My Visit to Reptilia

A visual story

Read it together before your visit, and bring it along on the day.

FOR GROWN-UPS

Read this story with your child a few days before your visit and again on the day. It shows what will happen, step by step, so the visit feels familiar. Every visit is a little different, and that's okay.

Helpful to know

- **Quietest times:** Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, 10am to 12pm during the school year.
- **Busier and louder:** Weekends, holidays and camp weeks (March Break, Christmas break, summer).
- **Louder spots:** The theatre, Nile crocodile feedings, the indoor playground and birthday parties.
- **Need a break?** Ask about a quiet room. Let us know ahead if you can, since rooms may be booked.
- **Coming back in:** You can leave and come back the same day. Just keep your receipt.
- **Inside the zoo:** Warm (23 to 25°C) and mostly dim, with some very bright exhibits.
- **Support:** We accept the Access 2 Card. Service animals with documentation are welcome (not in the theatre).



Today I am going to Reptilia. Reptilia is an indoor zoo full of reptiles like snakes, turtles, lizards and crocodiles.



First, we go to the front desk and show our tickets. There might be other people waiting in line. I can wait with my grown-up.

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I walk around and look at the reptiles. They live behind glass, so they are safe and I am safe. Some are sleeping, and some are moving.

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Did you know…?

A keeper is talking about the animals

Sometimes a keeper talks to a group about the animals. It might get busy or loud. I can stay and listen, or I can keep walking.

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There is an indoor playground. It can be loud with lots of kids playing. I can choose to play there, or I can skip it.

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Break time

If I feel tired, upset or it is too noisy, I can tell my grown-up. We can take a break, ask for a quiet room, or go outside for a while.



When we are finished, I say goodbye to the reptiles and we go home. I can come back and visit them again another day.

Things that help me

- ☐ Headphones or earplugs
- ☐ A favourite comfort item
- ☐ Light layers (it's warm inside)
- ☐ This story

My favourite reptile today: _____

Draw your favourite reptile!