



Let's visit...

**TREETOP
TREK**



Today I am going to
Treetop Trek at Brevard
Zoo!

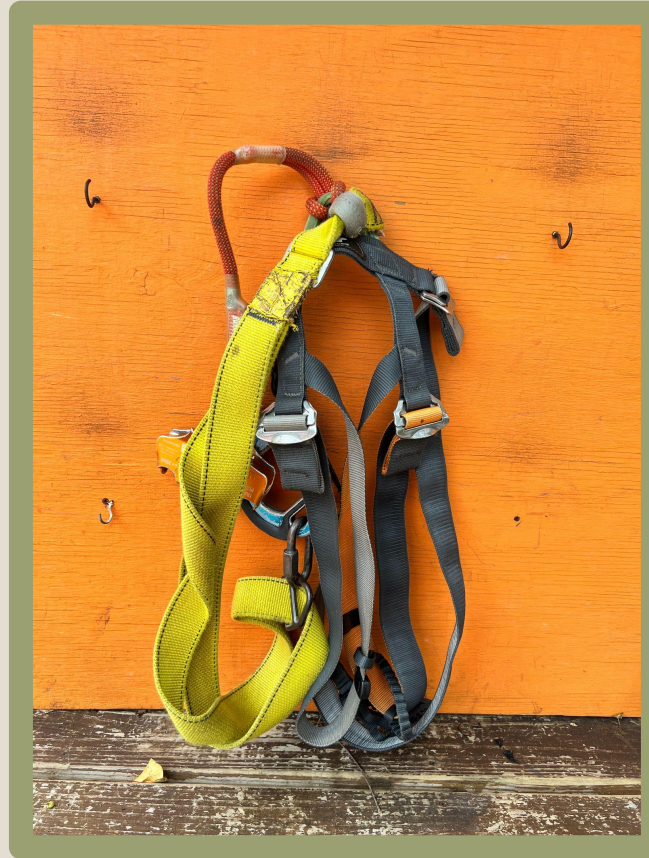
I am going on the Canopy
Walk course.

I will wear closed-toe shoes and comfortable clothes. I will bring my water bottle with me. If I get hot, I can drink water.





When I visit Treetop Trek, I will enter the zoo and walk to the Wild Florida loop. A Zoo staff member will greet me at the Adventure Outpost.



My parent or guardian will fill out a waiver for me. Then, I will go to the briefing platform to get my harness and helmet.

I must wear these the whole time to stay safe!

I will step into the harness and put the helmet on my head. The harness will be tight around my waist.

If I can not put them on myself, a staff member will help me.



If there are a lot of people waiting to get on the course, I might have to wait in the briefing area before I can go onto the course. That is okay!





Waiting may be difficult for me, but I can use my calming strategies to help me wait.

I will start the course by climbing up stairs. The Zoo staff member will show me how to attach my harness to the wires and move through the course.

The course is 20 feet off the ground.



My family can come with me on the course, or they can watch me from the ground.

I can talk to my family at any time through the course.



If I want help with the course, a staff member from the Zoo can come with me. They will be wearing orange shirts.

This may help me feel more confident.





I can communicate with the employees or my family by talking or using picture cards when I feel overwhelmed or scared.

I will be able to see different kinds of animals while I am on the course.



I can see different species of monkeys, like spider monkeys and titi monkeys!



There are 21 different elements on the course that I can try.

Some of them might move and others might be far apart. If I fall, my harness will catch me. I will try my best!





If I feel scared while stepping onto the elements that move, I can stop and take deep breaths or take a break.

My family will also be there to support me. I can choose to get down from the course at anytime.

Staying calm is good for me and will help me have fun while I do the course.





If it starts to thunder outside, it is okay! I will get down from the course and wait somewhere safe.

After the thunder is gone, I will start the course again.

If the thunder does not stop, I can come back on a sunny day to do the course again.

This might make me feel sad, but I can communicate my feelings with my family and think about how much fun it will be to come back.



When I am done, I will walk down the stairs. I will take off my harness and helmet. A staff member can help me if I need it.

I will say thank you to the Zoo employees!



I will have had a
great day at
Treetop Trek!



Tips for the Canopy Walk at Treetop Trek

1. Treetop Trek is open daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Open at 9:00 a.m. for Zoo members.
2. All 21 elements on the course are self-paced over the Rainforest Revealed loop.
3. A Brevard Zoo admission ticket or annual membership is required to access Treetop Trek.
4. Physical requirements: 67" arm reach • harness max. 250 lbs. with 48" waist & max. 26" leg openings. Guests who are pregnant or have underlying health conditions that can put them in danger are strictly prohibited from participating
5. Children under 13 must have a chaperone accompany them, either on the course or watching from the ground.
6. Children under 18 must have a parent or a natural guardian sign a safety waiver prior to participation. All guests are required to have a safety briefing before participating.
7. Mornings are less crowded than afternoon times.
8. If you would like a staff member to assist you on the course, you will have to pay a separate ticket fee for the staff member.
9. You can purchase tickets at the main entrance, the Adventure Outpost kiosk, or online at TreetopTrek.com. Timed tickets are not required but are recommended.
10. If you need a quiet place, you can take a break in one of our quiet zones located at Sea Turtle Beach or the Exceptional Nature Space. You will need a staff escort to access the quiet zone in the Exceptional Nature Space.
11. Weather can be extreme; we encourage you to bring your reusable water bottle. You can fill them at water fountains by the restrooms.
12. Treetop Trek stops all course activities when lightning is detected. Activities will resume 30 minutes after the last detected lightening. If the storm lasts the remainder of the day, no refunds or rainchecks will be made available.
13. For safety, this course may close when wind gusts reach 30 mph or more.
14. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email ashea@brevardzoo.org

Treetop Trek Canopy Walk Do's

1. I will listen to all instructions given to me by the Zoo staff members.
2. I will keep my helmet and my harness on the entire time.
3. I will follow all safety precautions.
4. If I have to wait, I will stay with my group and wait patiently.
5. If I am told to leave the course due to weather, I will listen to the staff member.
6. Plants are pretty to look at and I will leave them just as they are; I will not touch them.
7. If it is hot, I will drink water.
8. I will ask a Zoo staff member if I need help.
9. I will use my calming strategies if I feel overwhelmed.

Treetop Trek Canopy Walk

This outdoor adventure features stairs and obstacles to climb while viewing animals from above. This activity requires movement and following safety instructions.



Touch



HIGH

Smell



LOW

Sound



MEDIUM

Movement



HIGH

Sight



MEDIUM

Complexity



HIGH