



A cow moose with a very young calf or twin calves is a delight to see. A female Shiras moose has a gestation period of about 230 days and gives birth between mid-May and early June. Generally weighing in at around 30 pounds for a single calf and slightly less for twins, moose begin life with soft fluffy russet-colored fur and a wobbly gait. Smoothie's calf was especially tiny as a newborn, probably at the low end of the range of 24-35 pounds for a calf's birth weight. However, like all calves, she was quickly able to follow Mom confidently wherever she went. Over the summer, a calf's cuteness gives way to its beauty...

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