



Behind the Scene Tours/ Animal Encounters 2023

Please call to see which tours are currently available



While you may ask for a specific area to tour, we cannot guarantee that a specific behind-the-scenes area will be available on the day of your tour. We reserve the right to change tour areas as needed for the health, safety and security of our guests and our animal residents.

There are restrictions for the timing of the tours and the number and ages of the participants. Please read the restrictions closely.

Behind the Scenes: \$150 each and additional \$75 for an extra 15 people

- Tiger - 15 people at a time. (MUST BE AT LEAST 8 YEARS OLD)
- Rhinos - 15 people at a time.
- Penguin – 4 people at a time.
- Canadian Lynx- 8 people at a time.

Animal Encounters: \$75.00 each

- Otter training experience- 15 people
- Alligator feeding demo- 6 people (May- August)
- Tortoise feeding experience- 6 people (May-August)

- **Tour/ Encounter Times:** 10:30 am or 2 pm (lynx, tiger or penguin); 11:30am or 1 pm (rhino) bet. 11:30 am- 1:30 pm (otter training); bet. 11-11:30 am (tortoise feeding); between 11am-1pm- alligator feeding demo

- Tours should be requested by phone or email at least 2 weeks in advance as they must go to the Zoo Director for approval. We can only accommodate one tour a week so call to schedule early if interested!

- **Behind the Scene Tours must be paid for in advance.**

- The maximum number of participants is 30 for behind the scene tours. **ADMISSION FEES ARE IN ADDITION TO THE TOUR FEES** if group is staying for the day. Education groups of 15 or more receive a discounted fee.

- Photography is restricted to certain areas (no tiger or lynx behind the scenes). Please follow the guidance of the tour guide when taking photographs.



If you are interested in scheduling a tour for your group, please call Kim in the Education Department at (814) 864-4091 x 247 or email kbowes@eriezoo.org

