Celebration & In-Memory Giving

Chester Zoo is a registered charity, number 306077
Chester Zoo is lucky to be a treasured part of many people's lives.

We are very proud that there are those who wish to mark special events and remember loved ones here and we are keen to be able to provide an opportunity for our supporters to do this.

There is no charge to celebrate loved ones because we recognise that memories of Chester Zoo are often precious and very dear, but due to limited space and the time involved in making your experience special we do ask for donations towards our vital conservation work.

We recognise that this may be an emotional time, and you will be supported throughout the process to ensure that you and your family have all the necessary time and information to make a decision that is right for you.

Your donation will help us protect wildlife all over the world. As well as cherished memories, your loved one's legacy will include the knowledge that their love for the zoo is continuing to provide a much-needed lifeline for wildlife.

Giving Tree

Our Giving Tree is a beautiful way of preserving memories here at Chester Zoo. Supporters can choose to have a leaf engraved on our exquisitely-designed tree located at the heart of the zoo.

- Leaves are guaranteed to be in place for five years
- The cost of engraving and affixing the leaf to the tree is included
- We take care of full maintenance of the tree and leaves, including replacing leaves if they get damaged
- If the tree is taken down after five years to make way for other developments, the leaf will be returned to the donor providing up-to-date contact details are given to us
- Space on the leaves is limited so engraving will include messages of up to 80 characters (including spaces)
- From time to time the tree may need to be taken down for essential maintenance. We will do our best to contact you in advance of any such work if we have your contact details.
- Please allow six weeks from when you receive your acknowledgement for the leaf to be engraved
- You will be entitled to receive up to 4 complimentary tickets so you can see your leaf in person at a time convenient to you

We suggest a donation of £250 per leaf.

Ashes scattering

We are able to arrange for the scattering of ashes here at the zoo for those who feel a particularly special connection to the zoo.

Please note that there are some restrictions on where we are able to do this so it’s important that you speak to us about this. We need to be careful about the risk of contamination of animals or plants and so we have designated areas where we are able to scatter ashes.

Furthermore, it is important to note that the zoo is always changing as we continue to pursue our mission of preventing extinction and as such we are not able to guarantee that you will always have access to the same spot, nor that it will always look the same.

In order for us to ensure that we can arrange everything for you and your family to have a special experience we require notice of at least two full weeks to process your request. You will be entitled to receive up to 4 complimentary tickets for your party.

We suggest a minimum donation of £500 for arranging the scattering of ashes.
Thank you for your interest in supporting our vital conservation work through remembering a loved one here at Chester Zoo.

For generations we have worked tirelessly to protect wildlife and we will continue to do so with your support. From here in the UK to the plains of Kenya, from the mountains of Peru to the rainforests of Madagascar, we promise to use your donation wherever it is most needed to protect the precious wildlife we are fortunate to share our planet with.

Thank you for joining us on our mission of preventing extinction.

To discuss these options further please contact our Fundraising department
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