Indianapolis Zoo Helping Species this Halloween

How can a piece of Halloween candy affect an endangered species half a world away? A single ingredient in that candy: palm oil.

Palm oil is economically vital for Borneo and Sumatra, but it is also contributing to the decline of wild orangutan populations. Any viable solution must benefit humans as well as wildlife. Consumers can become involved by supporting companies working toward using certified sustainable palm oil (CSPO).

The Indianapolis Zoo encourages its members, guests and zoos nationwide to become more involved in responsibly addressing this crisis.



Sustainable Palm Oil Candies and Snacks

Best Choices – products contain no palm oil/CSPO only	
Conagra	Fiddle Faddle, Crunch & Munch, Poppy Cock
Endangered Species Chocolate	All flavors
Ghirardelli	All flavors
Hershey's	Twizzlers, Whoppers, Reese's Peanut Butter Cups, Almond Joy, Jolly Rancher
Justin's	Peanut Butter Cups, NutButter (all flavors)
Kellogg's	Rice Krispie Treats
Kraft Foods	Carmels, Cadbury, Toblerone
Lindt and Sprungli	Lindor Truffles (all flavors)
Mars	Snickers, Twix, Skittles, Milky Way, 3 Musketeers, Starburst
PepsiCo (Frito Lay)	Doritos, Cheetos
Haribo	All flavors
Perfetti Van Melle	Airheads and Chupa Chups
Alternate Choices – some steps have been taken for CSPO	
Nabisco (Mondelez)	Nutter Butter, Chips Ahoy, Sour Patch Kids
Nestlé	Kit Kat

^{*} These companies are members of the Round Table on Sustainable Palm Oil. Visit www.rspo.org to learn how your consumer choices can support orangutan conservation.

What is palm oil?

An edible vegetable oil taken from the pulp of oil palm fruits, palm oil is used in more than half of consumer products: from foods to cosmetics, personal hygiene items to fuels for cars, and so much more.

Grown on small family farms as well as large plantations, nearly 85 percent of the world's palm oil is produced in Indonesia and Malaysia, the only remaining natural habitat for wild orangutans as well as countless other species.

The issue occurs when nutrient-rich forest land is destroyed for illegal plantations.

