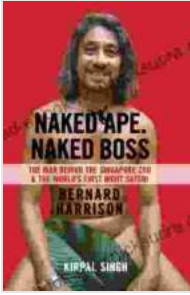


# The Man Behind the Singapore Zoo and the World's First Night Safari

Dr. Ong Swee Law: A Visionary Conservationist



**Naked Ape, Naked Boss: The Man Behind the Singapore Zoo and the world's first night safari**



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Dr. Ong Swee Law was a pioneer in the field of wildlife conservation. His passion for animals led him to create the Singapore Zoo, one of the world's most renowned zoos, and the world's first Night Safari.

Dr. Ong was born in Singapore in 1926. He developed a love for animals at a young age, and he often spent his free time exploring the forests and jungles of Singapore. After graduating from the University of Malaya, Dr. Ong worked as a veterinarian in the Singapore Zoological Gardens. In 1973, he was appointed as the director of the zoo.

Under Dr. Ong's leadership, the Singapore Zoo underwent a major transformation. He introduced new exhibits, such as the orangutan island and the elephant enclosure, and he also increased the number of animals in the zoo. Dr. Ong's goal was to create a zoo that was both educational and entertaining, and he succeeded in making the Singapore Zoo one of the most popular tourist attractions in Singapore.

In 1984, Dr. Ong opened the Night Safari, the world's first nocturnal zoo. The Night Safari is a unique experience that allows visitors to see animals

that are active at night. The zoo is home to over 1,000 animals from around the world, including tigers, lions, leopards, and elephants.

Dr. Ong's work has had a major impact on wildlife conservation. The Singapore Zoo and the Night Safari have helped to raise awareness of the importance of protecting endangered species, and they have also inspired other zoos around the world to adopt more innovative and educational approaches to animal care.

Dr. Ong Swee Law passed away in 2013, but his legacy continues to live on. The Singapore Zoo and the Night Safari are two of Singapore's most popular tourist attractions, and they continue to inspire and educate visitors from around the world.

### **The legacy of Dr. Ong Swee Law**

Dr. Ong Swee Law's legacy is one of innovation, dedication, and passion. He was a pioneer in the field of wildlife conservation, and his work has helped to make Singapore a world leader in animal care and conservation.

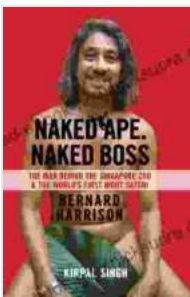
The Singapore Zoo and the Night Safari are two of Dr. Ong's most enduring legacies. These zoos are home to some of the world's most endangered species, and they have played a vital role in raising awareness of the importance of wildlife conservation.

Dr. Ong's work has also inspired other zoos around the world to adopt more innovative and educational approaches to animal care. His legacy will continue to inspire future generations of wildlife conservationists, and his work will continue to make a difference in the lives of animals around the world.

Here are some of the awards and honors that Dr. Ong Swee Law received for his work:

\* The Order of Nila Utama (NUN) in 1983 \* The Meritorious Service Medal (PBM) in 1973 \* The Public Service Medal (PBM) in 1967 \* The Singapore Zoo's Lifetime Achievement Award in 2013

Dr. Ong Swee Law was a true pioneer in the field of wildlife conservation. His work has had a major impact on the lives of animals around the world, and his legacy will continue to inspire future generations of conservationists.



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