

NOVEMBER 2025-JANUARY 2026



PRIVATE EVENTS

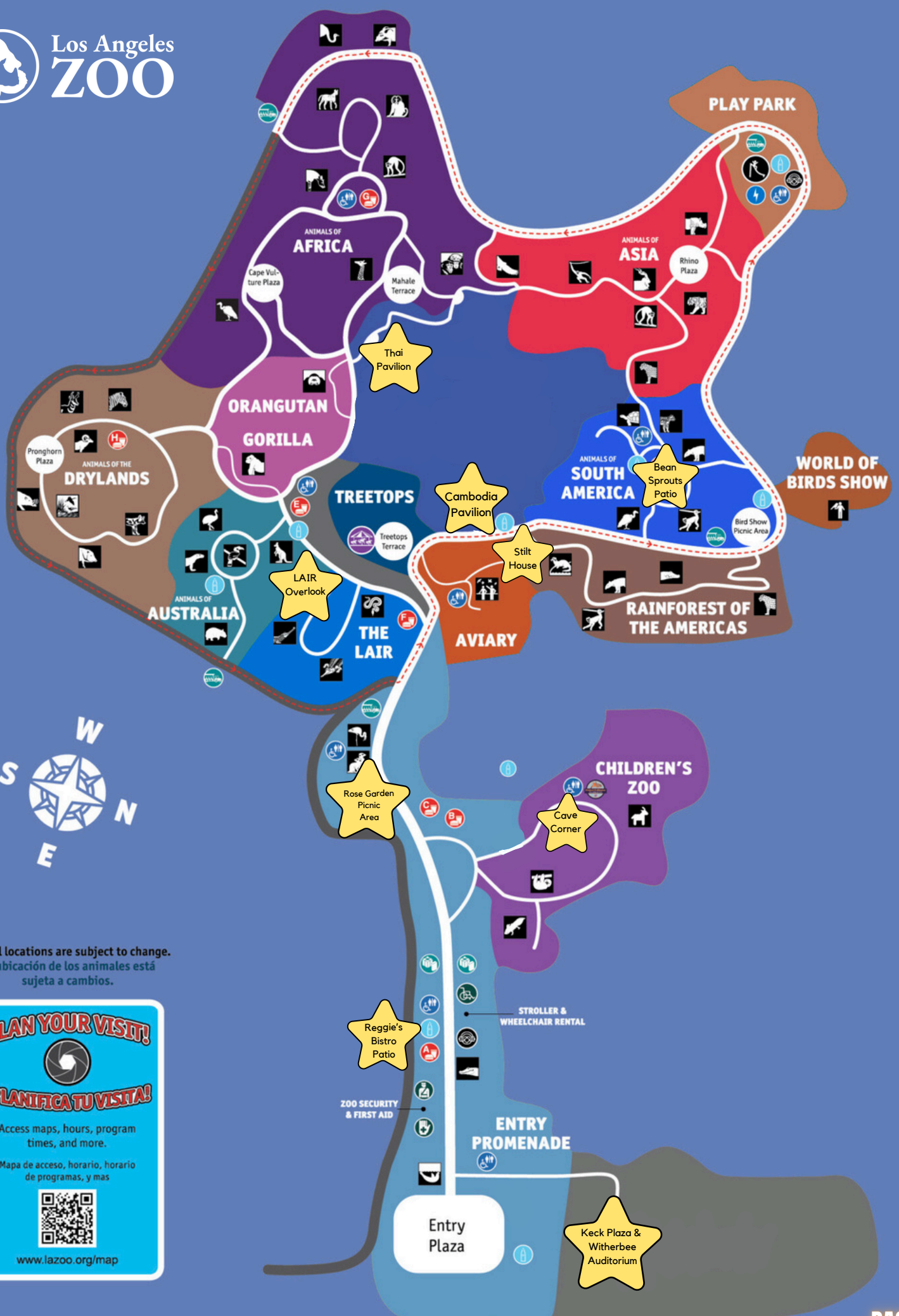


Los Angeles
ZOO



contact us!

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Animal locations are subject to change.
La ubicación de los animales está sujeta a cambios.

PLAN YOUR VISIT!



¡PLANIFICA TU VISITA!

Access maps, hours, program times, and more.

Mapa de acceso, horario, horario de programas, y mas



www.lazoo.org/map

VENUES

Pricing Includes: Private Party Venue with specific capacity by venue, complimentary parking, basic lighting, onsite event coordinator, set-up, and deliveries. Additional fees required dependent on event needs. Certain venues subject to additional fees. Zoo Lights Admission ticket required per person for all guests ages 2 and up, see page 6 for details. Catering Package Required with all Zoo Lights Venue Rentals.

Cave Corner

Availability: Half Evening (6pm-8pm or 8pm-10pm) | Full Evening (6pm-10pm)

Capacity: Evening Banquet - 30 | Evening Reception - 30

Pricing: Half Evening \$500 | Full Evening \$750

**venue fee includes in-house picnic tables, based on availability.*



LAIR Overlook

Availability: Half Evening (6pm-8pm or 8pm-10pm) | Full Evening (6pm-10pm)

Capacity: Evening Banquet - 80 | Evening Reception - 120

Pricing: Half Evening \$1,000 | Full Evening \$1,500

**venue fee includes in-house picnic tables, based on availability.*

Reggie's Bistro Patio

Availability: Half Evening (6pm-8pm or 8pm-10pm) | Full Evening (6pm-10pm)

Capacity: Evening Banquet - 50 | Evening Reception - 80

Pricing: Half Evening \$1,000 | Full Evening \$1,500

**venue fee includes in-house picnic tables, based on availability.*



Beansprouts Patio

Availability: Half Evening (6pm-8pm or 8pm-10pm) | Full Evening (6pm-10pm)

Capacity: Evening Banquet - 30 | Evening Reception - 30

Pricing: Half Evening \$500 | Full Evening \$750

**venue fee includes in-house picnic tables, based on availability.*



Cambodia Pavilion

Availability: Half Evening (6pm-8pm or 8pm-10pm) | Full Evening (6pm-10pm)

Capacity: Evening Banquet - 70 | Evening Reception - 100

Pricing: Half Evening \$1,500 | Full Evening \$2,500

**venue fee includes in-house tables and chairs for up to 70 guests, based on availability.*

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Thai Pavilion

Availability: Half Evening (6pm-8pm or 8pm-10pm) | Full Evening (6pm-10pm)

Capacity: Evening Banquet - 80 | Evening Reception - 150

Pricing: Half Evening \$1,500 | Full Evening \$2,500

**venue fee includes in-house tables and chairs for up to 80 guests, based on availability.*



Stilt House

Availability: Half Evening (6pm-8pm or 8pm-10pm) | Full Evening (6pm-10pm)

Capacity: Evening Banquet - 80 | Evening Reception - 120

Pricing: Half Evening \$1,500 | Full Evening \$2,500

**venue fee includes in-house tables and chairs for up to 80 guests, based on availability.*

Rose Garden Picnic Area

Availability: Half Evening (6pm-8pm or 8pm-10pm) | Full Evening (6pm-10pm)

Capacity: Evening Banquet - 250 | Evening Reception - 350

Pricing: Half Evening \$3,500 | Full Evening \$4,500

**venue fee includes in-house tables and chairs for up to 300 guests, based on availability.*



Keck Plaza

Availability: Half Evening (6pm-8pm or 8pm-10pm) | Full Evening (6pm-10pm)

Capacity: Evening Banquet - 250 | Evening Reception - 500

Pricing: Half Evening \$3,500 | Full Evening \$4,500

**venue fee includes in-house tables and chairs for up to 300 guests, based on availability.*

CATERING PACKAGES

Pricing includes standard black buffet linens, compostable cups, plates, and cutlery (unless specified otherwise). Prices listed are prior to service charge, event fee, and sales tax. China, silverware, and glassware can be rented for an additional fee for full evening events. Menu prices and menu items are subject to change. Please contact your sales representative for a pricing proposal.

HALF EVENING

Minimum of ONE Catering Package required with all Zoo Lights Venue Rentals.

CHURRO PACKAGE

\$10 per person

Cinnamon-Sugar Churros
Hot Chocolate
Filtered Water

VOUCHER PACKAGE

~custom pricing~

Churros, Hot Chocolate, Bar Tickets,
Meal Vouchers, and more!

*Customize vouchers for your guests
to redeem throughout Zoo Lights!*

Contact your sales manager for a quote.

WARM-UP PACKAGE

\$15 per person

Cinnamon-Sugar Churros
Peppermint Brownies
Hot Chocolate
Whipped Cream, Marshmallows
Filtered Water

DELUXE PACKAGE

\$28 per person

Choice of (2) Displayed Appetizers:
*Grilled Vegetable Display, Fresh Fruit Display,
Cheese & Charcuterie, Mexican Street Corn
Dip with house-made chips*
Warm Cinnamon-Sugar Churros
Hot Chocolate
Filtered Water

BEVERAGES & ADD-ONS

Must be added to an existing catering package.

DESSERTS

HOLIDAY SUGAR COOKIES
\$3 EACH

CINNAMON-SUGAR CHURROS
\$4 EACH

HOT APPLE COBBLER
\$4 PER PERSON
Served with Whipped Cream

PEPPERMINT BROWNIES or
CLASSIC FUDGE BROWNIES
\$4 EACH

COOKIE DECORATING KIT
\$6 PER KIT
Sugar Cookie, Vanilla Icing Packet,
Seasonal Sprinkles

BUILD YOUR OWN S'MORES BAR
\$10 PER PERSON
Graham Crackers, Marshmallows,
Hershey's Chocolate,
Fudge Sauce, Caramel Sauce

BEVERAGES

ASSORTED PEPSI SODA
PRODUCTS
\$4 EACH

HOT CHOCOLATE
\$4 PER PERSON

HOT COFFEE AND TEA
\$5 PER PERSON
Served with Cream & Sugar

BOBA TEA STATION
\$5 PER PERSON
Choose (1) Flavor: Thai Iced Tea,
Mango Passionfruit, or Tiger Milk

ADDITIONAL BAR SERVICES

CREDIT CARD BAR
\$500 required set-up fee per bar
ask sales rep for drink pricing

DRINK TICKETS
\$500 set-up fee per bar

ADDITIONAL BARTENDER - \$250 EACH

ADDITIONAL BAR SET-UP - \$500 EACH

HOSTED BAR PACKAGES

PREMIUM HOSTED BAR
*Includes Premium Liquor Brands, Wine,
Assorted Craft & Domestic Beer*
TWO HOURS - \$28 PER PERSON
THREE HOURS - \$35 PER PERSON

STANDARD HOSTED BAR
*Includes Standard Liquor Brands, Wine,
Assorted Craft & Domestic Beer*
TWO HOURS - \$24 PER PERSON
THREE HOURS - \$30 PER PERSON

WINE, BEER, & CANNED COCKTAILS
*Includes Standard Canned Cocktails, Wine,
Assorted Craft & Domestic Beer*
TWO HOURS - \$19 PER PERSON
THREE HOURS - \$25 PER PERSON

SIGNATURE COCKTAILS
requires purchase of hosted bar service
TE DE CANELA - \$5 PER PERSON
Cinnamon Tea & Tequila
CANDY CANE COCKTAIL - \$5 PER PERSON
Cranberry & Peppermint Schnapps
CHAI TIKITINI - \$5 PER PERSON
Chai Tea, Holiday Tiki Rum

CATERING PACKAGES

Packages include compostable disposable plates, napkins, cups, and cutlery (unless specified otherwise).

China, silverware, and glassware can be rented for an additional fee for full evening events.

Menu prices and menu items are subject to change. Please contact your sales representative for a pricing proposal.

FULL EVENING

Minimum of ONE Catering Package required with all Zoo Lights Venue Rentals.

Zoo Lights Dinner Buffet \$65 per person

includes: Dinner Rolls with Whipped Honey Garlic Butter

Choice of (1) Starter, (2) Entrées, & (2) Sides

Holiday Cookies for Dessert

STARTERS

(select one):

BUTTERNUT SQUASH SOUP

Pepita Gremolata (Vegan, GF)

ITALIAN WEDDING SOUP

Meatballs, Chicken, Spinach,
Rice, & Chicken Broth

HOLIDAY SALAD

Roasted Apple, Fennel,
Pomegranate, Candied Pecan,
Cider Vinaigrette (Vegetarian, GF)

GARDEN SALAD

Spring Mix, Cucumber, Carrot,
Tomatoes, Carrots, and Red
Onion with Balsamic Vinaigrette
(Vegan, GF)

BUTTERNUT SQUASH SALAD

Pickled Red Onion, Goat Cheese,
Pistachio, Maple Vinaigrette
(Vegetarian, GF)

ENTRÉES

(select two):

PAN SEARED SALMON

with Lemon Herb Beurre Blanc

LEMON HERB CHICKEN

with Pan Drippings

SHORT RIB

with Fried Onion, Red Wine Demi

VEGAN SAUSAGE PASTA

Penne with Vegan Sausage,
Kale, Roasted Tomato,
Butternut Squash, and Mushroom
(Vegan)

PREMIUM ENTRÉE UPGRADE

CARVED PRIME RIB OF BEEF - MARKET PRICE
with Horseradish Creme &
Au Jus

SIDES

(select two):

GREEN BEANS

with Almond and Citrus
Vinaigrette (Vegetarian, GF)

ROASTED WINTER VEGETABLE MEDLEY

Maple Gastrique (Vegan, GF)

HERB ROASTED POTATOES (Vegan, GF)

ROASTED SPICED CARROTS with Honey Glaze (Vegetarian, GF)

GARLIC MASHED POTATOES (Vegetarian, GF)

CRISPY BRUSSELS SPROUTS & BUTTERNUT SQUASH MEDLEY with Lardon

Add an additional entrée selection for \$8/per person

Add an additional starter or side for \$4/per person

Kids' Meals and Vendor Meals Available

*FULL Evening Rentals may order from HALF and FULL Catering Menus.

*HALF Evening Rentals cannot order the FULL Dinner Buffet, due to limited time in Venue.

Please contact sales representative with any questions.

TICKETS

ONE Zoo Lights Ticket required per person (ages 2 and up).
Private Events Special Ticket Rate valid with Venue Rental and
Catering Package Purchase.

\$20 per person (valid only on night of private event).
Please contact sales manager for quote.

ADD-ONS

Linens.....\$20 each

Will Call Ticket Service.....\$75 per event
(2 hours, staffed ticket entrance)

Heaters.....\$75 each

Carousel Tickets.....\$3 per ride

Caricature Artist.....\$300 per artist
(1 hour, 10-12 drawings per hour)

Face Painter.....\$300 per artist
(1 hour, 10-12 drawings per hour)

Education Station.....\$225 per station
(2 hours, contact for station choices)

Scavenger Hunt.....\$5 per person/\$15 with prize

Photo Booth.....\$950
(3 hours)

DJ.....\$1200+
(contact for quote)

Tall Cocktail Table.....\$34 each
(Linen included)

Speaker and Microphone.....\$200*
*subject to availability

AV Package #1.....\$2,000
(9' screen/projector/mac laptop/speaker/audio mixer/wireless mic/tech setup//teardown)

AV Package #2.....\$3,500
(16' hung screen/projector on a truss/mac laptop/speaker/audio mixer/wireless mic/tech setup//teardown)

FAQS

Can we bring in our own caterer?

No, The Los Angeles Zoo has an exclusive on-site event caterer who is contracted for all food & beverage services provided on the property, which ensures maximum efficiency as the layout and logistics of our venue are quite unique. We offer a full range of food and beverage options on our menu, and are happy to work with you to create a custom menu that fits your taste and budget.

Is there a Food & Beverage minimum?

For select venue rentals, we require a minimum spend on food & beverage, which excludes service charges, events fees, and tax. This amount is dependent on the facility rented. We also offer Boxed Lunches and Meal Vouchers, not subject to a minimum spend.

Can we have alcohol?

Yes, alcohol is permitted for events held at the Los Angeles Zoo. However, all beverage services will be purchased through and sold by our on-site event caterer, as they hold the liquor license.

May I bring my own food or take home unconsumed Food & Beverage after my event?

We do not allow any food or beverage to be brought onto the property without prior written approval from our on-site catering team. We also do not allow any food or beverage, including alcohol, to be removed from the premises by the event host, their guests, vendors, or agents due to health and safety codes and/or other restrictions.

Is there a security charge?

The Los Angeles Zoo will staff security personnel to monitor the Zoo's entry points for all evening events. If additional security is required at the event for whatever reason, additional fees may apply. You will be notified of our security requirements and fees at the time of booking.

Where do my guests park?

The Los Angeles Zoo has more than 1,400 FREE parking spaces available just outside the main entrance of the Zoo, located within Griffith Park.

FAQS

Do I need to purchase admission tickets?

Yes, admission tickets are required for purchase when renting a private event venue for all Zoo Lights events, for any guest over age 2. Tickets are at the private event rate of **\$20 per person**. Contact your sales representative for a quote.

What time can my event start and end?

If hosting a HALF evening event during Zoo Lights operating hours, venue spaces are available for rentals (6:00pm-8:00pm).

If hosting a FULL evening event during Zoo Lights operating hours, venue spaces are available for rentals (6:00pm-10:00pm) and can be extended to 11:00pm for an additional fee.

What does my Facility Rental include?

We make hosting an event easy! Your rental facility includes in-house tables, chairs, set up, and clean-up (In-house supplies are limited, so book your event early to secure tables and chairs without needing to pay an additional rental fee). Any requests for furniture or quantities exceeding what we already own may require an additional rental fee. For all inclusions, please ask your event sales representative.

What parts of the Zoo can we see during our event?

Events held during operating hours will have access to their reserved space, and to the L.A. Zoo's exhibits if open. Additional venues and exhibits can be added for an additional fee.

How can I confirm my event?

To confirm your event, we require 1.) a signed event agreement, and 2.) a deposit which totals 50% of your Facility Rental plus 25% of all additional event charges. When we receive both requirements, your event will be secured in our event calendar. Until both requirements are received, we reserve the right to accept other offers for the date and space(s) you are considering for your event. Please ask about our deposit schedule if booking 90 days or less from your event date.

FAQS

When can we set up or decorate our event?

You may decorate with any 'personal touches' during The LA Zoo's scheduled set up window. Please discuss options with your event sales representative at the time of booking. Because the Los Angeles Zoo is a unique venue, we encourage you to take advantage of the décor that is already in place. Most clients have found that keeping decorations to table-top centerpieces adds a nice touch to the event and is just enough décor. The design of all décor items, including but not limited to, flower arrangements, must be reviewed and pre-approved by your event sales representative in advance of the Event. L.A. Zoo policy forbids the following activities on the L.A. Zoo premises: smoking in any area; pets or other outside animals (special arrangements are available for working service animals); use of any candles or other open flames; firearms, facsimiles, or weapons of any kind; use of balloons, drinking straws, electric toys, streamers, glass bottles, whistles, balls, Frisbees, glitter, string-a-can or silly string, piñatas, sparkles, stickers or confetti.

Do you have audio/visual equipment onsite that we can use?

The LA Zoo has limited audio/visual equipment for rent depending on venue space. We also partner with preferred vendors for all of your AV equipment needs if our onsite venues do not provide what you will need. Please reach out to your sales representative to collect additional information.

What type of entertainment/ outside vendor(s) does the Zoo allow?

Bands and DJs are permitted with their acceptance of our vendor terms and the Zoo's protocols. A certificate of insurance naming Los Angeles Zoo, the City of Los Angeles and SSA Group, LLC. as additional insured will also be required. You will be provided with a copy of our vendor agreement and insurance requirements when booking. You are recommended to only hire a third-party vendor after confirming they accept our terms and conditions and receiving written approval from us that the vendor is approved. Third-party vendors will be denied access if they are not approved in advance. Special effects equipment, including but not limited to smoke machines, haze machines, laser shows, or fireworks, are not permitted. All event vendor load in, set-up and breakdown must take place outside of Zoo operating hours. Please contact your sales representative for more information.

FAQs

Is there anything else I should know?

As a condition of hosting your event with us, it is essential that you understand that our animal exhibits are a living collection. Animals may or may not be viewable at any given time due to changes in animal collection, weather and season, actions to promote the health and well-being of the animals, and the animals' choices.

When you book your event at the LA Zoo, you are supporting the LA Zoo's conservation efforts in saving wildlife, enriching our communities, and creating connections to nature. The LA Zoo's vision, to create a just and sustainable world where people and wildlife thrive together, wouldn't be possible without people like you. By hosting your event at the Los Angeles Zoo, you are helping us take one step closer to a more sustainable future.

Whether you're looking for something wild, exotic, or in between, our talented team will help you plan the perfect event. We strive to offer each client an enjoyable and stress-free planning process. Our attention to detail, creativity, and passion for developing extraordinary events set us apart, and ensure that you will have a gratifying experience leading to a unique and memorable gathering. Contact our sales team today @ events@zoo.lacity.org

