

Teacher's Book

Libro del Profesor

Learn how to be a tour guide!

Descubre cómo ser el guía!

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I. Recommendations for your visit

1. Organise your visit before arriving at Loro Parque by contacting our Commercial Department: [+34 922 373 841 – Ext.: 284; comercial2@loroparque.com](mailto:comercial2@loroparque.com)
2. Bearing in mind the park's entrance and exit times, plan the route you will take with the group and the shows and stops (breakfast, lunch) expected. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact the Education Department ([+34 922 373 841 – Ext.:363 / 257; auladelmar@loroparque-fundacion.org](mailto:auladelmar@loroparque-fundacion.org) or educacion@loroparque-fundacion.org), they'll be delighted to help you!
3. It is recommended to pay via bank transfer, as payment at the box office may be subject to delays. Keep in mind that there will be other people entering the park at the same time!
4. If you have any questions, please go to the **Information Point** at the entrance. When you cross the Koi carp bridge, the staff taking pictures will provide you with a map of the park.
5. Carry all your possessions with you. Loro Parque does not have lockers or storage facilities, and the staff at the park cannot store personal belongings.
6. We recommend that students line up in pairs, wearing yellow Loro Parque hats or any other badge (T-shirt, cap, backpack...), and walk along one side of the path, not occupying the whole path. Bear in mind that the paths in the park are quite narrow and there are many visitors, so it's easy for students to get lost.
7. In the park's enclosed areas (Planet Penguin, Aquaviva, Natura Vision, Animal Embassy and Aquarium), no running or shouting is allowed.
8. Do not use flash when taking pictures, as it disturbs the animals.

Some tips for the presentations:

1. You must arrive at the site **15 min** before the start of the show, **seats cannot be reserved!**
2. No smoking, eating, or drinking in the premises, please wait until you get to the designated areas on the map!
3. During the birds' free flight, do not stand up or raise your hands, you will frighten the parrots and may get hurt!
4. Wait until the exhibit hall is empty before leaving. Depending on the season, it may take a few minutes.

Show	Hours		Duration
Sea Lions	09,35h 14,15h	12,30h 15,30h 16,55h	15 min*
Loro Show	10,25h 13,30h 16,00h	11,50h 15,00h 17,30h	
Dolphins	11,00h 14,45h	13,15h 16,00h	
Orcas	11,45h	14,00h	
*Entering and leaving the premises can take 15 minutes each.			



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- II SELF SERVICE "CHOZA DE LOS DUQUES"
- V GRILL & BAR "PATIO DEL LORO"
- VII CAFE-BAR "EL PUENTE"

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III. Animals

5 Gorillas

Loro Parque is home to 7 gorillas that are part of an EEP (European Endangered Species Programme), so they are all **male**!

Between the windows of the facility there is a large board with information about this species, and about the gorillas that live here! If they look at the pictures, they can try to identify them.



Move your group closer to the window. If it's crowded, move towards the Penguinarium, and you'll find a spacious viewing platform from which you can observe the gorillas.

Nöel, one of our gorillas, is almost always at the left window of the enclosure. Since he doesn't like the noise, he may approach the group beating his chest and making a very loud sound, so don't be scared!

6 Penguins

This Penguinarium is the largest in the world, with 5 species of penguins in two separate facilities.

Place your group in one of the windows of the first exhibit, so that other visitors can also enjoy the **Humboldt Penguins** exhibition. Ask the group if they notice anything unusual about the exhibit so that they respond that there is no ice. You can then tell them that not all penguins live on ice, and some prefer warmer temperatures.



When you move on to the second installation, feel the ice walls, get on the treadmill, and let yourself be carried away. If you look at the top of the glass, you can learn to distinguish the 4 species that live here: **king, chinstrap, rockhopper** and **gentoo**.





Depending on the time of year, the Antarctic facility changes its **environmental** conditions just like in nature: warmer and lighter in its warm season (our winter), and darker and cooler in the cold season (our summer).

In the next installation are the **Atlantic puffins**, which although they resemble penguins in their colours, they are not!

When they are young their face is black, and as they grow up it gets lighter until they become adults.

Carefully walk down the ramp as you look at the cylinder - it's very dark! When you get to the bottom, stand in front of the aquarium and look down at the surface of the water. If you're lucky, you will see the Humboldt Penguins swimming!

8 Marmosets and tamarins

Loro Parque has 4 facilities where different species of marmosets and tamarins live.

Although their size may not suggest it, they are all **adult** specimens and are highly endangered due to pet trafficking and habitat loss.

Move your group closer to the window of any of the enclosures. They are so fast, let's see if they can count how many individuals there are!



9 Anteaters, capybaras and coatis

All these mammals are very curious and perfectly coexist alongside each other on a large sloping terrace, where each has its own favourite spot!

The enclosure can be viewed from the lower part (where you will also see the **Amazon fish**), from the side climb or from the viewing platform at the top of the enclosure.

Anteaters often wander around the enclosure and love to visit the termite mounds, as the keepers hide their food there. Can you see their long tongues?





If you are at the bottom of the enclosure, stick to the sea lions' railing, so that you can see the whole enclosure!

Capybaras are very quiet, and usually stay in the upper part of the enclosure eating or resting.

Coatis, on the other hand, love to roam around the enclosure!

10 Chimpanzees

Loro Parque is home to a family of 9 chimpanzees from an EEP (European Endangered Species Programme), which collects population data on all individuals of this species living in European zoos.



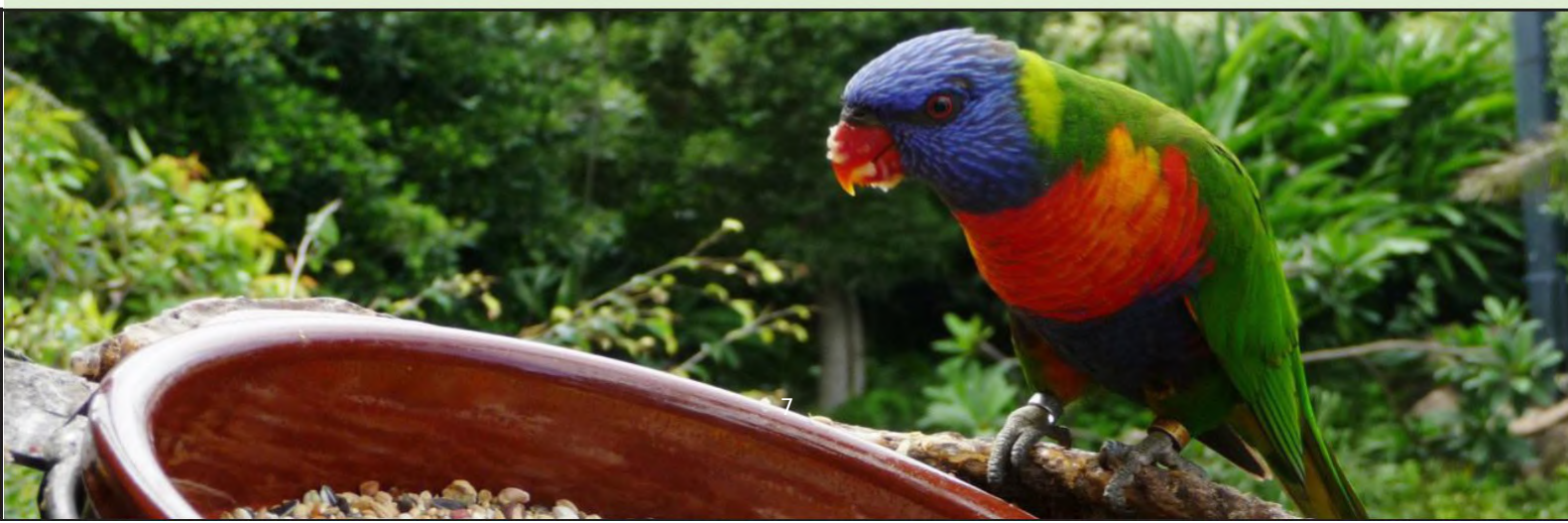
Between the windows of the facility there are several boards with information about this species, and about the individuals living here! Take a look at the pictures to see if you can identify them.

Happy and **Garoé** are the youngest members of the group, can you find them? They are with their mothers or playing with the family!

11 Katandra Treetops

Australian Aboriginal people call birdsong **Katandra**, and the Treetops are the highest part of the trees where birds live.

In this exhibition you can climb up to the treetops on a one-way walk and discover the many birds that live here - they come in all colours!



It is a one-way walk and has a suspension bridge, so watch out for those who don't like heights! You will see many feeders and birds up close, but if you try to touch them, they will fly away!



12 Macaw Aviary

It is a huge enclosure with lush vegetation and a waterfall, similar to the jungles of South America, where different species of **macaws** live - check out all their colours!



You will also see two **great curassow**, very tall turkey-like birds. The males are black, while the females are reddish in colour.

13 Jungle Ara

It is the oldest area of Loro Parque, and among its abundant vegetation you will find **figus**, ivy, palm trees and many other tree species - a real oasis!

Along the park's route you will find different species of parrots, and will be able to take a closer look at them! Note how big the trees are, it's like being in the jungle!



14 Lions

Lion's Kingdom is home to 3 Angolan lions: **Simba**, **Malika** and **Sarabi**, and has everything they need: bushes, a small river that leads to a lake, and even a promontory rock, where they love to lounge in the sun!

Place the group along one or two of the windows so that everyone can see the lions and try not to block the path - it's a busy spot! You may find them sleeping, that's what they like to do best! Did you know that they sleep more than 12 hours a day?



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Meerkats

These adorable animals live opposite the lions in a facility where they can dig, sunbathe, and play to their heart's content. They even have elevated spots so they can see what's going on around them, like a **sentinel**!

If you don't see them, don't get impatient and wait a few seconds - they're sure to come out of their burrow or from behind the bushes!



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Spurred tortoises

These land tortoises are the third largest in the world and can weigh up to 100 kg!

Look closely at the back of the tortoises. See those spikes? That's where they get their name: that's their **spurs**!



18 Flamingos

The flamingos at Loro Parque live in a large open facility with a lake where they can freshen up and forage for food.



Get your group around the enclosure and try to tell the difference between the two flamingo species - how hard is it? Look at the colour of the legs and the beak! The **Chilean flamingo's** legs are green, and its beak has a black tip, while the **Dwarf flamingo's** legs are pink and its beak is all dark.



20 Hippos

Loro Parque's new facility is home to two pygmy hippos: **Adela** and **Malela**. Although they look like babies, they are a different species from the common hippos!

Place your group in one of the installation's windows - if you're lucky you'll be able to watch them swim!



Lemurs

Although they may go unnoticed, these jumping lemurs live in front of the hippos in a large facility where they can play, jump, and sunbathe in the morning, when they like it best.

Although they may not look like it, they are primates just like gorillas and chimpanzees. Look at their hands and count their fingers, they have the same fingers as we do!



21 Jaguars

Gulliver and **Naya** are Loro Parque's jaguars. Gulliver has the usual colouring and Naya is black, so it's very easy to tell them apart! Although it doesn't seem so, their enclosure is full of places where they can hide, so you'll have to look hard for them!



Place your group at one of the windows and look high up in the trees and in the cave on the right - they love to rest there!

23 Red Pandas

Annapurna and **Posee** are the two female pandas living in this facility, which is unique in the world. As these animals inhabit relatively cold environments, several air-conditioned points have been installed to keep the enclosure at a suitable temperature for them even outdoors, so that they do not get too hot.

Stand along the railing of the enclosure and keep an eye on the treetops - they hide so well!



25 Terrarium

In the 4 terrarium installations you can see **blue-tongued** lizards, tortoises, and **armadillos**. Each camouflaged in its own environment!



27 Otters

Their facility has everything they could wish for: sand, logs, stones, river, and even a pond where you can watch them underwater! For a better swimming experience, they have **membranes** between their toes - look closely!

By midday they are usually sleeping inside the trunk, can you spot them?



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Giant tortoises

Although the enclosure is very large, these animals do not go unnoticed: they are the largest tortoises in the world!

The facility has enough shade and vegetation to keep them comfortable, and the keepers even bathe them every week.

They love to enjoy their peaceful life!

Tom lives together with Tomasa and Ronaldhina.

But who is who? Hint: Tom, who is much older, is much bigger!



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Tigers

Yangyu (male) and Linmao (female) live on Tiger Island and are the biggest cats in Loro Parque! Both are white with black stripes, and although they may seem easy to spot, they do have their own hiding places! So, you'll have to look hard for them.



Place your group along the railing so as not to block the way for visitors and be careful not to rest things on the border wall! They could fall into the water.

Just because these tigers are white does not mean they are albinos. If they were, they wouldn't have stripes!

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AquaViva

It is home to hundreds of jellyfish, which, arranged in 9 different tanks, float around displaying their shapes, colours, and fluorescence.

When you enter the site, you'll see several transparent tanks with baby jellyfish and a magnifying glass connected to a screen. Through it, you can see plankton, the jellyfish's main food!



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Mangrove



As well as hundreds of fish, this is home to blacktip sharks, whitetip sharks, two **Rhinas** (which are rather unusual sharks) and a zebra shark called **Udra**, which was the first shark to be born in Spain.

Place your group around the enclosure so that everyone can see these animals - can they tell who Udra is? Hint: Zebras may have stripes, but zebra sharks don't!

Zen Garden

This garden is not just any garden, it is a submerged garden! The **plants** (not algae) simulate, together with the rocks, an Asian landscape inhabited by hundreds of different fish. Look closely to spot them!

Some of the fish living here are **transparent**, you can even see their bones!!



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2-toed sloths

The main feature of these animals is how little and slowly they move. For this reason, their fur allows them to perfectly **camouflage** themselves in their environment so that no one can find them.



If they are not moving, you will have to look hard to spot them! Look for them at the back of the enclosure, they are usually clinging to the wall amongst the vegetation.

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Alligators

Guajara, **Anaga** and **Echeyde** live in this enclosure, 3 alligators who love spending the day basking in the sun or submerged in the water.

Visitors will be able to see how these animals swim alongside the turtles and fish they live with, thanks to the glass walls that surround the enclosure. Don't worry, they won't eat them!



36 Animal Embassy

This is the awareness and conservation area of Loro Parque. The tour passes through 5 cabins where you can observe and learn about the different aspects of running a modern zoo.



The second pavilion is **Max Planck**, a research centre for parrot intelligence. Here children can see how scientific research works - they are sure to be amazed!

The first cabin is the **Baby Station**. Here you can watch the chicks born here grow up. Line up your group so that everyone can move forward while looking at the different windows and facilities.



The next cabins are the laboratory, the examination room, the operating theatre, the X-ray room and the haematology laboratory.

The last cabin is the **Animal Embassy** pavilion, where a large map of the world is filled with red dots. These dots mark the projects that Loro Parque Fundación is carrying out all over the world, and if you click on any of the tablets, you will learn more about the selected project!

37 Aquarium

This facility features different aquatic systems where you can observe various ecosystems: from the Amazon to the Caribbean, the Canary Islands, Lake Tanganyika, or the reefs of the Pacific.

Stop and look at all the fish, can they count how many types there are?



You can sit on the side wooden benches without disturbing the visitors, so you can closely observe the inhabitants of this aquarium! How many types of sharks can you spot?



IV. Animals

For more information about any of the species living in Loro Parque, check out the posters in each facility. You can also find information in the following sources:

1. <http://www.iucnredlist.org>
2. <http://www.waza.org/en/zoo/choose-a-species>

And if you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact our Education Department through the following emails:

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or visit our web pages:

www.loroparque-fundacion.org

<http://www.loroparque.com/index.php/el-parque/prepara-tu-visita/colegios>

Our colleagues will be delighted to help you!