

Program details

Badge programs are 2.5 hours in length and are offered on Saturdays OR Sundays, either MORNING (9:30 am to 12:00 pm) OR AFTERNOON (1:00 pm to 3:30 pm) from October to May.

Programs are held on the Zoo site and take place rain or shine. Each program features exciting activities, special tours, and biofacts to complete specific badge requirements. As all sessions involve some walking, comfortable shoes and appropriate clothing for weather is essential. Groups may bring their own lunch or may use the restaurants on site - Peacock Café, Caribou Cafe, and Africa Restaurant.

PROGRAM FEES

(This price includes admission to the Zoo)

• **\$16 per youth** • **\$8 per adult**

* NOTE: A minimum payment of \$192 (12 youths) is required to book a program. Payment for leaders, supervisors, and chaperones will be in addition to this amount. A maximum number of 30 youths plus leaders or supervisors can be accommodated per program. Additional children accompanying the group (e.g. siblings, family members) will be charged regular admission rates and are not included in the minimum payment. (Prices subject to change).

PAYMENT FOR ZOO MEMBERS

Leaders, supervisors, and chaperones who are Zoo members may accompany their group free of charge for day programs. If the minimum youth payment of \$192 is met any additional youth who are members may pay only the program fee of \$9. (Proof of membership required).

HOW TO REGISTER

Please register at torontozoo.com (Education & Camps). A non-refundable deposit of \$50 is required at the time of booking.

We accept MasterCard, VISA, American Express.

The balance of your fee (less the \$50 deposit) is payable upon arrival on the day of your visit.

For more information please call 416-392-5947,
e-mail to: programs@torontozoo.ca,
or visit our website torontozoo.com

Camping at the Toronto Zoo

Leaders, are you looking for a location for your group to have an overnight experience?

The Toronto Zoo offers two safe and exciting overnight programs to choose from for groups of all ages.

Serengeti Bush Camp is an outdoor overnight program complete with campfire and tents. This program is open mid-May until the end of August.

BUSH CAMP FEES

\$79 per participant (taxes included)

To register for a date, a non-refundable **\$200 deposit** is required at the time of booking. The balance of your fee (less the \$200 deposit) is payable upon arrival at Bush Camp.

Toronto Zoo Pyjama Party is an indoor overnight program including guided tours of portions of the Zoo. This program is open weekends during the fall and spring.

PYJAMA PARTY FEES

\$65 per participant (non-member, taxes included)

\$55 per participant (member, taxes included)

To register for a date, a non-refundable **\$200 deposit** is required at the time of booking. The balance of your fee (less the \$200 deposit) is payable upon confirmation of final participant numbers in advance of the program.

To register for all Badge Programs, please visit torontozoo.com and navigate to the Education & Camps page. We accept MasterCard, VISA, and American Express.



Programs **DESIGNED** for
SPARKS
BROWNIES
GUIDES
CUBS
SCOUTS



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GUIDES

Water

Many plants and animals spend all or part of their lives in water. Take the plunge to learn more about where water comes from, how it can become polluted and ways that you can help to improve water quality and aquatic habitats for wildlife.

Bird Watching

Brush up on your "observation" skills as we attempt to identify different species of native birds and learn some interesting facts about them. Discover more about specific characteristics that all birds share, how adults take care of their young, and which birds migrate for the winter.

Ecology

What happens when natural habitat is turned into a subdivision of homes? Why are some animals considered pests & how can they be controlled? All creatures play an important role in the complex web of life. Discover more about the connections in nature as we take a closer look at the relationships between living things and their physical surroundings

Naturalist

Step into the great outdoors to learn how to enhance your knowledge and appreciation of the world of nature in every season. Learn how to identify plants, mammals, birds, invertebrates, their diets, and varying methods of reproduction. From one season to another you'll learn to recognize natural changes that take place and the special adaptations animals have developed in order to survive.

Plants and Animals

The Zoo is the perfect setting to enhance your knowledge of plant and animal science. Learn more about: how plants grow and what they need to survive, similarities and differences between various animals, why certain animals look the way they do, and how naturalists use patterns, behaviours, or calls to identify individual animals.

Conservation

Step into the outdoors to learn more about our natural resources and why it's important to protect them. Discover what's happening to help preserve the environment and what you can do to become a conservationist.

Endangered Species

Polish up your magnifying glass and take a look at some of the world's vanishing species. Discover why many plants and animals are becoming endangered, the importance of habitat protection, and ways that zoos and other organizations around the world are trying to help.



BROWNIES

Wondrous Walks

Step into the outdoors and use your senses to see, hear, smell, and touch your way through nature. Together we'll discover what kinds of plants and animals share our backyard and the places they seek for shelter.

Saving Our Plants and Animals

Learn the ways that wildlife becomes endangered. You will find out how the Toronto Zoo and other zoos work to conserve and protect plants and animals, why it is important to protect them, and what you can do to help.

Water, Water Everywhere

Where do we get our water and how can we keep it clean and safe? Take the plunge and discover how a wetland, conservation area, or body of water helps provide water for your community and investigate the plants and animals that rely on these watery habitats for survival.



SPARKS

Going Camping

Camping is a great way to learn about plants and animals in their natural habitats. Join us around our campfire for a closer look at camping from the Zoo to all over the world. Girls will learn some 'zooper' camp songs and chants, tell a camping story, and play lots of camping games and activities along the way. *Please note that program does not include a sleepover or a camp snack. Girls should also have their 'be prepared kits' in advance for their hike.

Going Outside

Head outside with us to take a closer look at some of the natural areas at the Zoo and the amazing plants and animals you can find here. Learn outdoor games and activities and get new ideas about what you can do to enjoy the outdoors all year round. *Please note: this program will not fulfill the "Picnic" requirement of the badge, but you are welcome to have a picnic at the Zoo during your stay.



SCOUTS

World Scout Environment Award

Explore the natural world through a variety of activities. Learn how to identify individual components within our local ecosystem and how they relate (to the creatures found there). Learn more about your niche in the community and determine methods that you can use to try to help protect the local environments.



CUBS

Naturalist

Take a closer look into the natural world where both plants and animals rely on their senses and special defenses for survival in the wild. Learn more about the types of strategies predators use for catching their prey, how different forms of camouflage help to protect prey from predators, and special adaptations that plants and animals have developed for protection from seasonal changes and other forces of nature.

Observer

Learn how to become a good observer and use your keen sense of sight to recognize a variety of wildlife. Through activities and a tour of the Zoo, learn how to recognize the difference between a carnivore and a herbivore, ways in which birds have adapted to what they eat, how to distinguish different animal tracks, insects, trees, and much more.

World Conservation

Join us at the Zoo for closer look at different habitats from around the world and the kinds of wildlife that call these places home. Explore the connections between plants, animals, and their environment (land, air, water). Discover what it means to be an endangered species, threats to wildlife survival, and how projects at the Zoo and YOU can help.

The Toronto Zoo Also Welcomes All Beavers

Join us for a themed guided tour to learn more about wildlife around the world.

For more information
e-mail programs@torontozoo.ca