

Baby elephant joins herd at San Diego Zoo Safari Park

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Umzula-zuli—or Zuli, for short—tipped the scales at 270 pounds—making it the largest elephant ever born at the safari park.



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