

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 'The Wild Kaleidoscope'
and visitors will have the opportunity to experience
the animal kingdom's most magical colours!

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

Guide / assistance dogs are not permitted into Wild Lights. While everyone is at Wild Lights, guide / assistance dogs will be kept in a comfortable space and provided with fresh drinking water.

BEFORE YOUR VISIT



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

dublinczoo.ie/wildlights

GETTING TO THE ZOO



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

Dublin Zoo has no car park of it's own but there are plenty of areas to park inside the Phoenix Park.

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 of your favourite items to help pass the time 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. If you have a carer with you, they may be asked to show their carer ID before entering.

EXPLORING WILD LIGHTS



When you enter Wild Lights, there will be lantern displays and a projection showing an arch with 'The Wild Kaleidoscope'. You may like to get photos here!

There will also be a large map which will help you plan your route around 'The Wild Kaleidoscope'.

EXPLORING WILD LIGHTS



Throughout the Zoo, there will also be maps and directional signs like this, helping you plan your route around 'The Wild Kaleidoscope'.

Wild Lights

AT DUBLIN ZOO

THE WILD KALEIDOSCOPE

- Restaurants
- Refreshment points
- Toilets
- Accessible toilets
- Changing places toilets
- 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

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|-----------------------------|---------------|
| Red | Loud noise |
| Orange | Crowds |
| Yellow | Strong smells |
| Green | Steep surface |
| Blue | Stairs |
| Tropical Undersea | Calm space |
| Astral Undersea | |
| Purple | |
| Pink | |
| Zoorassic Reimagined | |
| Black and White | |
| Rainbow | |
| White | |



*Santa's Grotto is a ticketed event and pre-booking is required.

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 'The Wild Kaleidoscope'.

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 are visiting during our sensory-friendly evening on December 1st, you can ask to go to our zoothing room, which is highlighted on the Wild Lights map and on physical signage (which look like the above) at the Zoo.

A zoothing room is a quiet space that can help you feel calm. This is located at the Meerkat Restaurant and the Discovery & Learning Centre.



EXPLORING WILD LIGHTS



If you get hungry, there will be lots of places for you to get some food at our Winter Glow Village.

Enjoy a hot chocolate, steaming mulled wine, fluffy waffles, golden crêpes and more under a glowing canopy of enchanting lanterns.

EXPLORING WILD LIGHTS



There will be stalls selling toys and Christmas gifts as you explore 'The Wild Kaleidoscope'.

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!

