

PICNIC PACKAGES

Every day the Houston Zoo manages a herd of 6,000 exotic animal species — so just imagine what we can do for your employees. Our picnic packages are completely turn-key, guaranteeing a hassle-free experience for you.

As a non-profit, charitable organization, every special event, large or small, supports the Zoo's mission. By hosting your special event at the Houston Zoo, you are providing a fun, unique, and inspirational experience while fostering appreciation, knowledge, and care for the natural world.

MENU SELECTIONS FOR YOUR PICNIC CAN INCLUDE ONE OF THESE THREE CHOICES:

AMERICAN GRILL \$31.95 per adult/ \$26.95 per child (under the age of 12) Grilled Hamburgers | All Beef Hot Dogs | Kettle Chips | Ranchero Beans | Palm Oil Free Cookies Served with Buns, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Pickles, Onions, Cheese, Condiments

TEXAS FAJITAS \$33.95 per adult/ \$28.95 per child (under the age of 12) Citrus Marinated Chicken Breast | Ancho Rubbed Skirt Steak | Sautéed Peppers & Onions Cilantro Rice | Refried Beans | Palm Oil Free Cookies Served with Tortillas, Sour Cream, Monterey Jack Cheese, Pico De Gallo, Guacamole, Jalapenos

SMOKEHOUSE BBQ \$40.95 per adult/ \$35.95 per child (under the age of 12) Smoked Pulled Pork | Smoked Brisket | Coleslaw | Ranchero Beans | Palm Oil Free Cookies Served with Texas Toast, Onions, Jalapenos, BBQ Sauce

All of the above include compostable utensils and serveware which help save animals in the wild. Picnic package prices along with any additional food or beverage items are subject to a 20% staffing charge as well as 8.25% tax



PRICES INCLUDE:

- ADMISSION TO THE ZOO
- USE OF PICNIC AREA FOR 3 HOURS with a choice of two seating times (10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. or 2:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.)
- SEATING FOR 150 IN A COVERED AREA additional seating available at extra cost
- TWO HOUR BEVERAGE SERVICE FEATURING COCA-COLA SOFT DRINKS AND WATER
- ONE AND A HALF HOUR BUFFET-STYLE FOOD SERVICE
- COMPOSTABLE UTENSILS AND SERVEWARE

TERMS & CONDITIONS:

- A minimum guarantee of 100 guests is required for the picnic spaces. Ask us about other available options if your group is smaller than 100 or exceeds 2,000 guests.
- Additional seating is available for an additional fee upon request.
- A signed contract and a 50% deposit (which will be credited toward your final bill) must be received by the Special Events Department in order to reserve a date. A final, guaranteed guest count must be provided at least 7 business days before the event. Your bill will be based on the final guarantee, and final payment is due 5 days prior to your event. Your final count allows us to prepare the proper amount of food and beverage for your guests.
- The menu cost per guest will increase by 50% for guest count increases after 7 business days.
- All food and beverages are available through our on-site caterer only.

WHY CHOOSE THE HOUSTON ZOO?

"The entire experience from planning to execution was such a pleasure. We had so much fun the day of the event. I truly believe this is because the expert planning and organization provided by Zoo staff." - Michelle Thompson, Balfour Beatty Construction "We hosted our 14th annual family reunion cookout at the Zoo. We had the Texas style BBQ. The food was amazing! The staff and service were kind and friendly and very helpful from beginning to end. I would without hesitation host an event here again!" – Jaqueline Camphor "The Houston Zoo is the ideal place for our company picnic. It is centrally located with an abundance of activities for all-day fun. The staff and event coordinators are professional, courteous, and helpful. I am 110% satisfied." - Claire Groff, Burns and McDonnell

Thank you for considering the Houston Zoo for your corporate outing! The Houston Zoo offers an array of unique venue spaces. To view additional options,visit:

WWW.HOUSTONZOO.ORG/EVENTS

Questions? Please call 713-533-6833

ADDITIONAL MENU OPTIONS

Grilled Chicken Breast	\$3.75 per person	Fresh Fruit Salad Bowl	\$2.75 per person
Veggie Burgers	\$3.75 per person	Watermelon Slices	\$2.75 per person
Potato Salad	\$2.75 per person	Fudge Brownies	\$2.75 per brownie
Cole Slaw	\$2.75 per person	Warm Seasonal Fruit Cobbler	\$3.00 per person
Sweet Corn on the Cob	\$2.75 per person	Ice Cream Sandwiches and	\$2.00 per item
Homemade Macaroni and Cheese	\$2.75 per person	Assorted Ice Pops	
		Cotton Candy	\$2.75 per cotton candy
Potato Chips	\$1.75 per person	Snow Cone Station*	\$3.00 per snow cone
Popcorn	\$2.75 per popcorn	*Snow Cone Station requires an attendant for \$125.00	
Chips and Queso	\$3.00 per person	Additional Hour of Soda/Water	\$2.00 per person

ALL-DAY DRINK WRISTBAND \$6.95 – Perfect for Event Guests Who Plan to Explore the Zoo. Includes Hot Beverages & Fountain Sodas.

PRE-FILLED REUSABLE WATER BOTTLE \$6.95 – Help Us Save the Environment by Using Our Refillable Water Bottle. Water Fill Stations are Located Throughout the Zoo.

-- BAR PRICING --

DOMESTIC KEG BEER:

Bud, Bud Light, Michelob Ultra, Land Shark

PREMIUM KEG BEER:

IMPORT: Pacifico, Modelo Especial, Bass Ale MICROBREW: Karbach, St. Arnold

WINE

Trinity Oaks by Trinchero Family Estates Chardonnay and Cabernet Sauvignon

MARGARITA MACHINE

BARTENDER FEE

\$300.00 per 1/2 barrel keg About 144 drinks \$375.00 per 1/2 barrel keg About 144 drinks

\$18.00 per bottle (about 5 glasses) Minimum order of 10 bottles required

\$415.00, \$250.00 per refill About 64 drinks

\$160.00 per bartender

HOUSTON ZOO CATERIN

Hosted and cash bars are also available. Prices are available upon request. All prices for bar do not include tax or service charge. All of the above include compostable utensils and serveware which help save animals in the wild. Picnic package prices along with any additional food or beverage items are subject to a 20% staffing charge as well as 8.25% tax.

EVENT ADDITIONS

ANIMAL AMBASSADOR PRESENTATION

One hour (up to four animals)

This educational experience includes a zoo keeper bringing small animals to your event space to interact with guests. Guests will learn about the importance of the animals and their habitats, and have the opportunity to take photos with the various ambassadors. This encounter is limited to weather conditions and must be approved at least two weeks prior to the event.

ENTERTAINMENT

FACE PAINTER One Painter (two hours)	\$350.00
AIRBRUSH TATTOO ARTIST One Artist (two hours)	\$450.00
TEXAS DIRECT AUTO WILDLIFE CAROUSEL TICKETS	\$2.00 each
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CARICATURE One Artist (two hours) Six drawings per hour – recommended for smaller groups	\$450.00

PRICES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST FOR THE FOLLOWING:

DJ | Green Screen Photos | Photo Booth | Craft Table | Magician | Fortune Teller

\$500.00

EVENT ENHANCEMENTS

HOUSTON ZOO SCAVENGER HUNT Send your guests on an exciting self-guided tour through the Houston Zoo as they search for fun facts found on exhibit signage. Create teams and time limits to foster friendly competition among your group!	\$100.00
PARTY FAVORS	
SOUVENIR CONSERVATION WRISTBAND Help distinguish your group from the crowd and make a direct donation to the Wildlife Warrior Program, saving animals in the wild.	\$2.00 each
EQUIPMENT	
PORT-A-COOLER One Outdoor Fan	\$200.00
PORTABLE SOUND SYSTEM Includes 1 Speaker, 1 Microphone, MP3 Capability Additional Speaker — \$100, Additional Microphone — \$30	\$150.00
POP-UP TENT 10' x 10' Size	\$50.00 each
TABLES 48" Round \$10 each60" Round \$12 each8' Rectangle \$10 each	
CHAIR (WHITE RESIN)	\$3.50 each
REUSABLE PLASTIC TABLE COVERS	\$4.50 each