



# BUNK WITH THE BEASTS OVERNIGHT ADVENTURES

## WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT...

We want your Bunk with the Beasts overnight adventure to be a fun and memorable one. Please take a look at the following information regarding our expectations of your group, and what you can expect from us. **Please share this information with everyone attending...** We'll see you soon!

## WHAT YOU'LL SEE

Each Bunk with the Beasts overnight adventure is specifically designed with activities that complement the theme of the Bunk you've chosen. Your group will explore exhibits, learn fun facts and anecdotes, and participate in learning games, crafts or stories that focus in on your Bunk topic. The Denver Zoo encompasses 80 acres, and is home to more than 4000 animals, representing over 750 different species. You won't see everything or learn all there is to learn in just one visit, but you will delve deeper into the topic at hand. And, *registered participants are free to explore the zoo on your own after the Bunk ends*, if you'd like to see some of the exhibits and animals not related to your chosen topic.

## WHAT YOU'LL DO

Bunk with the Beasts overnight adventures offer a more intimate, personalized exploration of the zoo. Each Bunk with the Beast overnight adventure includes different activities specific to the theme, but you can count on an active, fun-filled experience that includes:

- A guided zoo tour focusing on animals relating to the Bunk theme
- Animal encounters (you won't touch a tiger, but you will get up close and personal with some of our 'lower profile' residents that play an equally important role in their habitats!)
- A variety of educational games and activities, including use of night vision scopes.
- An opportunity to see the zoo at night, without the large crowds!

## TYPES OF BUNKS, AND HOW THEY DIFFER

We offer 4 main types of Bunks: **Group Bunks**, **Scout Bunks**, **Family or Kids-Only Bunks** and **CampOUT Bunks**. Really, the biggest difference is where you sleep and spend your time.

If you are registered for a **CampOUT Bunk** (offered only in summer months, and select dates in May and September), you can expect to be outside in the zoo almost 100% of the time! This means not only will your guided zoo tour be outside, but your dinner, evening snack, breakfast, bunk activities and yes – sleeping arrangements – will be outside, too. CampOUT participants sleep in large canvas tents in our Primate Panorama Safari Camp. Expect to hear sounds of the zoo and of the city as you sleep at night, and look forward to the campfire treats and tales, bat tours at dusk, and unique animal/keeper opportunities in the morning – all part of the unique CampOUT experience!

The three other types of Bunks – **Group Bunks**, **Scout Bunks** and **Family/Kids Bunks** are offered mainly September through May, with an occasional date or two in summer. At these Bunks participants sleep, eat and experience Animal Encounters inside the comfort of the Gates Education Center building, but go out in the zoo for private after-hours tours and activities at night and in the morning before the zoo opens. An unforgettable experience at the zoo, year-round! A few more distinctions you'll want to note:

- **Group Bunks** are designed around a general animal or zoo theme, such as African predator and prey, rainforests, or zoo careers. They are our most economical option, and *do not include dinner*. They do include all of the outstanding tours, animal encounters, and educational activities of the other bunks.
- **Scout Bunks** are tailored around Girl Scout or Cub Scout badges, try-its, journeys or achievements. They are slightly higher in price than group bunks, because they *do include dinner* and Bunk with the Beasts patches for scouts. Scout groups are welcome to register for a Group Bunk date, but we ask that you note the differences and select the best option for your troop or pack. Please contact us if you are unsure of the type of bunk for which you registered.
- **Family or Kids-Only Bunks** are designed for either kids-only, or families with children ages 6 and up. They are offered on select dates throughout the year, with Family CampOUT options available outside in the zoo in the summer.

## **RULES OF THE ZOO**

*Overnight participants are given special access to the zoo when it is normally closed to the public.*

*We hope that you will enjoy this special privilege and help us by doing the following:*

- DO treat animals kindly. Remember, this is where they live and they are not used to having company in the evening and early morning. Please use “quiet voices” and do not touch exhibit glass when on tours.
- DO treat all campers, staff, and volunteers with respect.
- DO keep your nametag visible at all times. It identifies you as a camper who is allowed on zoo grounds after-hours.
- DO stay in a group with your tour guides.
- DO walk. It gets dark and running is not safe.
- DO remember the Denver Zoo is Smoke-Free and Bunk with the Beasts is Alcohol-free.

**WE LOOK FORWARD TO HOSTING YOU ON YOUR NEXT  
BUNK WITH THE BEASTS OVERNIGHT ADVENTURE!**