

The Best Route at the San Diego Zoo

FOR FAMILIES WITH KIDS

See the most, avoid backtracking, and save your energy!

DO NOT UNDERESTIMATE HOW BIG THIS ZOO IS!

It spans 100 acres with steep hills, winding paths, and massive exhibits. A little planning goes a long way to keep the peace (and the kids happy)! ❤️

OUR SUGGESTED ROUTE

1 Start at the Entrance
Arrive early and head directly to the Skyfari.

2 Panda Ridge
See the giant pandas early (a must-see!).

3 Northern Frontier
Check out the polar bears and other arctic animals.

4 Elephant Odyssey
Visit the amazing elephants and more.

5 Africa Rocks
See lions, giraffes, hippos and more.

6 Outback
Don't miss the koalas and Australian animals.

7 Wildlife Explorers Basecamp
Let the kids play, burn off energy, and explore before you head out.

A perfect day from start to finish! ❤️



So much to see! ❤️

TIPS FOR A SMOOTHER DAY



ARRIVE EARLY

Beat the crowds and see the must-sees (mlike the pandas) before lines get long.



USE THE SKYFARI

It saves your legs and helps you avoid a lot of hills.



CONSIDER THE GUIDED BUS TOUR

It's included with admission and gives everyone a chance to rest. Strollers aren't allowed on the bus.



COME PREPARED

Bring water, snacks, sunscreen, hats, and a stroller (even if your kids don't always use it!). There is a lot of walking.



HAVE A PLAN

A rough route helps you avoid backtracking and keeps everyone happier.

More animals. Fewer meltdowns. A happier day! ❤️

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