

What to expect from your visit to:

WILD LIGHTS

at Dublin Zoo



ABOUT WILD LIGHTS



Wild Lights is an exciting event at Dublin Zoo held at nighttime!

This year's theme is 'A Journey Through Time' and visitors will have the opportunity to embark on a magical adventure across the ages, discovering the story of evolution and life on earth.

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Wild Lights is an outdoor event. Everyone should wear warm clothes as it will be cold.

Guide Assistance/Companion Dogs are not permitted into Wild Lights. These dogs are not trained to cope with the scent of animals at Dublin Zoo. While everyone is at Wild Lights, dogs will enjoy an activity of their own.

BEFORE YOUR VISIT



Before your visit to Wild Lights, we recommend that you visit our website where you can find out more about the show, facilities and tickets.

dublinczoo.ie/wildlights

GETTING TO THE ZOO



If arriving by car, you will park in the Lord's Walk car park or another of the Park's parking areas.

ARRIVING AT WILD LIGHTS



This is what the entrance to Wild Lights at Dublin Zoo looks like.

There may be a queue to get in and you may need to wait.

It's important that you only arrive at the timeslot you booked. You can bring some toys or books to look at while you wait but please note, balloons, sparklers and scooters are not allowed at Dublin Zoo.

ARRIVING AT WILD LIGHTS



You will enter into the Wild Lights at Dublin Zoo here.

A member of staff will need to scan your tickets in order for you to gain entry into Wild Lights.

EXPLORING WILD LIGHTS



When you enter Wild Lights, there will be a large lantern display featuring Charles Darwin and the tree of life.

There will also be a large map which will help you plan your route around 'A Journey Through Time'.

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Throughout the Zoo, there will also be maps like this, helping you plan your route around 'A Journey Through Time'.

Wild Lights

AT DUBLIN ZOO

A JOURNEY THROUGH TIME

- Restaurants
- Refreshment points
- Toilets
- Accessible toilets
- Changing places toilet
- Baby changing facilities
- Baby feeding room
- First aid and lost children
- Defibrillators
- Gift shops
- Picnic areas
- Water refill stations
- Smoking/vaping shelters
- Services route

Open route explore as you like

- Earth's Creation
- Early Life Stages
- Era of Dinosaurs
- Extinction of Dinosaurs
- The Age of Mammals
- Prehistoric Megafauna
- The Dawn of Agriculture
- Sacredness and Myths
- Great Civilisations
- The Empires
- Our World Now
- Dream Universe



- Calm space
- Smelly locations
- Crowded locations
- Moving lanterns
- Light projection on water feature, with chance of water spray back
- Loud noise
- Music locations



A sensory friendly map has also been created for Wild Lights. This will be emailed to all visitors and is also available online.

EXPLORING WILD LIGHTS



You will see lots of different lanterns!

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Nearly all of the animals at Dublin Zoo will be in bed with the curtains over their windows, so it is very unlikely you will see any animals.

But, if you're lucky, you might hear some noises like the lions roaring or the sea lions barking as you walk past their habitats.

EXPLORING WILD LIGHTS

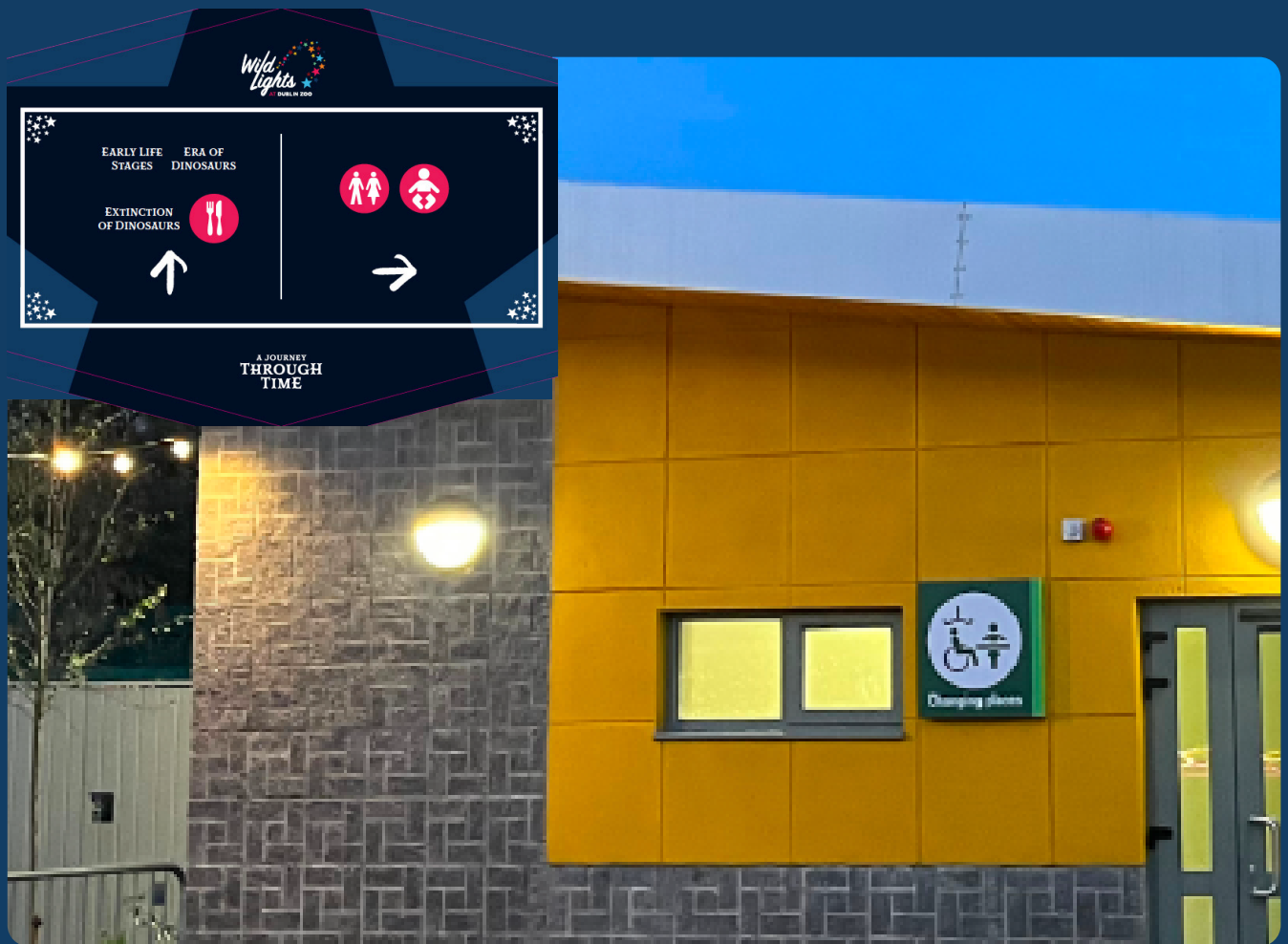


There will be music playing from speakers as you explore 'A Journey Through Time'.

There are also some lanterns that move.

If the lights or noise bother or upset you, you can let your group know and move to another area.

EXPLORING WILD LIGHTS



If you need a bathroom break, you can ask your group to look for the toilet icon on the blue signs to show the nearest toilet. You might hear some loud noises from the hand dryers.

There is also a Changing Places facility beside the Discovery and Learning Centre.

EXPLORING WILD LIGHTS



If you need a break from the event, you can ask to go to one of our zoothing rooms, which are indicated on the Wild Lights map and onsite at the Zoo by the signs above.

A zoothing room is a quiet space that can help you feel calm. These are located in the Meerkat Restaurant and Discovery & Learning Theatre.

EXPLORING WILD LIGHTS



If you get hungry, there will be lots of places for you to get some food, such as hotdogs and burgers from WUFF and snacks from the Picnic Bench or the vending machines.

EXPLORING WILD LIGHTS



There will be stalls selling toys and Christmas gifts as you explore 'A Journey Through Time'.

EXPLORING WILD LIGHTS



You will pass the playgrounds throughout the Zoo, but they will be closed.

You can visit the playgrounds the next time you visit Dublin Zoo during the day!

EXPLORING WILD LIGHTS



Before you leave, you can visit the gift shop where there are lots of different toys and gifts on sale.

You may need to wait in line to purchase any items, which may take some time.

The shop may be noisy and crowded.

LEAVING WILD LIGHTS



When it's time to leave Wild Lights, you will exit through the turnstiles.

The exit may be noisy and crowded.



Wild Lights is a great way to celebrate the holiday season!

Everyone at Dublin Zoo looks forward to seeing you there!