

WILD LIGHTS SENSORY FRIENDLY NIGHT







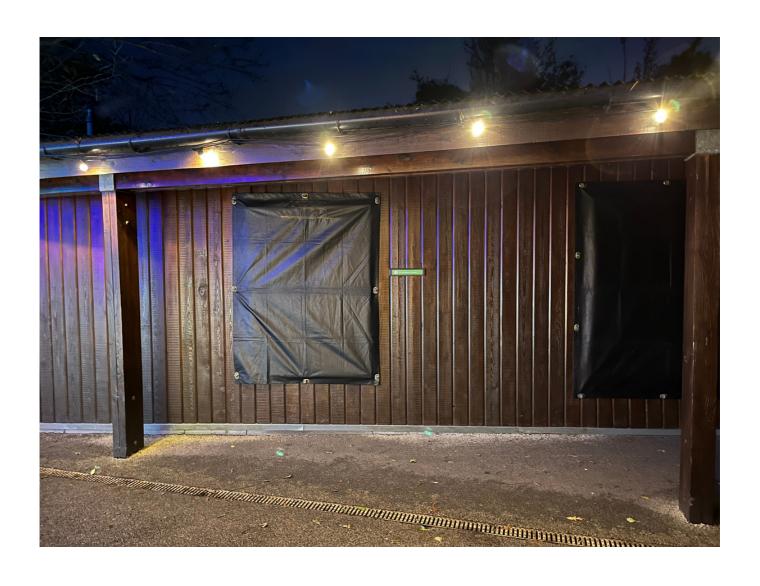
Wild Lights is an exciting event at Dublin Zoo held at night time!

You will see thousands of light sculptures called lanterns in the shape of animals, trees and bugs.



Wild Lights is an outdoor event.

Everyone needs to wear warm clothes as it will be cold!



The majority of the animals at Dublin Zoo will be in bed and will have some curtains over their windows, so you will not see any animals.

But, you may get lucky and hear some noises like the lions roaring or the sea lions barking as you walk past their habitats.



Everyone who drove their car will park in the Lord's Walk car park once they arrive.

If this car park is full you may need to park in a different car park.



There will be big lights along the path from the car park to the entrance to the Zoo.

These may be a little noisy.



Once you get to the entrance of Dublin Zoo, there may be a queue to get in and you may need to wait.

You can bring some toys or books to look at while you wait.

Balloons and sparklers are not allowed in Dublin Zoo



When you get to the top of the queue, the friendly staff in red coats will scan your tickets.

Now its time to go in!



There will be a lot to look at.

Everyone should remember not to touch the lights or lanterns.



There will be music playing from these green speakers.

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



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.

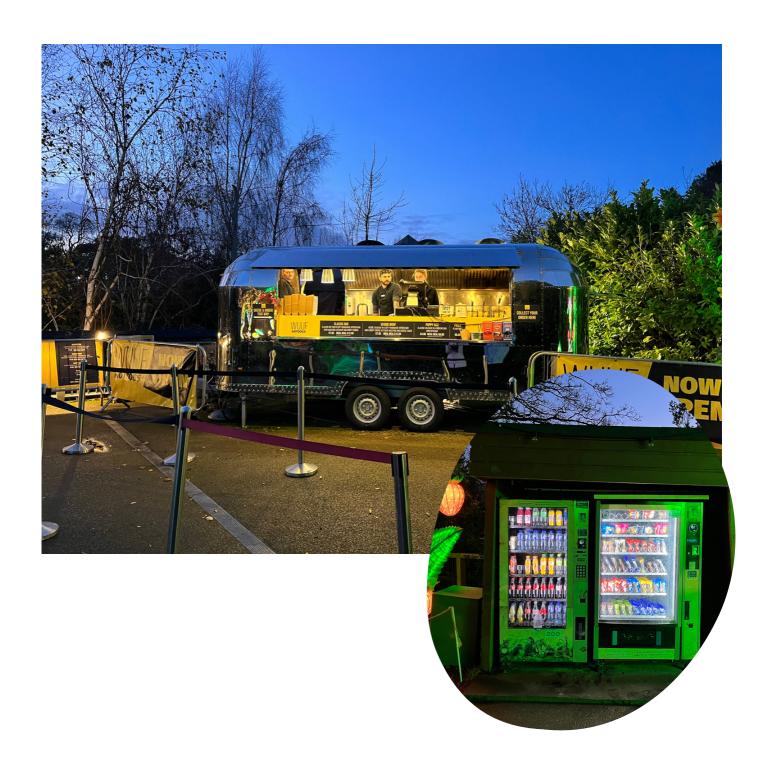
You might hear some loud noises from the hand dryers.

There is also a Changing Places facility located behind the bee hive.



If you need a break from the event, you can ask to go to one of our zoothing rooms.

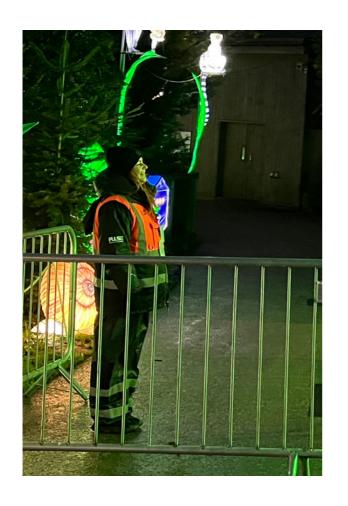
A zoothing room is a quiet space that can help you feel calm. These are located in the Farm House or the Meerkat Cafe.



If you get hungry, you can get some food from the hot dog stand WUFF, chicken from the Chicken Hut, crepes from Cove or snacks from the Picnic Bench or the vending machines.



There will be stalls selling toys and Christmas decorations along the way.





The Wild Lights safety team wear bright orange jackets.

If you need to take a rest during the event and you're not near a zoothing area, you can ask them if they can let you step behind the barriers away from the people to help you feel better.





The Wild Lights safety team will have walkietalkies on them so they can talk to other members of their team.

These may make loud noises from time to time.



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

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

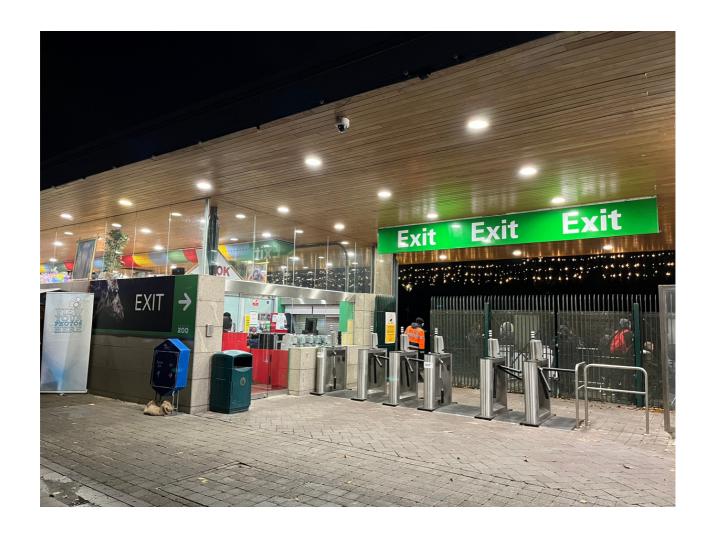


Before you leave you can visit the gift shop.

There are lots of different toys and gifts on sale there.

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

The shop may be noisy and crowded.



When it is 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!