



San Diego Zoo  
**Safari Park**

**Admissions & Venues Guide 2024**

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# 2024 Private Catered Event Admission

In order to utilize Catering Facilities at the San Diego Zoo Safari Park, an Admissions per attendee is required.

## 1-DAY PASS

Includes all-day admission, Africa Tram, and all public animal shows and exhibits as scheduled during operating hours.

Catered Event Attendee

**ADULT CHILD**

**\$38 \$28**

Retail **\$74 \$64**

## EVENING ENTRY

For Catered Groups entering grounds after 4:00 p.m. Includes admission, Africa Tram, and all public animal shows and exhibits as scheduled during operating hours.

**ADULT CHILD**

**\$18 \$18**

## PARKING FEE

Parking required during public hours. Retail Rate: \$20.

**PER VEHICLE**

**\$7**

## Special Experience Options

### WILDLIFE ENCOUNTER – 45 MINUTES

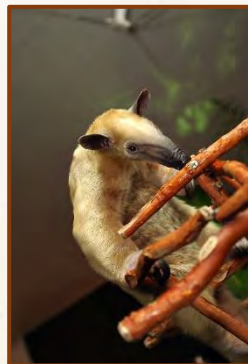
**\$2000**

Nothing completes a special event like a furry, feathery, or scaly guest of honor. Experience an up-close encounter with some of the rarest and most dynamic species that will inspire and amaze even the most educated animal enthusiast. Enjoy meeting our professional wildlife care staff and learn about wildlife, ecosystems, and the San Diego Zoo Wildlife Alliance conservation efforts. Our wildlife animal ambassadors include a variety of birds, reptiles, and mammals. This experience is available at select venues.

### WILDLIFE CARE SPECIALIST TALK – 30 MINUTES

**\$750**

Hear from the people who work with wildlife on a daily basis – guests will have the ability to ask questions and interact with our wildlife care specialists!



## Special Experience Options Continued

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### WILDLIFE SAFARI

Venture into one of our expansive savanna habitats to get an up-close view of a variety of birds and mammals—including some of our newest babies! You'll travel in the back of a covered, open-air safari truck, with an expert guide.

Recommended Time: Anytime Up to One Hour Prior to Sunset

Pricing: \$1,350 - \$1,750 (based on event date)

Duration: 60 Minutes

Boarding Location: Wildlife Safari Outpost

Ages 3 & Up

Up to 15 guests per truck, maximum four trucks (60 guests) per time frame



### SAFARI STROLL

Your guide will highlight different plants and animals featured along the tour. Your tour will also include a wildlife encounter to visit an animal habitat area not accessible by the general public.

Pricing: \$25/Person

Recommended Time: Anytime, Up to One Hour Prior to Sunset

Duration: 1 Hour

Boarding Location: Customizable

Ages: All Ages

Up to 150 guests at any one time with up to 25 guests per group



## FLIGHTLINE SAFARI

The ultimate recreational experience for those looking for excitement. Secure and comfortable in your harness, you will soar as high as 130 feet above the ground, with a spectacular bird's-eye view of rhinos, giraffes, and other wildlife in the savanna habitats below you.

The Flightline experience includes the use of safety equipment, an orientation, a brief interpretive tour, and a flight on our two zip lines. First, the Fledgling run prepares you for your ultimate Flightline experience. Once "fledged," you will be taken by Safari truck to the final launch platform. You will experience breathtaking views of the San Diego Zoo Safari Park and its expansive savanna habitats below as you "fly" approximately two-thirds of a mile, landing safely near our Roar & Snore campground.



Pricing: \$79 - \$92/Person Depending on Event Date

Recommended Time: Anytime Up to One Hour Prior to Sunset

Duration: 60 Minutes (including training session and test flight. times vary)

Boarding Location: Flightline Safari Outpost

Ages 8+ (Weight and other restrictions apply)

Up to 12 guests per hour

## EXCLUSIVE FLEDGLING EXPERIENCE

For large groups, enjoy this exhilarating experience on the Fledgling Run; a ride that runs through fragrant and shady trees.

Pricing: \$2,000/Hour

Recommended Time: Anytime, Up to One Hour Prior to Sunset

Duration: 60 Minutes (including training session, times vary)

Boarding Location: Flightline Safari Outpost

Ages 8+ (Weight and other restrictions apply)

Up to 44 guests per hour, with an additional 24 guests for each 30 minutes added (10 minutes for orientation; 50 minutes of flight)

### SAMBUTAN LONGHOUSE AT TIGER TRAIL – Recommended up to 120 Guests

Travel through a mystical bamboo passage into a tranquil forest before encountering captivating Sumatran Tigers. This venue features traditional Indonesian architecture with floor to ceiling windows.

Seating & Dining: 60" Round Tables Accompanied by Chiavari Chairs with Burgundy Cushions

Availability: Dinner



## Private Event - Venues

### MOMBASA PAVILION – Recommended up to 140 Guests

Lush, tropical foliage, harmonious waters and rare birds encompass this intimate open-air African style lodge.

Seating & Dining: 60" Round Tables  
Accompanied by Wicker Armed Chairs

Availability: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

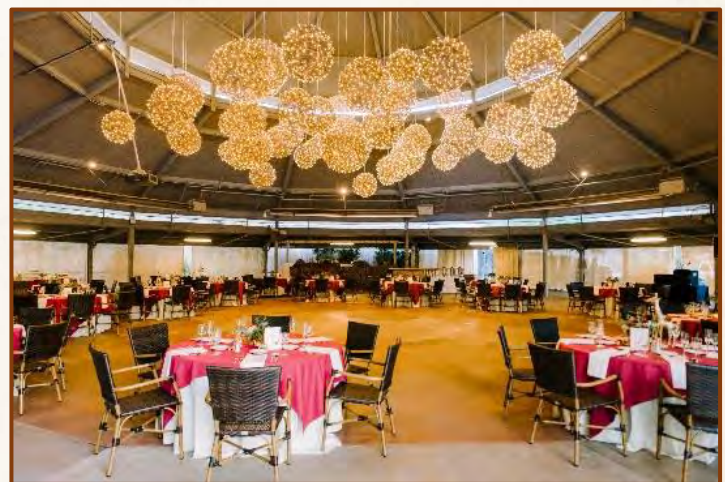


### HUNTE NAIROBI PAVILION – Recommended up to 300 Guests

On the edge of Nairobi Village, this spaces dramatic and open-air destination with 35-foot vaulted ceiling, adorned with ambient decorative lighting, is perfect for the larger gathering.

Seating & Dining: 60" Round Tables  
Accompanied by Wicker Armed Chairs

Availability: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



## Private Event - Venues

### MAWAZO TERRACE – Recommended up to 100 Guests

Enchanting views of the San Pasqual Valley can be found at this secluded vista. This outdoor venue is conveniently located by the Mawazo Jungle Gym.

Seating & Dining: 42" Round Tables Accompanied By Deck Chairs

Wildlife Encounters Are Not Available At This Location

Availability: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



### KIJAMII OVERLOOK – Recommended up to 220 Guests

Panoramic views of the Safari Park's Asian and African plains where giraffes, rhinos, and gazelles roam throughout the hillside. Unique African Lodge inspired facility complete with a fire pit. After Park Operational Hours, Venue Requires \$8/Person Round Trip Shuttle.

Seating & Dining: Choice of Farm Style Tables or Rounds (based on guest count)

Accompanied by Cross-Back Chairs with Tan Cushion

Availability: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



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### WOOLSHED AT WALKABOUT AUSTRALIA – Recommended up to 80 Guests

Located in Walkabout Australia, The Woolshed has a “ridggy-didge” design (Aussie-speak for “the real deal”) and is an excellent vantage point for viewing tree kangaroos. The private venue is a building representing a wool shearing shed like those found on Australia’s many sheep ranches, which locals call “stations.”

Seating & Dining: Farm Style Table  
Accompanied by Rustic Iron Chairs

Availability: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner





# Capacity Chart

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Room Name	Square Ft	Dimensions	Reception	Buffet	Plated	Buffet/ Dance	Theater
Hunte Nairobi Pavilion	7,170	45'diameter	400	300*	300*	250*	350*
Hunte Nairobi Pavilion, Schroeder Plaza, & Thorntree Terrace	18,338	-	1,000	500*	300*	500*	350*
Kijamii Overlook	3135	-	300*	220	220	180	-
Mombasa Pavilion	2,925	30x90	200	140	160	120	150
Mawazo Terrace	2,080	80x26	100	100*	-	80*	-
Sambutan Tiger Longhouse	2,801	31x90	175	120	120	120	-
Tiger Trail, Hunte, & Schroeder Plaza	21,139	-	Up to 1500	-	-	-	-
The Woolshed, Walkabout Australia	2280	38 x 60	125	80 at Rectangular Farm-Style Tables	96	60	100

**San Diego Zoo Safari Park Buyout Available**

*Capacities listed may vary based on event specific set up.*

*\*Rental of additional chairs and tables may be required to meet maximum set up.*

# Catering Policies and Procedures

## ADMISSION

In order to utilize catering facilities at the premises, an admissions fee per attendee is required. SDZWA membership, military passes, prepaid tickets and/or discount coupons do not apply to Special Events.

## FOOD AND BEVERAGE MINIMUMS, BAR MINIMUMS & ROOM RENTALS

Each facility has a minimum Food and Beverage expenditure requirement. This minimum is met through the purchase of the food and beverage only. Entertainment, rental, décor, admissions, surcharges, wildlife encounters, labor fees and/or sales tax do not apply towards this minimum. If the food and beverage minimum is not met, an amount equal to the deficit plus applicable sales tax will be charged to the client.

Any deviation and/or reductions in program do not alter the client's responsibility for full payment of this minimum.

## GROUP SIZE MINIMUM

70 guest minimum will apply to admissions, tours, food (except as defined for food station minimums at 100 guests) and beverages.

## DEPOSIT

A non-refundable deposit is required at the time of signing the Sales Agreement in order to consider any reservation confirmed. This deposit will be applied toward the total charge for the Event.

The remaining balance as determined by the Event Order will be due ten (10) business days prior to the Event.

## FINAL GUARANTEE

A final guarantee is due no later than 10:00 am (PST) ten (10) business days prior to your event. If the final guarantee is not received within the ten (10) day specification, the estimated attendance given at contract will be used as the final billable guarantee. The Client will be invoiced for the final guaranteed attendance (food, beverage, admissions and tours) or the actual number of meals served, and entrances granted, whichever is greater.

San Diego Zoo Wildlife Alliance (SDZWA) will provide seating 3% over the guarantee up to the maximum capacity of the reserved facility San Diego Zoo Wildlife Alliance will be prepared to cook food for 3% over the guarantee as the need is determined. If the actual number of guests at an event exceeds 3% of the guarantee, every effort will be made to provide meals, but we reserve the right to substitute food items and not guaranteed.

## VENUE COORDINATOR

The SDZWA Event Coordinator will serve as liaison between SDZWA and the Client for all needs. Any arrangements/requests/communication must be made directly with said Event Coordinator.

The SDZWA Event Coordinator must approve all decorations, themes and entertainment at least one (1) month prior to the Event. The SDZWA reserves the right to refuse any decoration themes or entertainment that may be considered a health or safety problem or cause damage to the premises.

## RESTRICTED

For the safety of our guests and wildlife collection, items not allowed on premises include but are not limited to: any animals other than service animals, drones, balloons, balls, Frisbees, hacky sacks, hula hoops, bicycles, scooters, tricycles, riding toys of any kind, bug nets, plastic bug keeper containers, cap guns, noisemakers, toys that make loud noises, fireworks, glass bottles, jump ropes, knives, weapons, lawn chairs, plants, roller blades, skates, skateboards, roller shoes, throw away lids and straws, AM/FM radios, scanners, portable TVs, laser pointers, whistles and yo-yos.

## POWER

All power requirements must be on file with the SDZWA Event Coordinator at least one (1) month prior to Event Date. Extensive power needs are subject to additional charges.

# Catering Policies and Procedures

## **MUSIC**

Music sound levels cannot exceed a maximum sustained decibel level of 80. SDZWA will monitor. If sustained reading exceeds maximum, client will be immediately notified and will be expected to reduce the volume. Any additional notifications after the first offense will incur a \$500 fine per notice. More than 3 notices, power source to music will be powered down for remainder of the event.

Loud percussions (i.e. marching band) and steel drum bands not allowed for animal welfare.

## **SMOKING**

San Diego Zoo and Safari Park is a non-smoking and non-vaping facility.

## **WEATHER**

Inclement weather options are available for an additional cost and are not included in minimum charges.

## **LIGHTING**

Outdoor venues have basic lighting. Thematic lighting is available at an additional charge. Entertainment, buffets, and presentation requirements will affect capacities.

## **CONFIRMATION OF SPACE**

Event space may be confirmed with a signed sales agreement and deposit as early as eighteen (18) months in advance. All dates are subject to approval from our Sales Department.

## **EVENT SCHEDULES/TIMING**

The client agrees to conform to the specifications of the guaranteed Event Order regarding arrival, meal service, entertainment and departure schedule. Client will be invoiced for any expenses incurred as a result of client's failure to comply with the contracted specifications listed in the Event Order. Groups that are on the premises after 11 p.m. will be charged a late fee of \$1,000.00 per hour, or any portion thereof unless otherwise contracted. All groups must depart by 12 midnight.

Client has access to venue one hour prior to event. Extensive set up time requests may be available with an additional fee.

Event attendees are restricted to contracted venue after operating hours.

## **DÉCOR**

All decorations, theming and entertainment must be approved by the Event Coordinator at least (3) weeks prior to the event.

San Diego Zoo Wildlife Alliance reserves the right to refuse any decoration, theming, lighting or entertainment that may be considered a health or safety problem for the wildlife or cause damage to San Diego Zoo Wildlife Alliance property.

## **SAFARI PARK TOURS**

Tour pricing available only in conjunction with a private catered event.

Alternate routes can be arranged for guests with mobility impairments. Arrangements must be made 3 weeks in advance.

A fee will apply for cancelling any scheduled tour, please refer to your Sales Specialist for Cancellation Policy.

A Late Fee of \$180 will be incurred for groups arriving more than 30 minutes late to their scheduled tour time.

Select tours may not be available during peak hours, or operating hours, please refer to your Sales Specialist for more information.

## **PRICING SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

All food, beverage, tours and entertainment are subject to pricing changes. Client will be notified prior to any pricing changes.

# Catering Policies and Procedures

## **FOOD SERVICE**

Requests for special dietary restrictions must be made 4 weeks in advance, if not sooner. The kitchen will make reasonable efforts to accommodate such requests.

### Buffet & Food Stations

90-minute service time. An extension of actual service times is subject to additional labor fees. One buffet table with two serving lines will be set up for each 100 guests as space allows. Recyclable serviceware is included.

## **BEVERAGE SERVICE**

All beverage service will be provided by SDZWA and is subject to the regulations of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board of California. We reserve the right to refuse service to anyone.

There is a \$595 cumulative bar guarantee per bartender. If the bar guarantee is not met, the bar difference will be charged.

One bartender per 75 guests is provided, based on a maximum of four (4) service hours.

Additional service time is available at \$155/hour, per bartender, per location.

Bars relocating to a second locations will incur a relocation fee of \$155 per bar, per 75 guests.

Grab and Go bars are limited to one specialty drink, served "wild" and "tame", charged based on guarantee or actual whichever is greater, and subject to \$155 bar set up fee.

Wine corkage fees are \$38/750 mL bottle. Wine Service available during plated meals. Please refer to your Sales Specialist for our wine list.

Labor fees are not considered part of the bar guarantee.