

Brown throated sloth

Bradypus variegatus

Order: Pilosa Family: Bradypodidae

AZA: phase out

TAG: PAX

RCP: 2009

Husbandry manual :
N/A

Studbook: N/A



The genus *Bradypus* has not fared well in captivity out of its natural range. The main obstacle appears to be obtaining fresh leaves for its diet. The current thinking is that individuals develop intestinal flora to help in the digestion of leaves from a small variety of trees. In addition providing certain nutrients at trace levels have proved difficult. Today only The Dallas World Aquarium houses this genus outside of its native range. This institution has kept three-toed sloths for several years now. At this time no captive breeding program is planned.