



## Virtual Animal Adventures Frequently Asked Questions Summer 2020

### **What are *Animal Adventures*?**

*Animal Adventures* are live, virtual presentations designed for groups, such as for schools, day care centers, libraries, camps, senior centers, scouts, and more. Not with a group? Check out [Sofa Safaris!](#)

***Little Animal Adventures*** are scheduled from 9:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. on specific dates. These presentations are designed for children ages two to five, covering a variety of age-appropriate topics such as counting, senses, and animal movement. Each presentation includes an interactive activity and live animal presentations.

***Animal Adventures*** are scheduled from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. on specific dates. On Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays *Animal Adventures* will be tailored for children ages five to eleven with topics such as adaptations or nocturnal animals. On Wednesdays, *Animal Adventures* will be tailored for teens and/or adults with topics such as conservation and animal care. Each presentation features age-appropriate activities and/or discussion and live animal presentations.

If you are unsure if these options fit the needs of your group, please contact us and we will be happy to discuss the best option for you.

### **What kinds of animals will we meet during an *Animal Adventure*?**

The Zoo houses many species of Animal Ambassadors, including reptiles, birds, small mammals, amphibians, and invertebrates. We carefully choose Animal Ambassadors for each presentation to support the designated topic, to make the experience fun and educational for your audience, and to ensure the best welfare for each animal. We are unable to fulfill requests for specific animals at any time.

Visit <https://www.marylandzoo.org/animals/meet-our-animals/>, select "Animals by Habitat", followed by "Animal Ambassadors" for examples of the species we may present during an Animal Adventure.

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## How will virtual *Animal Adventures* work?

For the health and safety of our staff and the animals, all *Animal Adventure* presentations will be held virtually rather than in person through the summer. Zoo educators will host *Animal Adventures* from the Zoo using [Zoom](#), while you will be able to open a provided link for your group to view the live presentation. Your group will have the ability to relay questions through Zoom's chat feature, and we will try to answer as many questions as we can about the animals or anything else your group may be interested in.

*Little Animal Adventures* are scheduled from 9:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. on specific weekdays. *Animal Adventures* are scheduled from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. on specific weekdays. Pre-registration for these presentations is required. Once your group is registered for a specific time slot, you will be sent the Zoom meeting link. You will be able to access the virtual meeting space up to 15 minutes before the scheduled start time.

**Note:** If your group is unable to meet together in person and you are interested in each participant signing into a live presentation individually, please contact us for additional information and to register.



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**What do I need to provide for an *Animal Adventure*?**

If your group is together in one location, you will need a computer, internet connection, projector, and a screen large enough for your group to see. We also recommend using speakers to increase the quality of the experience for your group.

If your group is unable to meet together in person for a presentation, please contact us for additional information.

**How do I change my program date or cancel my reservation?**

If you need to change your registered presentation date or cancel your reservation, please let us know at least 14 days in advance. Cancellations made within 14 days of your registered presentation date will not be refunded.

**Who can I contact with requests or questions?**

Please email [outreach@marylandzoo.org](mailto:outreach@marylandzoo.org) (preferred) or call 443.552.5300 with any further questions.