

Section 4: Asian and other animals

The final section of the drive-thru is home to the Asian animals. You'll notice camels, antelope and some very special deer.

Fast facts

Bactrian Camel

- A Bactrian camels can drink a bathtub of water in just 15 minutes!
- They have 2 humps that are used for storing fat (not water)
- Their long eyelashes help protect them from the desert sand



Nilgai

- A large antelope with a white tuft of hair on its throat
- Females have white socks and males have short, stubby horns
- Females are brown and the males are a bluish-grey colour

Père David's Deer

- Scruffy deer with a brown coat and a long horse-like face
- Males have long branched antlers that point backwards
- Originally from China but became extinct in the wild nearly 100 years ago



Did you know?

The Pere David's Deer is the rarest animal in the park and spends most of its time in a mud wallow to regulate its body temperature and protect itself from parasites.



Axis Deer

- A pretty deer with a fawn coat and white spots
- Has very obvious black 'eyebrows'
- Males are usually darker than females

Persian Fallow Deer

- Both our Persian Fallows are stags
- They also have fawn coats with white spots but are larger than the Axis deer
- A very rare species that's nearly extinct in the wild



Eld's Deer

- A small, graceful deer with a light brown coat
- Their specially adapted hooves help them move in boggy ground
- Also known as the brow-antlered deer



Bison

- Bison are the largest mammals in North America
- They are often referred to as buffalo
- Bison tails reveal their mood: a tail hanging down indicates calmness, while an upright tail may signal readiness to charge

Whilst driving through the animal reserves, ensure your windows and doors are kept closed at all times. If animals come close to your vehicle, do not panic, just move away slowly. Motorbikes are not permitted in the drive-thru reserves for safety reasons. Soft top vehicles are not permitted in the lion and macaque reserves. You enter the animal reserves at your own risk; we cannot be held liable for any damage to your vehicle.

In the event of a breakdown, DO NOT leave your vehicle.
Sound your horn, put on your hazard lights and phone 01786 841 456.

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DRIVE-THRU RESERVES

Take your own vehicles through our animal reserves on the ultimate safari adventure. It's best to allow at least 30 minutes for the drive-thru reserves, which are divided into four sections. Here's a quick guide to the animals you'll see in each section.

Section 1: African animals

The animals in the first section of the drive-thru are all native to Africa. The most recognisable animal is the southern white rhino, but this section is also home to three different species of antelope, as well as Ankole cattle.

Fast facts

White Rhino

- The rhino has poor eyesight but a great sense of smell
- Rhinos are herbivores and eat grass, stems and branches
- Despite their size, rhinos can reach top speeds of 28 mph!



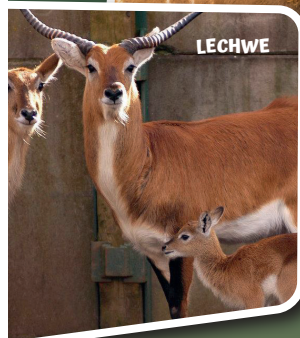
Greater Kudu

- A large antelope with white camouflage stripes across its back
- The males have spectacular spiralled horns
- They can easily jump a height of 2 metres!



Eland

- The largest (and slowest) African antelope
- Like the Kudu has white stripes but less obvious
- Distinctive black patches on the back of the knees



Lechwe

- Our smallest antelope with a reddish-brown coat and white belly
- They are excellent swimmers
- If startled a Lechwe will completely submerge itself in water to hide

Ankole cattle

- Breed of domestic cattle with enormous horns
- The male's horns face forward and the female's curve upward
- Their horns can grow up to 6 foot long!



Section 2: Lions

The second part of the reserve is home to our pride of African lions. For obvious reasons, the lions have their own separate section to roam around in! They love to sun-bathe and sleep on the lookout platforms, and you might see the younger lions playing.

Lion fast facts

- Lions live in a family group called a pride
- They're carnivores and only eat meat
- A lion's roar can be heard from 5 miles away
- Lions are the only cats who roar together
- Lions spend up to 20 hours a day asleep!



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CAN YOU ROAR
LIKE A LION?

Section 3: The macaque reserve

The Barbary Macaque is the only species of macaque with populations outside Asia, and can be found in Algeria, Morocco and Gibraltar. Our macaques are very playful and inquisitive, so they might jump up on your car. But they also have very sharp teeth, so make sure you keep all your windows firmly closed!

Barbary Macaque fast facts

- The Barbary Macaque is a species of monkey
- Macaques do have tails, they're just very small
- A macaque's cheek pouches can hold as much food as its stomach!



PLEASE DON'T
FEED THE
MACAQUES

WE LIKE JUMPING ON CARS.
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