# Simatran

## He is...

a Sumatran Orangutan (Pongo abelii), a member of a critically endangered species. Their distribution is now restricted to a few locations in northern Sumatra.

The most southerly viable population is in the **Batang Toru region. Until now, this population** been poorly recognized, studied and protected. The area's landscape includes both forest and areas farmed by local people. Their gardens include a range of tree crops, including rubber. Like the orangutan, these people support their needs from the local environment, of which they are stewards.

To understand and reduce the threats (such as deforestation and hunting) that face this orangutan population, World Agroforestry Centre (ICRAF) and Conservation International (CI) have begun a two year project. This partnership is considering both population dynamics and ecological needs of the species, and how these needs and those of local people can be secured for the future.

We hope that by working with the community to enhance their livelihoods by improving garden management, the need to further open forest will be reduced.

## Who is she?



### He's smart He's good looking and he's critically endangered

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She's his neighbour She manages the landscape She's one of us

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