



Chomp. Chomp!

Divide the Zoo by area.

Here's a map of five "islands of adventure" on the Milwaukee County Zoo grounds, directions to each area, and some highlights from Zoo Director Chuck Wikenhauser.

UPPER ZOO

Beautiful birds and fascinating fish. Great for rainy or snowy days.

Directions: Turn right when you exit the U.S. Bank Gathering Place and walk past the Flamingo Café Patio. Want to hear an animal heartbeat? Turn right down the path leading to the Animal Health Center, to the Holz Family Foundation Learning Zone. Return down the path and turn right to the Herb & Nada Mahler Family Aviary. See ducks, hornbills, free-flying birds and highly endangered birds. From the aviary turn right and walk by Macaque Island on your way to the Aquatic & Reptile Center (inside you'll see frisky fish and flashy frogs). Exit, go right and walk to the Small Mammals Building (otters, meerkats, bats and more).



PRIMATES AND APES

A whole lot of fun packed into one big building. Great for rainy or snowy days.

Directions: Go straight ahead when you exit the U.S. Bank Gathering Place onto the walkway next to the Humboldt penguins. Follow the covered walkway into the Peck Welcome Center. Turn left inside to get to the Stearns Family Apes of Africa (gorillas and bonobos) and continue on to get to Primates of the World (monkeys, siamangs and orangutans).



Zoo Director Chuck Wikenhauser visits a cow and a Zoo staffer in the farm.

NORTHWESTERN MUTUAL FAMILY FARM

Hands-on fun and interactive exhibits. Best bet in summer for kids. Kids can feed goats, pet chickens and scramble in play areas. In winter? Watch the cows being milked (indoors).

Directions: Veer left when you exit the U.S. Bank Gathering Place and head down the hill under the train trestle. Turn left into the farm.



MIDDLE ZOO

Big, big, big! From big cats to huge hippos, this area has great variety. Get nearly nose to nose with lions and other cats in their indoor exhibits. From outdoors you can watch elephants, hippos, rhinos, snow leopards, camels, and more. The giraffe exhibit offers outdoor feeding in summer (for a fee) and a great indoor stop in winter. It's up-close time with the giraffes - they're not behind glass!

LOWER ZOO

Great for pleasant days when you want to stroll - all seasons.
In winter, this is a good place to see North American animals outdoors.

Directions: Veer left as you exit the U.S. Bank Gathering Place, and head down the hill under the train trestle. Continue up the hill to the Holz Family Impala Country and turn left. Go past hippos, elephants and giraffes to Wolf Woods. **In winter**, stop in this lodge to warm up and view the wolves through huge glass windows. If you exit Wolf Woods and turn left, you'll go past the moose yard to Lake Evinrude. Watch geese, ducks and a trumpeter swan pair. If you face Lake Evinrude and go to the right, you'll find the grizzly and black bears, elk and caribou-reindeer exhibits. Behind you as you face Lake Evinrude are the polar bears and harbor seals. If you face Lake Evinrude and turn to the left, you'll circle around past the moose to Dall sheep mountain, the Alaskan brown bears and then the Australia Building (kangaroos, emus and an aquarium).



Area Tour



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