

SLEEP/REST and NEST BUILDING

Chimpanzees spend more than half of their life sleeping and resting. They mostly sleep (50%) overnight and rest (9%) for some time during the day.

Chimpanzees rest in incredible heights (30-50") up in the canopy:



<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Olbrzuz2ot0&feature=related>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VoiUtT0TsIE&feature=related>

In captivity chimpanzees should at least be provided with:

Elevated structures

Beds/Baskets



Sleeping platforms



Hammocks



Nesting materials

If elevated structures cannot be provided, substrates need to be added on grounds for nest building. Please compare resting without and with substrate:



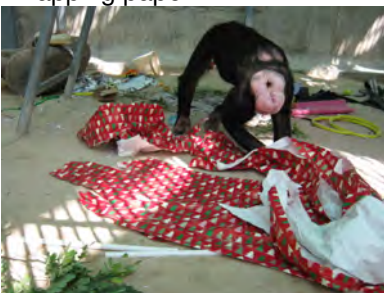
Shredded paper



Excelsior



Wrapping paper



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Clothing



Hay/straw



Browse



Dry leaves



Natural soil, grass and vegetation

