

AN INTERVIEW WITH JUNGLE JACK

Q: How many countries have you visited?

A: Too many to count. I do know that I have been to all 7 continents: North America, South America, Europe, Asia, Australia, Africa, and Antarctica.

Q: What is your favorite animal?

A: I love all kinds of animals! But elephants are probably my favorite to watch in the wild.

Q: Has an animal ever bitten you?

A: I have been bitten and nipped at more times than I can remember. The two worst bites I have ever had were from a HUGE anaconda and, believe it or not, a beaver!

Q: I want to work with animals. How should I prepare?

A: When I was growing up, I loved animals and took advantage of every animal-related opportunity that was available. I volunteered to help a veterinarian one summer and then got a paid job helping him the following few summers. I have also worked at a pet shop and petting zoo. I recommend reading everything you can about animals and volunteering at your local shelter, zoo, veterinarian's office, etc. There are a lot of wonderful academic programs available in high schools and colleges that can prepare you for a career with animals. For more information on Zoo careers, check out these links from the Association of Zoos & Aquariums (<http://www.aza.org/Education/detail.aspx?id=260>) and the Columbus Zoo (<http://www.columbuszoo.org/hr/articles.aspx?articleid=12>).

Q: What is your favorite color?

A: Hunter Green

Q: How can I contact you?

A: The best way to learn about me is on this website. If you cannot find the information you are looking for email your questions to info@jackhanna.com

Q: What is your favorite song?

A: "Born Free" — My wife and I danced to this song at our wedding.

Q: What is your favorite food?

A: Chicken Dumplings. No Wait — homemade chocolate chip cookies!!