Zoovivor

It is tribe against tribe in Zoovivor! This Zoo island adventure is about team work and a willingness to have fun. Tribes will experience a series of Zoo-style challenges that will test mental stamina, creativity, cooperation, and individual and team attitude. As long as everyone is having fun and no one is creating any tribal tension, no one gets voted off the island!

POSSIBLE CHALLENGES

1. Pebbles and Penguins
   - Ever wondered how a penguin might impress a potential mate? It’s all about getting the perfect pebble. A little speed and a lot of strategy will let you triumph at this game of stones.

2. What the Heck Is It?
   - You are presented with numerous, interesting biofacts (=animal artefacts). As a tribe, you will need to determine what each biofact is. So, what’s your best guess?!!

Duration: typically 3 hours

Prices: (includes Zoo admission)

Please call 403-232-7770 for more information.

Minimum # of participants: 25 – smaller groups are welcome but the minimum cost will be based on 25 people
Maximum # of participants: 75

Venue type: both indoors and outdoors. In cases of severe weather, we will aim to reduce the time spent outside.

Dress code: You will be outside, so wear comfortable clothes and shoes and be prepared for weather changes. Zoovivor is not a race but has a set timetable of activities and thus there is no need to run between challenge stations.
Basic Itinerary:

A staff member will meet you at your Zoovivor start location and provide an introduction to the activities, go over ground rules and the timing of the program. This usually takes 10-15 minutes.

Your group will split up into their teams of 4-6 people and be given a timetable and Zoo map. Teams will then make their way to their first challenge. Teams will be sent to different challenges, led by staff and volunteers. Each team will have a timetable outlining the start times and locations for each of the stations.

Each team will then proceed to a series of five challenges before returning to the main venue for wrap up. Individual teams will remain together in their cohorts of 4-6 people and arrive at any given challenge at the same time as one or two other teams.

At each of the challenge activities, the team will receive a score and their final tally will be counted at the end of the race as they return to the main room. Your race host will announce the winners and conduct an informal debrief of the events, what they learned, what they found most challenging, etc.
Escape Extinction

The world needs your help to save the Giant Panda from extinction. You will race time to complete challenges that will help you to breed and release giant pandas back into the wild. Will your team be up to the challenge and become conservation heroes? The most physical part of the race will be all the walking you will do. The only requirements for this program are a pair of good shoes and a good attitude!

CHALLENGES

1. Who’s Your Daddy?
   • You are the breeding coordinator for Pandas. Who is the best match to save the species?

2. Tracks and Scats
   • Become the field researcher and track the pandas using prints and poop.

3. Habitat Re-con
   • Pandas eat 98% bamboo. You will become the forest planner and connect the bamboo forests to create more Panda habitat.

**Duration:** typically 2 hours

**Prices:** (includes zoo admission)

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**Minimum # of participants:** 25 – smaller groups are welcome but the minimum cost will be based on 25 people
**Maximum # of participants:** 100

**Venue type:** both indoors and outdoors. In cases of severe weather, we will aim to reduce the time spent outside.

**Dress code:** You will be inside and outside, so wear comfortable clothes and shoes and be prepared for weather changes. Even though the Escape Extinction is a timed event, we do not encourage running. If all teams work cooperatively and steadily, there is more than ample time to complete every challenge.
Basic Itinerary:

A staff member will meet you at your Escape Extinction home base (start location) and provide an introduction to the activities, go over ground rules and the timing of the event. This usually takes 15 minutes.

Your group will split up into their teams of 4-6 people and start the first challenge in the same room as the introduction. They will be provided with instructions of where to go next. Each team is also provided with a Zoo map.

Each team will then proceed to a series of three challenges before returning to the main venue for wrap up. The teams are staggered and start at different challenges, which are led by staff and volunteers. Each individual team will remain together in their cohorts of 4-6 people and occasionally arrive at a challenge at the same time as another team. Most of the time, however, they will be completing the series as individual teams rather than a large group.

At each of the challenge activities, the team will receive a score and their final tally will be counted at the end of the race as they return to the main room. As this is a race to save Pandas for extinction – extra points will be awarded for the fastest teams. However, there are many other ways to gain points and be conservation heroes! At the conclusion, your race host will announce the winners and conduct an informal debrief of the events, what they learned, what they found most challenging, etc.

This teambuilder DOES NOT INCLUDE a tour or visit to Giant Pandas. For an additional $5pp we can arrange a priority timed ticket for your group to go see Pandas on your own. Other options are an early morning breakfast or evening cocktail party.
Zoo-mazing Race

It’s all about team effort and having fun in *Zoo-mazing Race*! Working in teams, you will go through a series of challenges that will take you throughout the Zoo. All these challenges will have, of course, an animal-flare and will be a combination of mental and slightly physical activities. The most physical part of the race will be all the walking you will do. The only requirements for this program are a pair of good shoes and a good attitude!

POSSIBLE CHALLENGES

1. **Biofact Challenge**
   - You are given an animal artefact that you have to identify. Find out who on your team watches too much Animal Planet.

2. **Mountain Goat**
   - Become the mountain goat and work as a team to cross from ledge to ledge. Don’t worry – this challenge will NOT test your fear of heights or your physical fitness.

3. **Guano Toss**
   - Humboldt penguins build their nests on large guano heaps, along with hundreds of their neighbours. With a little aim and a good sense of humour, you’ll be king or queen of the guano!

**Duration:** typically 3 hours

**Prices:** *(includes zoo admission)*

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- **Minimum # of participants:** 25 – smaller groups are welcome but the minimum cost will be based on 25 people
- **Maximum # of participants:** 100

**Venue type:** both indoors and outdoors. In cases of severe weather, we will aim to reduce the time spent outside.

**Dress code:** You will be outside, so wear comfortable clothes and shoes and be prepared for weather changes. Even though the Zoo-mazing Race is a fast-paced activity, we do not encourage running between challenge stations. If all teams work cooperatively and steadily, there is more than ample time to complete every challenge.
Basic Itinerary:

A staff member will meet you at your Zoo-mazing Race start location and provide an introduction to the activities, go over ground rules and the timing of the Race. This usually takes 15 minutes.

Your group will split up into their teams of 4-6 people and start the first challenge in the same room as the introduction. All groups will be taking on a nature puzzle activity and as they complete the challenge, they will be provided with a folder containing instructions of where to go next. Each team is also provided with a Zoo map.

Each team will then proceed to a series of six challenges before returning to the main venue for wrap up. The teams are staggered and start at different challenges, which are led by staff and volunteers. Each individual team will remain together in their cohorts of 4-6 people and occasionally arrive at a challenge at the same time as another team. Most of the time, however, they will be completing the series as individual teams rather than a large group.

At each of the challenge activities, the team will receive a score and their final tally will be counted at the end of the race as they return to the main room. Your race host will announce the winners and conduct an informal debrief of the events, what they learned, what they found most challenging, etc.
Scavenger Hunts

Our popular scavenger hunts are a great way to get out and see the zoo and to take part in a little team building fun at the same time.

Here’s how it works: You will be met by a zoo staff member who will welcome your group and share the details on the specific scavenger hunt you’ve chosen. We will go over where answers can be found, the timing for your program and how teams will be scored. Teams will set out in groups of 4 to 6 people in search of the answers to a variety of zoo questions. Does your team have the accuracy and speed to champion this trivia quest?

Questions will guide participants to find answers on signage, audio towers and multimedia screens at various enclosures. Maps are provided to all teams.

When you return to your starting location, we will tally up the scores and give out bragging rights to the top teams. We will also share biofacts (animal artefacts) related to the clues on your particular scavenger hunt.

Sample questions:

- The word “bog” is Gaelic for ______________, and “muskeg” is Ojibway for ______________.

- I am the largest flying bird at the zoo and in the Western Hemisphere. I am a national symbol for countries like Peru and Ecuador. You can easily distinguish a male from a female because a male has a “comb” on its head and a neck wattle. What am I?

- What is the dwarf crocodile’s hunting strategy?

Booking and Pricing
Please call 403-232-7770

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Current Scavenger Hunt Options:

**Canadian Wilds Scavenger Hunt** – If your group is looking for a rugged outdoor experience, the Canadian Wilds scavenger hunt will allow your group to explore the Rocky Mountains, the Northern Forest, and other scenic habitats in search of creatures like bighorn sheep, bears, and wolves.

  **Time required:** 1.5 hours

**Canadian Wilds Geocaching Scavenger Hunt** – If your group likes technology and the outdoors, this is the activity for you. Your groups will explore the Canadian Wilds area of the zoo, using GPS units to find the hidden locations of your questions and answers. (Maximum 90 participants)

  **Time required:** 1.5 hours

**Destination Africa Scavenger Hunt** – Looking for a tropical experience? The Destination Africa scavenger hunt will take your group through both the African Savannah and TransAlta Rainforest, in search of crocodiles, gorillas, hippos and more.

  **Time required:** 1 hour

**ENMAX Conservatory Scavenger Hunt** - Are you looking for a perfect escape, something to take you away from the cold and from work? We have the perfect answer – a trivia hunt through our new ENMAX Conservatory! Butterflies (seasonal), flowers and lush greenery are the beautiful and relaxing backdrop to this activity.

  **Time required:** 1 hour

**On the Hunt at the Calgary Zoo** – Want to see animals from all over the world in a short period of time? This scavenger hunt will allow you to do just that, taking you to our African, Botanical, Canadian, Eurasian, and South American exhibits. This is an indoor and outdoor experience.

  **Time required:** 2.5 to 3 hours
The Keeper Games

"May the odds be ever in your favor". Your team will take on the role of Zookeeper to complete mental and physical (non-strenous) challenges around the Zoo. Teams get a taste for the role of a Zookeeper while having fun exploring the Zoo. This teambuilder is not a race but teams will compete for high scores to win "The Keeper Games". The only requirements for this program are a pair of good shoes and a good attitude!

POSSIBLE CHALLENGES
1. Dart the Bear
   - How do Zoo veterinarians tranquilize animals in order to give them medical attention? Find out who on your team has the targeting talent to do the job.

2. The Calorie Conundrum
   - Preparing meals for hundreds of animals at the zoo is complicated. Your team will have to put three buckets together - but make sure you get everyone their required calories.

3. Target Training
   - Zookeepers train animals in order to improve their healthcare. Once you learn the system - you can use clickers and train your own team members for points.

Duration: typically 3 hours

Prices: (includes zoo admission)

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Minimum # of participants: 25 – smaller groups are welcome but the minimum cost will be based on 25 people
Maximum # of participants: 80

Venue type: both indoors and outdoors. In cases of severe weather, we will aim to reduce the time spent outside.

Dress code: wear comfortable clothes and shoes and be prepared for weather changes. Even though the Keeper Games can be a fast-paced activity, we do not encourage running between challenge stations. If all teams work cooperatively and steadily, there is more than ample time to complete every challenge.
Basic Itinerary:
A staff member will meet you at your Keeper Games start location and provide an introduction to the activities, go over ground rules and the timing of the games. This usually takes 15 minutes.

Your group will split up into their teams of 4-6 people and start the first challenge in the same room as the introduction. All groups will be taking on a zookeeper type activity and as they complete the challenge, they will be provided with a schedule containing instructions of where to go next. Each team is also provided with a Zoo map.

Each team will then proceed to a series of five challenges before returning to the main venue for wrap up. The teams are staggered and start at different challenges, which are led by staff and volunteers. Each individual team will remain together in their cohorts of 4-6 people and occasionally arrive at a challenge at the same time as another team. Most of the time, however, they will be completing the series as individual teams rather than a large group.

At each of the challenge activities, the team will receive a score and their final tally will be counted at the end of the activity as they return to the main room. Your event host will announce the winners and conduct an informal debrief of the events, what they learned, what they found most challenging, etc.