

I'm going to L.A. Zoo Lights: Animals Aglow today!



Tonight I will visit L.A. Zoo Lights: Animals Aglow. This is a special event held after regular hours at the Los Angeles Zoo & Botanical Gardens.

Before I visit



We strongly recommend purchasing date-specific general admission tickets online before visiting. Once I have completed my reservation, the tickets will be sent to the email address I provide. When I get to the Zoo I will have my ticket scanned from my mobile device or from a printout I bring with me to the entrance.

Sensory-Inclusive Zoo Lights



November 30th is a special night designed for guests that thrive in a sensory-supportive environment. That evening, there are smaller crowds and the music volume is quieter. I can also check out a Sensory Bag.

Where to get a Sensory Bag



I can borrow a Sensory Bags at the Stroller Rental & Return Kiosk which is just past the Entry Plaza stairs and across from Reggie's Bistro.

What's in a Sensory Bag?



There are items in the sensory bag that will help me feel calm. I can use the headphones and the fidget tools in my sensory bag to help me stay calm and enjoy the Zoo with my group or family.

Maps help me find my way



There are special maps for L.A. Zoo Lights: Animals Aglow. The map shows where I can use the restroom, get food or souvenirs, and the path to see the lanterns. I can print a map at home from the Zoo website or I can use a QR code at the Zoo to have a map on my phone.



Lantern sculptures



I will see many light-up animal lanterns as I walk through a big part of the Zoo. Some of the lanterns move or change color.



Photo opportunities



There are many places where I can take a selfie or a photo with my group. I may have to wait my turn to take a photo.

Interactive Spots



Some of the lanterns or lights can be touched or played with. I may need to wait my turn to get a closer look.

Animals are sleeping



Since L.A. Zoo Lights is a special evening event, there are no live animals on view. They will be in their night quarters.

Quiet Room



If I need a break I can visit the Quiet Room at the front of the Zoo. It's also a Nursing Room so I may need to wait my turn.

If I need a break



If any of the lights or noise bother or upset me, I can let my group know and we can leave the area. On the Sensory-Inclusive Zoo Lights evening (November 30th) my group can exit and re-enter the Zoo if I need a longer break.

Getting food



If I get hungry or thirsty I can buy something to eat or drink at places in the Zoo. I can warm up with hot cocoa or other tasty treats available for purchase at stands throughout the Zoo.

Tom Mankiewicz Conservation Carousel



I can purchase tickets to ride the Tom Mankiewicz Conservation Carousel. There are seats that go up-and-down, seats that are still, and seats for people who use a wheelchair. It also plays music, so I may want to use my headphones. The Carousel is open from 6:30–9:15 p.m.



Gift Shop



If I would like, I can buy a gift or glowing souvenir at the International Marketplace.

Thank you!



I had a great night at L.A. Zoo Lights: Animals Aglow. Knowing what to expect made it fun and easy.