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KOALA EXPERIENCES



OCEAN TO OUTBACK

VALENTE EDUCATION CENTRE

VISITOR CENTRE
(Entry / Exit)



PARK MAP



Welcome to Cleland Wildlife Park

With so much to see and do, why not take a few minutes to plan your visit? Cleland Wildlife Park is home to over 130 species of native animals, from venomous snakes to kangaroos, koalas and a variety of birdlife. Due to the nature of the park, some animals may not be out and about today – like our Yellow-footed Rock-wallabies who sometimes hide in their rocky outcrops. But don't worry, there will be plenty of other animals to see and interact with. You can also enjoy our spacious café, gas barbecues in the carpark, picnic tables throughout the park and the souvenir shop.

How much time do you have?

Cleland is bigger than you may expect, which gives you the freedom to either spend the day, or just a few hours here. In fact, Cleland is over 35 hectares and walking the entire area of the park at a brisk pace will take approximately two hours - longer if you wish to stop and feed animals or attend an interactive keeper presentation.

Safety and wildlife

One of the unique features of the park is the open spaces and very few animal enclosures. This means you can get up close to many of the animals, and get some great photos.

By moving slowly and quietly around the park you will get the chance to see many of our animals. Please remember to respect the health and wellbeing of the animals by never making them feel threatened (by surrounding or poking them, for example). This means you are more likely to experience some truly memorable encounters.

Be aware that all wildlife have the potential to carry diseases, so washing your hands thoroughly is essential.

Something special

Cleland offers a range of opportunities to get close to some of South Australia's most iconic wildlife and the keepers who care for them.

Koala Experiences

Is koala fur soft? Are their claws sharp? How much do they eat?

If you have ever wanted to know more about the koala, why not join one of our koala experiences? Cleland offers you the unique opportunity to hold a koala, meet their keeper and have your photo taken at the same time! *Please note that an additional fee and conditions apply for this service.*

Alternatively, you can attend our free koala close-up experience where you can meet, touch and photograph some of the park's friendliest residents in the koala experience area.

Session times

Koala Hold Experience

Daily 2.00 pm - 3.30 pm
Additional session: 11.00 am - 12.00 pm
(Sundays and public holidays)

Koala Close-up Experience

Daily 11.00 am - 12.00 pm
2.00 pm - 4.00 pm

Reptile Hold Experience

Daily 12.00 pm - 1.00 pm

Please note the koala experience will not be held when temperatures are forecast 32 C and above at Mount Barker. As an alternative, keepers will provide an informative talk at the Robins Loft. Please speak to the admissions staff for more information.

Opening times

Cleland Wildlife Park is open daily
(except Christmas Day)
from 9.30 am - 5.00 pm

Please note there is no admission after 4.30 pm

Interactive keeper presentations

Informative interactive keeper presentations which coincide with feeding time are a great way to learn more about the park's animals, and one of the best times to see the animals in action.

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| Lorikeets | 12.30 pm |
| <i>(please note this is feeding only)</i> | |
| Tasmanian devils | 2.00 pm |
| Dingoes | 2.30 pm |
| Pelicans/waterfowl | 3.00 pm |
| Forest aviary | 3.15 pm |
| Snakes and Reptiles | 1.30 pm |
| <i>(Sundays only)</i> | |

Feeding the animals

Pick up a bag of animal food from the admissions counter when you arrive. It is the best way to get up close to the kangaroos, emus, wallabies, potoroos and waterfowl as you make your way around the park.

Ocean to Outback Interpretive Centre

Get a unique glimpse into the diversity of South Australia's ecosystems. Find out how the reptiles, small mammals, nocturnal animals and insects survive in South Australia's different environments, and how you can help to conserve their future.

Weather

The park is open daily rain or shine (except Christmas Day or on days forecast with a catastrophic fire danger rating), and animals at Cleland are well adapted to the conditions of the Mount Lofty Ranges.

During very hot weather look carefully into the cool, shady spots to spy the animals avoiding the worst of the day's heat. During winter enjoy a cup of coffee around our warm fire in the café.

Visitors with disabilities

Disabled facilities, wheelchair hire and wheelchair accessible paths are available at Cleland. Please speak to a member of staff.

Food and drink

In addition to the gas barbecues in the carpark, we also have a spacious café and a number of picnic areas throughout the park.

Smoking

Cleland provides two designated smoking areas (see map).

Continue your experience

- Connect with us on Facebook
- Purchase a Cleland Wildcard
- Look out for our School Holiday Programs
- Have your next birthday party or function here
- See what happens after dark on a NightWalk

Visit www.cleland.sa.gov.au or call (08) 8339 2444 for more information.

