



Lost Apple Varieties Saved

A man, from Clemmons in the south-eastern US state of North Carolina, has spent his retirement tracking down rare and lost apple varieties in an attempt to save them. 79-year-old, Tom Brown, has travelled around Appalachia since the late 1990s. Appalachia was home to some 14,000 orchard-grown varieties at the beginning of the last century but by the late 1990s, commercial orchards in the US were growing only around 100 different types. Since Mr Brown's quest began, he has coaxed back more than 1,200 apple varieties in his orchard. Tom said: 'One so-called expert said I should only be trying to find the really outstanding varieties, but to me, they're all equally important. Years ago, they all had their uses – be it for cider, for canning or turning into jelly, or for animal feed. It's a thrill to rediscover them, and to know I'm

doing something unique.' Mr Brown plans to continue searching for rare apples but as apple trees do not generally live long, it is becoming harder to do.



*Pictured: Tom Brown with some of his 'lost' apple varieties
Source: @HiraethResists*

One In A Million Colour Party!



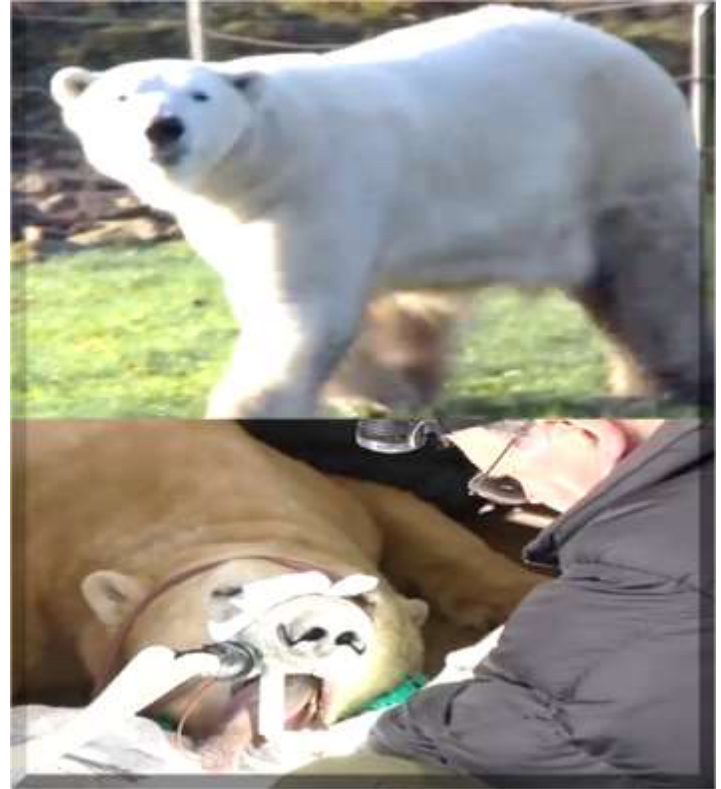
*Pictured: The rainbow captured from the Peak District summit
Source: Danny Shepherd's Facebook post*

Photographer, Danny Shepherd, has captured a spectacular image of a full double rainbow from a Peak District summit. Mr Shepherd, who has been taking pictures in the national park for 20 years, witnessed the spectacular view at the top of Mam Tor. He later posted the pictures on social media saying: 'If you were one of the lucky ones on Mam Tor this morning, you would have seen a 1 in a million colour party that lasted a good 20 mins.' The rainbow could also be seen from Winnats Pass and by mid-afternoon it was viewed near Langsett Reservoir, South Yorkshire. Have you ever seen a double rainbow? We would love to hear about it if you have!



Polar Bear Needs A Dentist

What happens if you have toothache? Do you visit the dentist? It turns out that is what polar bears do too! Polar bear, Sisu, was visited at Yorkshire Wildlife Park, Doncaster, by animal dentists after keepers noticed that one of his three-inch canine teeth was broken. The three-year-old polar bear was operated on for an hour by animal dentist, Dr Peter Kertesz. He carried out the tooth root filling along with dental nurse, Monika Mazurkiewicz and a vet specialised in the use of anaesthetics. Dr Kertesz said: 'It was a standard procedure, where we cleaned out the infected root canal of the canine tooth, which was over three inches long, and filled it. Sisu will now have a pain and infection free tooth for the rest of his life.' Charlotte McDonald, the wildlife park's director of animals, has since confirmed that Sisu is now fully recovered.



Pictured: Polar bear, Sisu.

Source: @YorkshireWP Twitter page

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I don't think it should be just one person who chooses. Everyone should be involved so we learn about and remember a variety of things.

Cora – age 11



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I want to choose for myself but sometimes this is hard as it means looking into the past for myself and finding it out and it can be hard and take a lot of time.

James – age 9

My mum and dad and grandpa.

Destiny – age 5

I think...



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