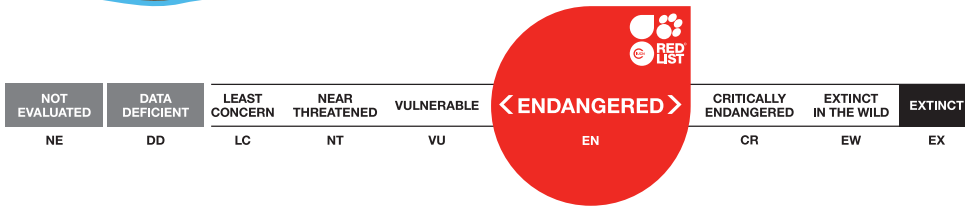


# LEARN AT CHESTER ZOO



**A very high risk of becoming Extinct in the wild**

<b>Name</b>	Asian Elephant
<b>Scientific Name</b>	<i>Elephas maximus</i>
<b>Threats</b> (why they're at risk)	Cutting down trees and conflict with people protecting their crops.
<b>Distribution</b> (where they live)	Parts of India and Southeast Asia.
<b>Habitat</b> (what they live in)	They move around in forests and open grass.
<b>Diet/Feeding strategy</b> (what they eat and how they eat it)	They eat leaves, grasses, shrubs and crops, upto 200 kg a day. Their trunks can hold upto 14 litres of water. They poo upto 100 kg a day.
<b>Social behaviour</b> (how they live)	Females are really social and live in big family herds. Males are more solitary.
<b>Males and females</b>	Males are bigger than females. Males can have tusks, but females don't have any.
<b>Lifespan</b> (how long they live for)	70 years in the wild.
<b>Number of young</b> (how many babies)	1 every 3-4 years.
<b>Interesting fact</b>	Their trunk is their nose and top lip fused together. They use their trunk to breathe, eat, drink, smell and communicate.