

WOODSIDE WILDLIFE PARK

Teacher Guidance Notes

Accessibility

Woodside Wildlife Park has good access from the road. The car park is located right outside the main entrance and is suitable for both cars and coaches, with overflow parking available.

The site is wheelchair friendly, with the majority of displays accessible by footpath. Around the park there are many visual displays detailing both descriptive and instructional information for visitors, such as times of displays and detailed species information. Furthermore, there are Rangers available onsite to provide guided tours for larger groups (see information on Group Sizes below).

To maximise effectiveness and accessibility, displays take place in either the Outdoor Display Area or the Indoor Arena. The Outdoor Display Area has ample seating and is an ideal environment for bird displays. The secure Indoor Arena includes an elevated stage with benched seating for the audience, and enables visitors to interact fully with the different animals.

Location

Woodside Wildlife Park is located 5 miles east of Lincoln, just off the A158, near Langworth.

Facilities

The park is equipped with excellent facilities including toilets (male, female and disabled), washrooms, gift shop, and coffee shop.

Children's lunches are catered for in our indoor picnic area.

Weather

As much as we'd like to, we cannot control the weather! As many of our activities take place in the great outdoors, please check the weather forecast for the day of your trip and remember to pack any relevant extras. These could include: sunhats, sun cream, drinking water, waterproof clothing and suitable footwear.

However, in the case of adverse weather conditions, we do have the facilities to run all shows in our indoor arena.

Group Sizes

To qualify for a Ranger-led guided tour, a minimum of 15 pupils are required. Similarly, to qualify for the discount school rate, a minimum of 15 pupils are required. Please be aware that for every eight pupils booked onto a trip, one adult goes free of charge.

Roles of the Teacher and Ranger

During the visit, teachers are asked to work collaboratively with the Ranger. We ask that teachers maintain a pastoral role with their pupils, and support the Ranger in meeting the Health and Safety requirements of the site. The Ranger is responsible for leading most activities in the park, and will provide appropriate educational input during your visit. An explicit breakdown of Teacher and Ranger roles is provided in *Woodside Wildlife Park information for Primary School Visits*, however in essence, teacher-led activities include arrival, lunch, gift shopping, and departure.

Attractions

- Madagascar Lemur play
- Amazonia Meet the Monkeys
- Tropical Butterfly House
- Bird of Prey Shows
- Reptile Handling
- The Tropical Paradise House
- Woodland Walks
- Otters splash and play
- Meerkat feeding
- Tiger feeding
- Lynx feeding

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