

VISUAL STORY OF WILDLIFE WORLD

A visual story for anyone who likes to prepare for a visit to a new place.

This visual story will tell you about:

- How to get around the attraction
- Who you might meet
- What you can touch
- The sounds, lights and smells of Wildlife World



OPENING TIMES

We are happy that you are thinking about coming to visit us at Lotherton Wildlife World. We are a zoo which has lots of different animals.

Opening times:

Winter (November – March)

Monday – Sunday 10:00am – 4:00pm

Last entry 3:15pm

Summer (March – November)

Monday – Sunday 10:00am – 5:00pm

Last entry 4:15pm

I get to **Wildlife World** by following the path from the car park.

It is only a short walk to the entrance. There are no toilets in **Wildlife World** so I must use the ones at the **Stable Courtyard** before or after visiting **Wildlife World**.





I must walk up the wooden walkway, past the warty pigs.



I will reach the gift shop which is the entrance to Wildlife World.

The gift shop is very colourful with lots of toys, books and soft toys.

It can be noisy if there are a lot of people visiting.

Check with your carer or teacher if you are allowed to touch and buy anything.



MY SENSES AT WILDLIFE WORLD

TOUCH

After the gift shop I will enter Wildlife World. There will be lots of animals to see.

I must not touch any of the animals or put my fingers through any of the fences.



MY SENSES AT WILDLIFE WORLD

TOUCH

There are some areas of Wildlife World that are only for the people who work here. There are signs to tell me that I can't go into these areas.

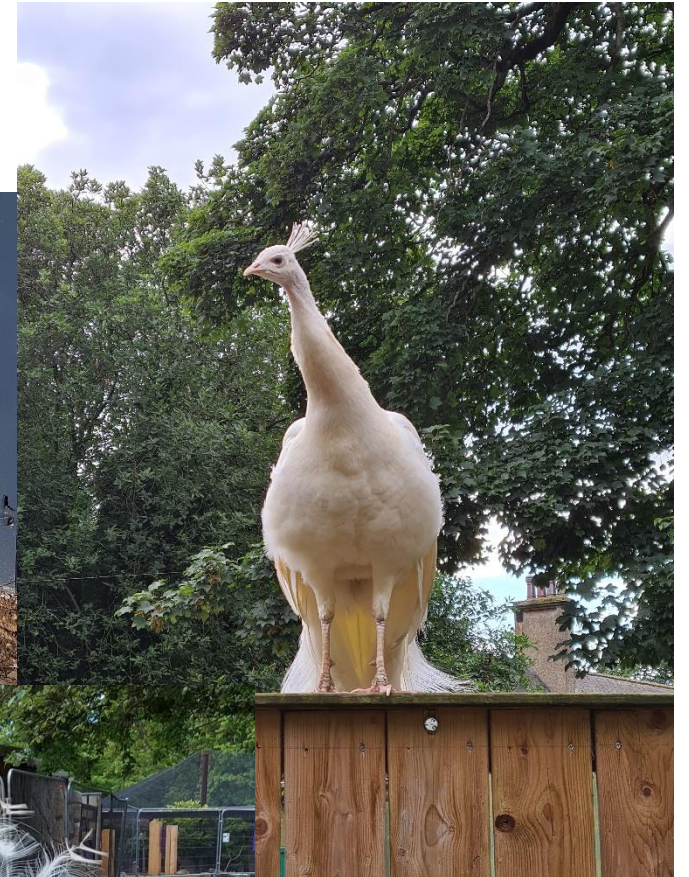


MY SENSES AT WILDLIFE WORLD

TOUCH

Most of the animals are in enclosures.

But there is one peacock, who is a bird, and he is not in an enclosure. He can go wherever he likes. He might be walking along the path next to me or on a roof. I must not touch or chase him. If I don't want to be close to him I can quietly move away.



MY SENSES AT WILDLIFE WORLD

TOUCH



If I am in a wheelchair, I will find the ground a little bit bumpy as our paths are made of gravel.

MY SENSES AT WILDLIFE WORLD

TOUCH AND NOISES

There are sinks next to the entrance where I can clean my hands. The hand dryer is a little bit noisy.



MY SENSES AT WILDLIFE WORLD

TOUCH AND NOISES



I will need to pass through the plastic curtains and doors and they may make a noise as they close behind me.



I may also hear some waterfalls and water pumps.

MY SENSES AT WILDLIFE WORLD

NOISES

Some of the animals can make loud noises.

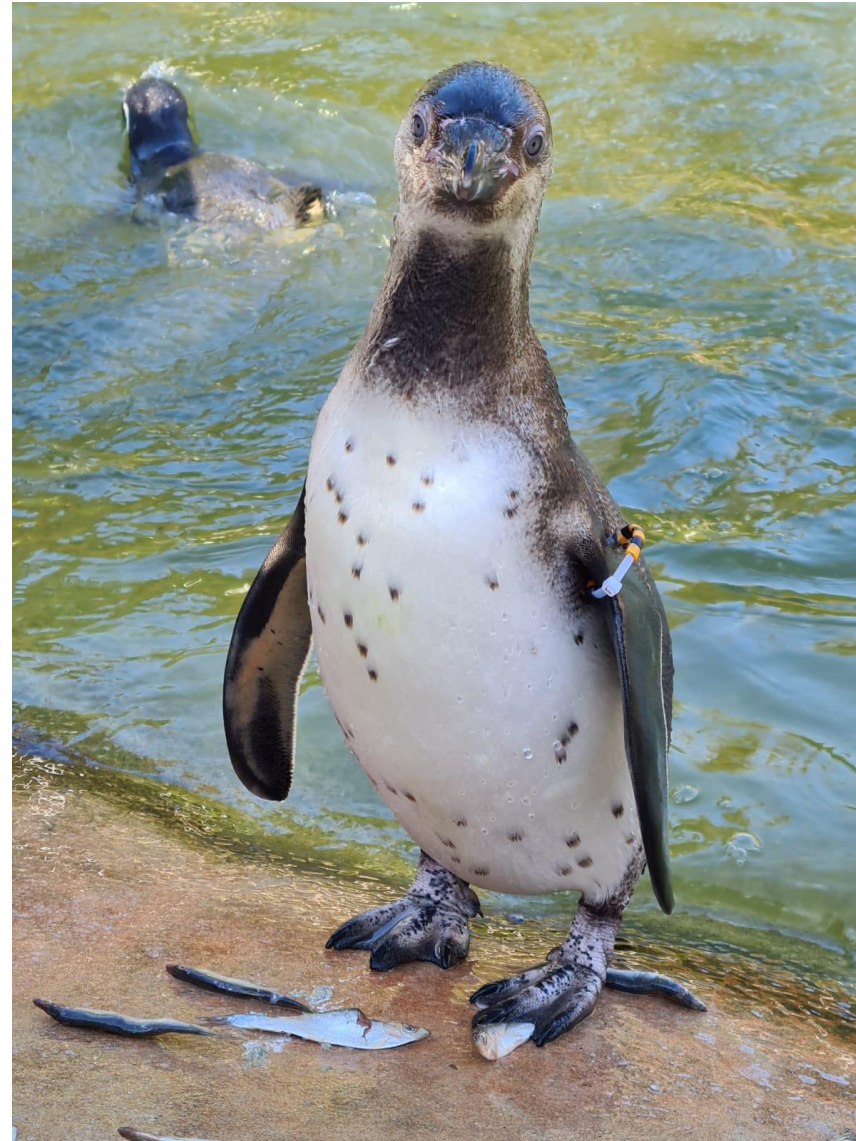
If there are other people in Wildlife World they can also sometimes be noisy.



MY SENSES AT WILDLIFE WORLD

SMELL

Some areas of the zoo can be smelly. The smelliest part is near the penguins as they eat fish. If I don't like the smell I can quietly move away.





As I walk around Wildlife World there are different zones. The first zone is the Coastal Zone.



If there are foot mats on the ground I must walk through them to clean my shoes. They will not make my feet and socks wet.



Another zone is the Forest Zone. There are some windows which I can look through. There are also lots of trees within this area.



Another zone is the
Tropical Zone.



The **Nocturnal House** is in
this zone. I must go through
the black plastic curtains if I
choose to enter.

The Nocturnal House is dark inside, but with red lights so I can still see a little bit.

I must be quiet when I am in here so I don't scare the animals.

All of the animals are behind glass so nothing will fly or crawl on me.



It's ok if I don't want to go into the **Nocturnal House**. I can follow the path along the outside instead.

There are some information signs about the animals so I can still learn about them.



If I am having a workshop with my class I will go to the **Nestbox Education Centre**.

There will be chairs and tables set out, so I must find somewhere to sit down. It is a bit like a classroom.

The staff leading the workshop will explain if there's anything I'm allowed to touch.



Once I am ready to leave Wildlife World I will exit through the **Coastal Zone** and then the **gift shop**.

There are other areas of **Lotherton** to explore. Your carer or teacher will guide you through the rest of your visit.



**THANK YOU FOR
VISITING US!**