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## After Dark Tours of Naples Zoo! Wilder experiences - milder prices

Naples, FL - *Night Eyes* After Dark Tours with night vision scopes are back for their eighth season at Naples Zoo and they're better than ever! After the light of day fades, a small group of 20 guests is personally guided through the darkness by Zoo Director David Tetzlaff and staff into the tropical jungle filled with endangered species like Malayan tigers and Malagasy fosas. Along the way, participants will have personal animal encounters, interact with natural artifacts, engage in behind-the-scenes experiences, and cruise through islands of monkeys, lemurs, & apes. Using night vision technology, participants see the nocturnal activities of rare animals.

**New! Stories Around the Campfire** David Tetzlaff, son of Zoo Founders Jungle Larry and Safari Jane, will tell stories around a campfire where guests will also meet animals up close.

**New! Tour the Reptile Room and Touch a Venomous Snake - Safely** That's right. It may be a Eastern diamondback rattlesnake, Cottonmouth moccasin, Southern copperhead, or Timber rattler and all participants will be able to say they've touched one. The snake will be comfortably resting in an acrylic tube that is used during regular health monitoring. Ophidiophobes don't have to participate if they don't want to, but it's a rare and absolutely thrilling experience for those who do.

**New! Go Backstage with Both the Laughing Hyenas & King of Beasts** Step through the gates into the animal care areas to feel the gaze of the hyenas as they approach out of the darkness. And nothing compares with being steps away from African lions on a moonless night.

**New! Lower Price** Cost per person is now just \$59.95 for Naples Zoo members and \$69.95 for non-members. A very limited number of Night Eyes Tours are offered each season. Guests MUST be strong walkers in good health and sign a release form. Because of the nature of this experience, participants must be at least 17 and all 17-year-olds must be accompanied by an adult.

**[www.napleszoo.org/night](http://www.napleszoo.org/night)**  
for more info, tour dates, and to purchase tickets.

**Book Early!** Featured in *The New York Times* & regional publications, tours typically sell out. Naples Zoo is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization cooperating in conservation programs both in and outside the wild for endangered species. Annual memberships and discount tickets are also available online at [www.napleszoo.org](http://www.napleszoo.org). Naples Zoo is located at 1590 Goodlette-Frank Road across from the Coastland Center mall. To learn more, visit the website or call (239) 262-5409.

High resolution images simulating night vision scope view available at [www.napleszoo.org/press](http://www.napleszoo.org/press)

