5 Enrichment Categories

Not Mutually Exclusive

SOCIAL

Conspecifics
group *(chimpanzee)*
solitary *(mountain lion)*

Other Animals
horse & goat
mixed parrot flock

People
caretaker
trainer
visitors

Other?
mirror
look-alike
plush toy

COGNITIVE

Mental Stimulation
puzzle feeders
training session

Novel Experience
unusual food
novel item
unusual scent

PHYSICAL HABITAT

Perching / Climbing Structure
texture, diameter
motion, resting spots

Substrates
materials (variety)
shape, amount
water element

Nest / Den
variety
build their own
nesting materials

Refuges
from people, animals
elevation, viewpoint
partial visual barrier

Climate Gradients
light
temperature
humidity, wind

SENSORY

Tactile
manipulanda
brush board
substrate pile

Olfactory & Taste
packaged scent
natural scent
(dung, urine, slough, hide)

Auditory
vocalizations
"white" noise
noisemakers (bell, xylophone)

Visual
sight of prey
mirror
moving toys

FOOD

Novel Food Items
melon to hyena
frozen juice to rats

Food Presentation
puzzle feeder
scatter feeding
hidden/buried food

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