

The Calgary Zoo

Field Trip Lead: Elizabeth Hak

Cost: \$40.00

Number of Participants: 50

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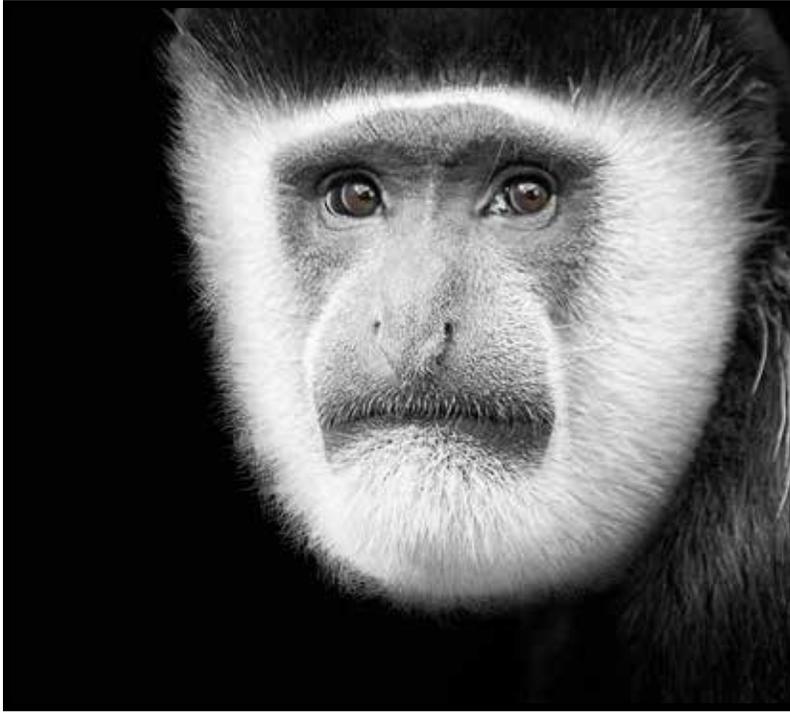
Return transit fare for the LRT between SAIT and the Zoo

Entrance fee to the Zoo

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Colobus Monkey

History

Located on George's Island, the Calgary Zoo was founded 90 years ago with a few birds, mammals and six black squirrels. Now, with over 1000 animals and 200 different species, the zoo has expanded in size and scope to become a leader in wildlife conservation. The Calgary Zoo is one of the city's most cherished attractions for citizens and tourists alike and a must-see destination for photographers.



Flowers are abundant in the extensive outdoor gardens as well as in the Conservatory where the butterflies fly free in a tropical environment.



Komodo Dragon

This field trip starts at SAIT where a quick 15 minute ride on the LRT (train transit) drops us off at the zoo for the 9 a.m. opening when the animals are most active and the zoo is not as crowded. The field trip leader is an experienced photographer who can give you all the tips and tricks for getting the best shots of the animals. You can stay with the leader or wander around the zoo at your own pace and explore the habitats you like best. While the field trip ends at 3 p.m., you can stay as long as you like and take the LRT back to SAIT on your own.



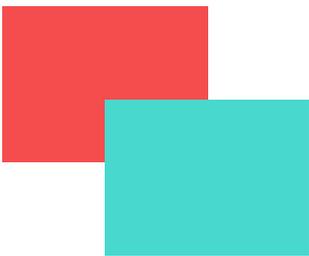
A wide variety of birds at the Calgary Zoo.



Lowland Gorilla

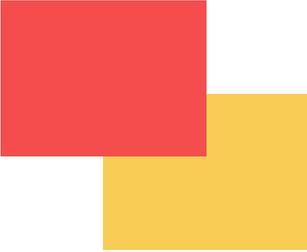
So Much to See

The Calgary Zoo is separated into different habitats including Penguin Plunge, Land of Lemurs, Destination Africa, the Canadian Wilds, the Conservatory and Butterfly Garden and, most recently, Panda Passage. Long gone are the days where you could only see the animals through bars. Many of the animals, like the wolves, gorillas, flamingos and pandas, are in barrier-free habitats designed to enjoy the animals (and to take great shots). The zoo is quite large but there are no steep hills and the paths are all paved.





Snow Leopard



Other habitats like those enclosing the cougars, bears and tigers have viewing alcoves with clear glass to ensure you have no bars to ruin your photographs. Even more enjoyable are the immersive animal experiences like the owl aviary, the lemurs and the butterfly garden where the animals roam free creating wonderful photographic opportunities.



The light is constantly changing allowing for interesting images.



Mountain Goat

A Memorable Day

The zoo provides an excellent opportunity to practice animal portraiture and to add some exotic animals to your image collection. The zoo is also renowned for its spectacular gardens where you can try your hand at macro photography with a vast flower collection including orchids, tulips, irises and hibiscus to enjoy.

What better way to start CCC2019 than spending the day making memorable images and enjoying the world class Calgary Zoo.