

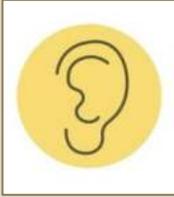


Let's visit

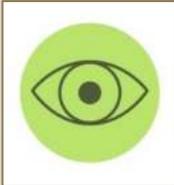


BREVARD ZOO

Sensory Key



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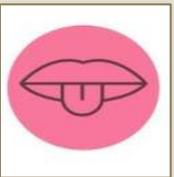
I will see a lot of things at the zoo. Some places might be bright where I see this. I can wear sunglasses or cover my eyes if it is too bright.



I will experience some smells at the zoo. Some of the smells may be unpleasant where I see this. I can cover my nose if I do not like the smell.



I may be able touch things at the zoo. There might be things I may not want to touch when I see this. I do not have to touch anything if I do not want to.



I may be able to taste things at the zoo when I see this. I do not have to put anything in my mouth if I do not want to.



When I visit
Brevard Zoo, I
will enter
through the
main gate.



At Brevard Zoo,
there are many
animals to see.



Sometimes the animals might not be visible, but that is okay. I know I can come back to see them another time.

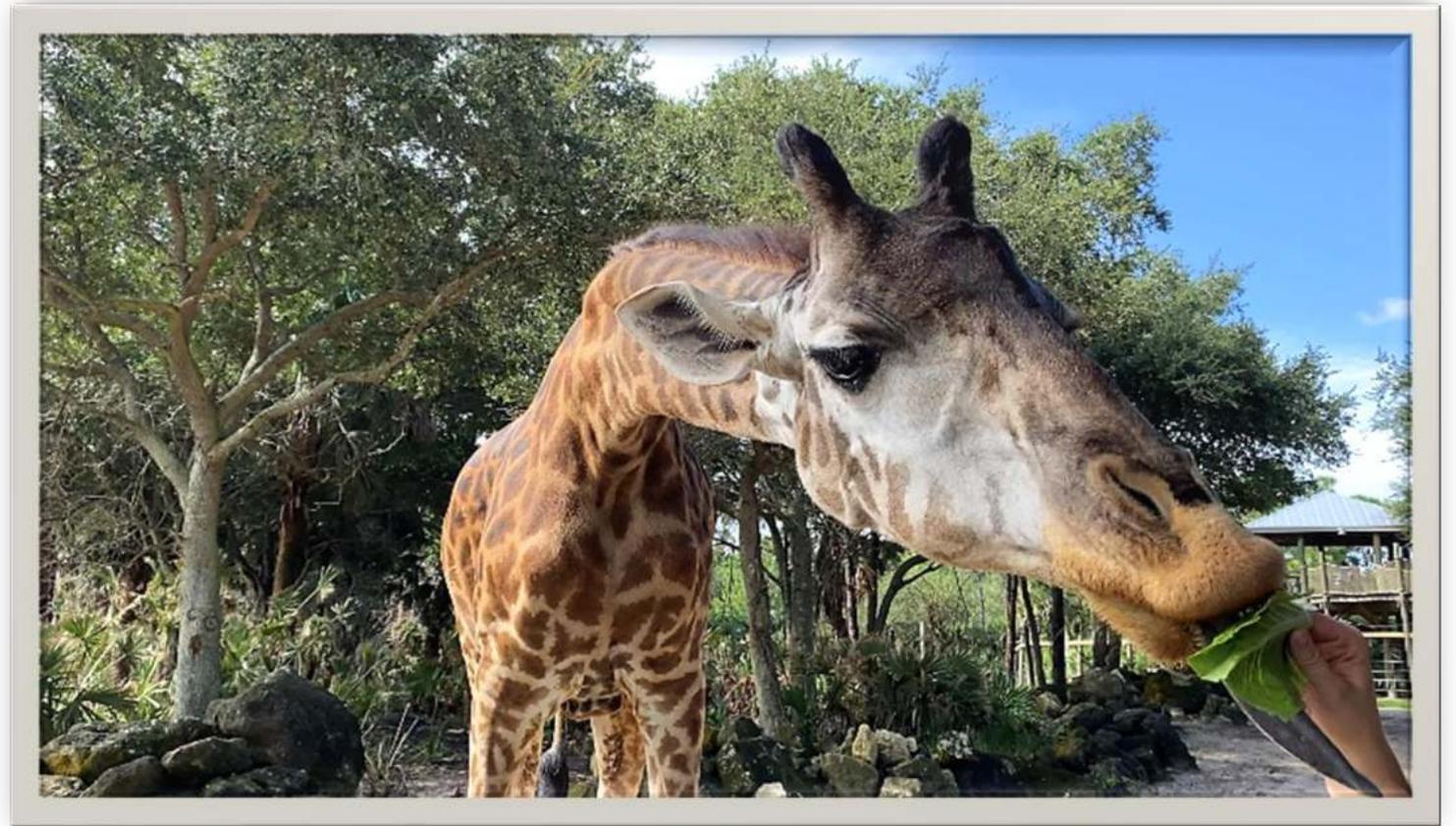


While I am at the zoo, I will walk along the path with my group. I will listen and follow directions. Some areas may have a lot of people. I will wait my turn to see the animals.



The zoo has
four loops.

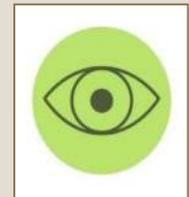
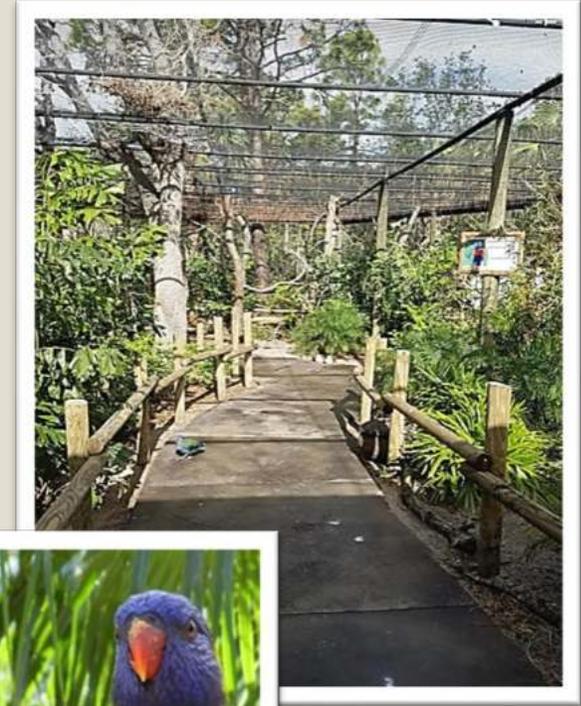
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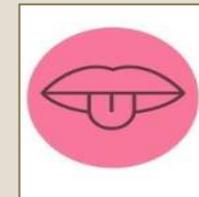
I may have the opportunity to feed the giraffes.

Lands of Change is another loop. I can feed the birds inside the aviary.

Volunteers will show me how to hold the food if I want to feed the birds.



Nourish 321 is where I can eat food. There are bathrooms I can use. I will not feed the birds and squirrels here.



This is where I
will wait to ride
the train.

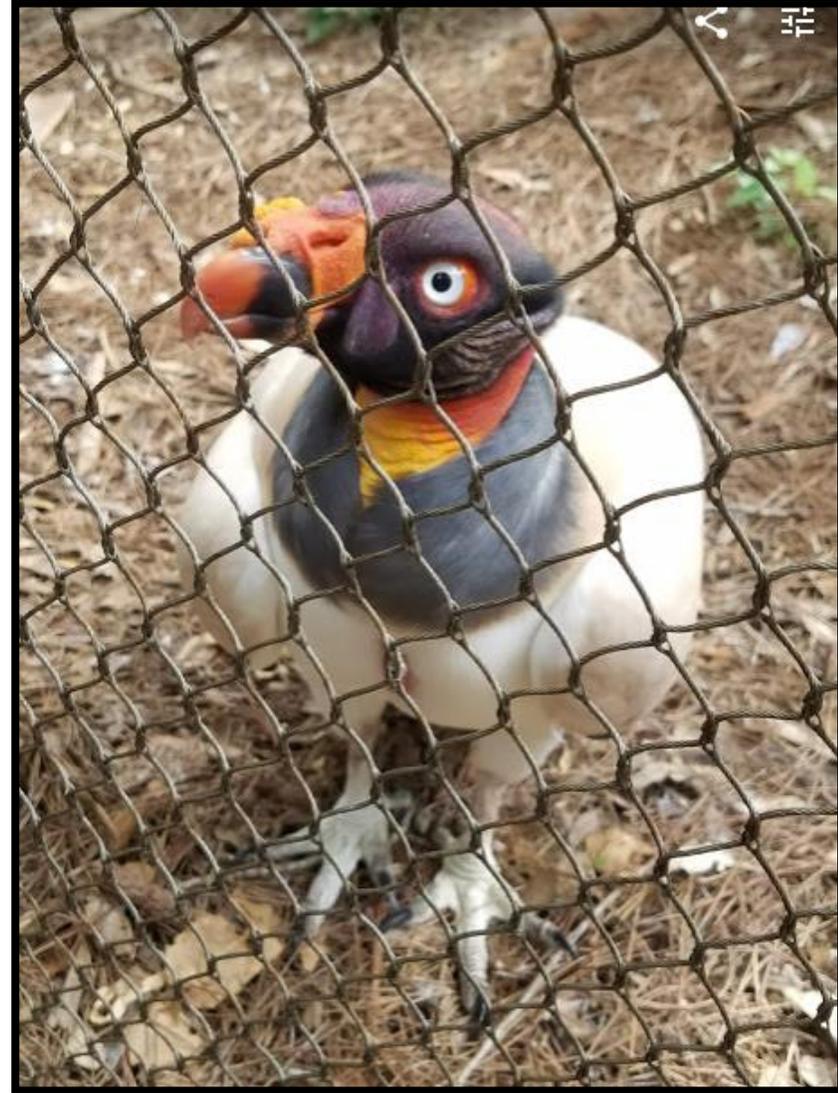


Wild Florida loop is in the back of the zoo. Some of the animal habitats might have unpleasant smells.



Rainforest
Revealed is
another loop.

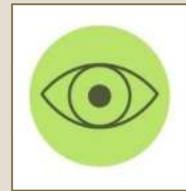
I can get close to
some of the
animal habitats.
I will remember to
keep my hands
and fingers away
from the mesh
and fencing.



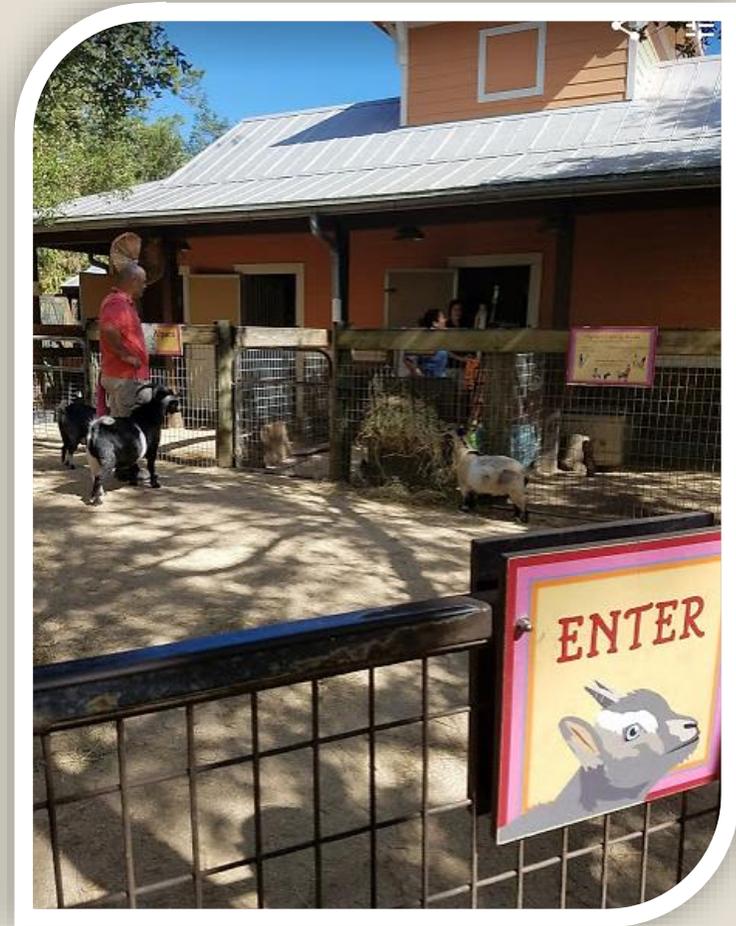
The Caribbean Loop has a scavenger hunt where I can look for treasures from the clues on the chests.



I can visit Paws On. I will remember to walk in this area because it can be slippery. There are bathrooms I can use.

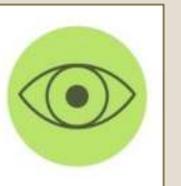


I can visit the Barnyard. I can touch the animals who come up to me on the path. I will wash my hands when I finish petting the animals.

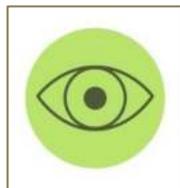
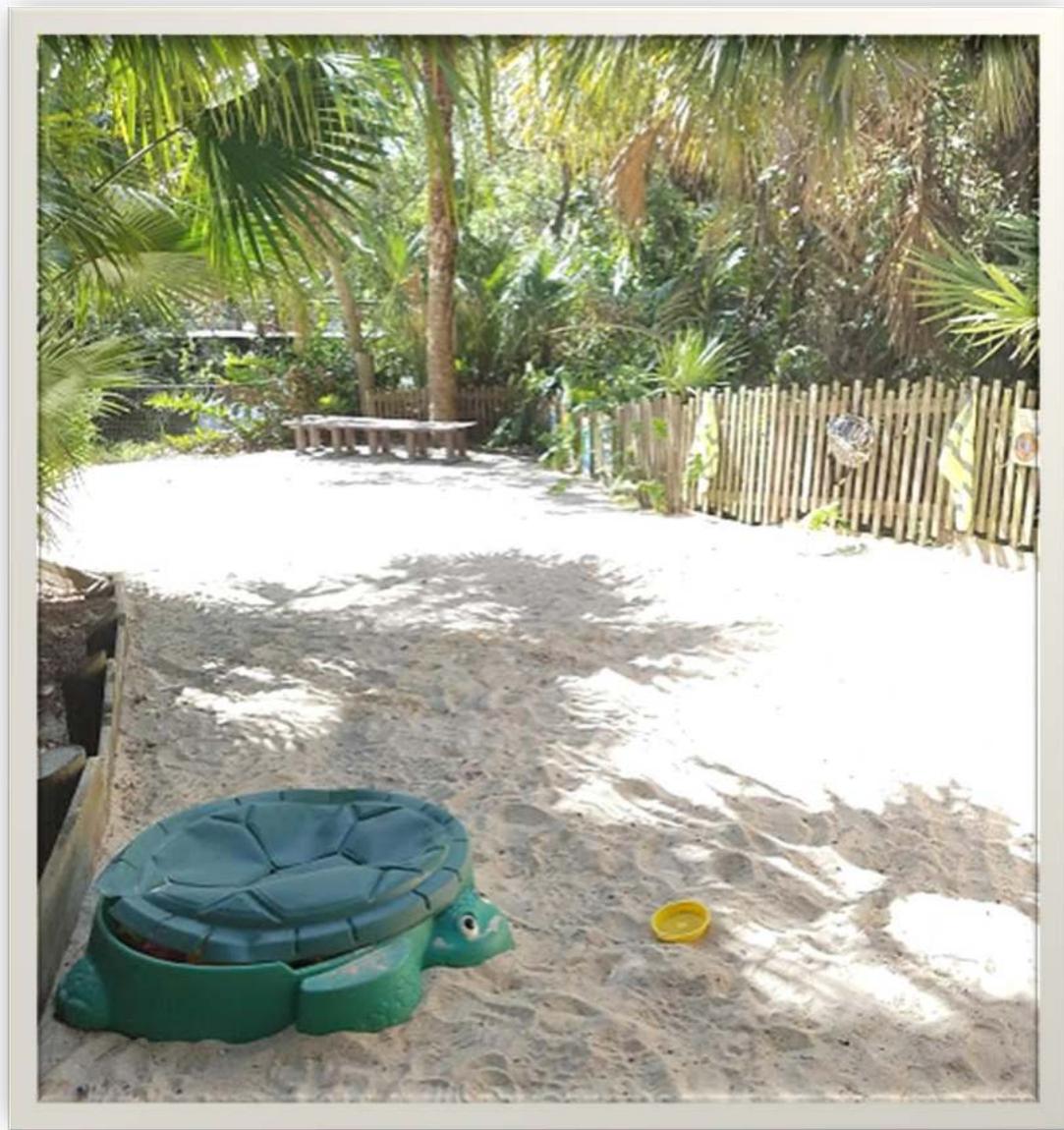


Next to the barnyard is an aquarium and an oyster reef. There are many marine animals in this area.

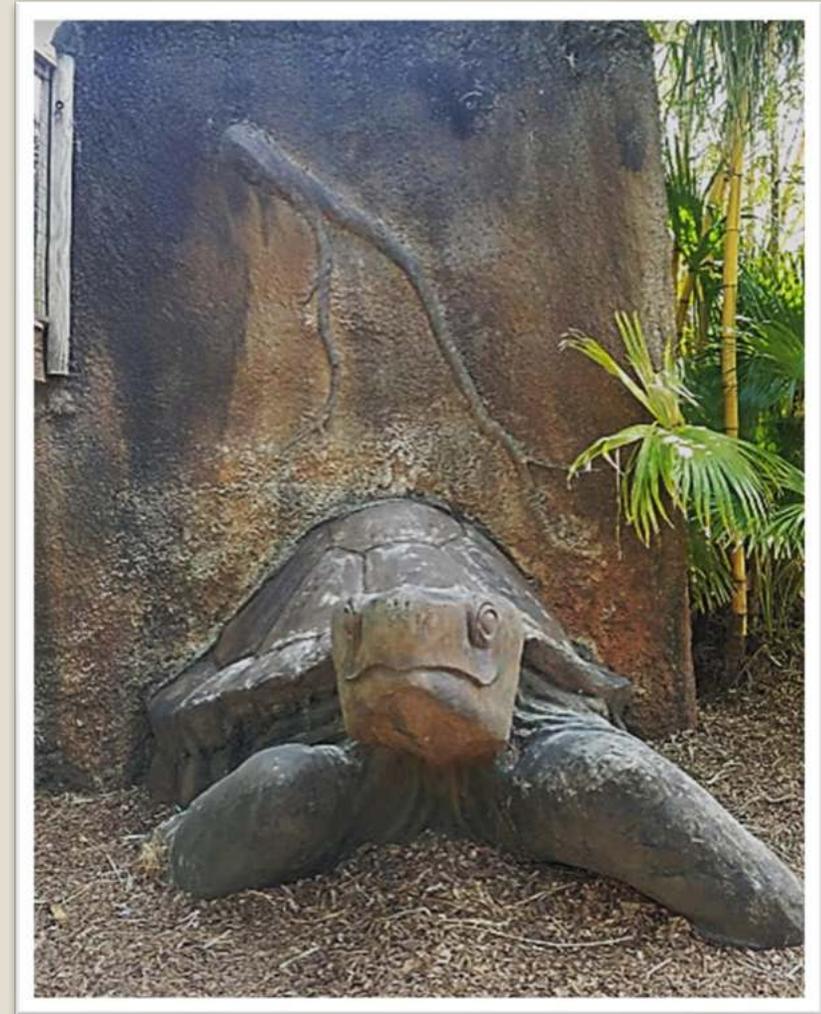
I will not place my hands in the water habitats.



I can play in
the sand at
Sea Turtle Beach.

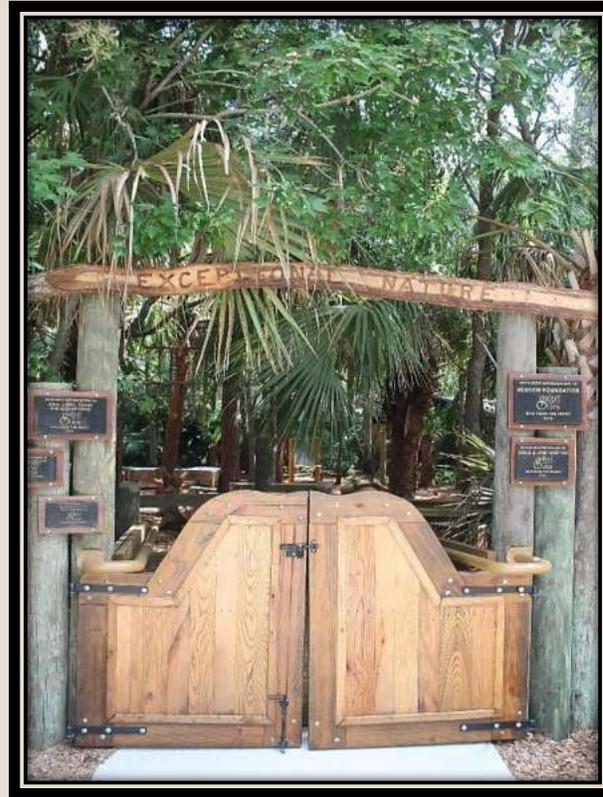


I can play in Upland Acres and climb through the Gopher Tortoise Inn.



Some areas in the zoo can be loud, but that is okay.

If I am feeling overwhelmed, I can ask a staff member to guide me to one of the Quiet Zones.



Exceptional Nature Space



Sea Turtle Beach



Wetlands

I can also ask for a sensory bag.

Inside the bag are headphones, a lanyard, and items to help me feel calm.



When it is time to leave the zoo, I will get my things and say goodbye to the zookeepers and animals.

I will have had a great day at Brevard Zoo!



Tips for Your Trip to the Zoo

1. The zoo opens at 9:30 a.m. and closes at 5 p.m. Last admission is at 3:30 p.m.
2. The zoo is less crowded before 11 a.m. or after 3 p.m. Some days are more crowded than other days.
3. Paws On and Lands of Change: Australia and Beyond open at 10 a.m.
4. Areas of the Zoo may be closed for programs, events or the area may reach capacity.
5. You can purchase lettuce to feed the giraffes, nectar cups to feed the lorikeets or a seed stick to feed the cockatiels.
6. There are two sides to the aviary. The lorikeets will **probably** land on you. The lorikeets can be energetic and hungry in the morning. On the other side, the cockatiels **may** land on you.
7. If you need a wheelchair, stroller, electric conveyance vehicle or sensory bag, you can inquire about them at the ticket booth or get them at Guest Services.
8. If you need a quiet place, you can take a break in one of our quiet zones located at Sea Turtle Beach or the Wetlands. You will need a staff escort to access the quiet zone in the Exceptional Nature Space.
9. All service animals **MUST** be checked in at guest services.
10. We encourage you to bring your reusable water bottle. You can fill them at water fountains by the restrooms.
11. During severe weather, some animals will go off habitat and certain activities may close (Paws On pool and Train); these activities typically re-open 30 minutes after the weather has cleared.
12. The train has one accessible space for a wheelchair.
13. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email kgunderson@brevardzoo.org

Zoo Do's

1. I can feed the giraffes; the giraffes prefer not to be touched.
2. I can look at the kangaroos; my hands stay to myself.
3. I can feed the birds; I do not chase them.
4. I can eat food at the café; I do not feed any of the animals near the café.
5. If I see an animal, I will ask someone wearing a zoo shirt if I can touch. If they say yes, I will wait for directions on how to touch.
6. Animals make many sounds; I only make people sounds and use words.
7. If I have to wait, I will stay with my group and wait patiently.
8. Plants are pretty to look at and I will leave them just as they are; I will not touch them.