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Adoption update on Nita November 2016

Rehabilitation centre	Nyaru Menteng
Arrival date	13 November 2008
Age on arrival	1.5 - 2 years old
Current age	10 years old
Gender	Female
Previous location	Socialisation Complex
Current location	Socialisation Complex

Alongside Clara, Leyka, and Rawayang, Nita always enjoys her days at the Socialisation Complex. They spend all day together playing and eating. Even in the evenings they stay together by huddling up and going to sleep, an adorable sight!

Orangutans require as much stimulation as human five year olds and keeping them interested and entertained is no simple task. Our rescue centres have an enrichment program that develops tools to stimulate and enhance the orangutan's natural abilities as well as keep them entertained.



Nita is a huge fan of this program and loves all the tools the team gives her. One of her favourite tools is the Nyaru Menteng version of the kong that many people give their dogs. Our version of the kong is a plastic bottle filled with various frozen fruit. Nita's loves to systematically bang the kong against the wall to crush the ice inside, giving her access to the yummy fruit inside. Her method works every time and she's even taught some of her friends the same technique. The tools given to her make her so focused on the task at hand that no one can break her attention.

Nita is very food orientated and loves the fruit and vegetables given to her by the staff. She loves watermelon and bananas, but corn is her absolute favourite. Whenever corn is on the menu, Nita will beg for more. She loves to carry husks of corn like a baby before finding a quiet spot to gobble them down.

Being such a friendly ape, Nita is a favourite amongst the staff. The vets say Nita is in superb condition and seems to make progress every day. We think she's set up well for life in the wild one day.

