet and hook-like claws provide a firm hold as the sloth moves slowly and deliberately along the underside of the branches.

**Status:** Numbers stable at this time.