



# DURRELL WILDLIFE CONSERVATION TRUST

## BEHIND THE SCENES TOURS

- This tour will offer a number of opportunities to speak to different members of staff at various enclosures.
- At least one opportunity to visit an area that is normally out of bounds to the public.
- An opportunity to visit a 'non-animal' department.
- *At least one 'experience' to prepare an animal feed; get up close to an animal or enter an enclosure (at all times with a keeper); and/or gain access to an area that would not normally be part of a tour (i.e. the gorilla or orang-utan kitchen).*
- Tea/coffee breaks are included.
- The chance to spend time with a volunteer guide where you can discover more about the public areas of the site.



### *Expectations*

Staff will take measures to ensure that unrealistic expectations are not fostered. Although we do offer hands-on contact with the animals, we strive to mirror the animals' natural environment as much as possible to allow them to remain wild. Therefore the contact is presented in a controlled manner in our Education Department, where a member of staff will introduce you to new species and give you the chance to handle them, if you're feeling brave.

A varied tour will be organised and an itinerary arranged, this will be received on arrival at the Visitor Centre and can also be kept as a reminder of your day.

If visitors would like to have a more tailor-made tour, this can be arranged, if given plenty of notice.

### *Minimum Notice*

As a rule, behind the scenes tours should be arranged with no less than [four weeks](#) prior notice to the date of the tour. Also participants should be made aware that the program is subject to change; however, steps will be taken to provide an acceptable alternative.



**Morning Tours (10.00 to 13.00)/ Afternoon Tours (14.00 to 17.00)**  
Cost: £75.00 per adult, £45.00 per child (12 yrs & above)

**Full Day Tour (10.00 to 17.00)**  
Cost: £120 per adult, £75 per child (12 years and above)

Costs include entrance fee which allows all day access to the park

**Smaller groups are preferred (a minimum of 2 people and a maximum of 4)**

**Alternatively, we can accommodate larger groups (a maximum of 10) with adequate notice**

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