

Big baby: Los Angeles Zoo's new giraffe is just under 6 feet

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The Los Angeles Zoo has a big baby.

The zoo announced Wednesday that a male Masai giraffe was born Oct. 9. The unnamed 130-pound baby stands just under 6 feet tall and is the <u>firstborn</u> of 4-year-old mother, Zainabu.

Animal keeper Mike Bona says visitors who want to see the <u>calf</u> while he's still relatively small should come while he's still young because he could be nearly 10 feet tall by his first birthday.

Masai giraffes can grow to 17 feet and weigh 2,700 pounds. The species comes from southern Kenya and northern Tanzania and is the largest of all giraffes.

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