

Brookfield Zoo Community Tree Trim



**Saturday and Sunday,
November 21-22**

Celebrate the Holidays, Care for Amazing Animals

Gather your family and friends, create unique ornaments, and decorate your tree during the zoo's Community Tree Trim weekend on November 21 and 22.

Tree Pricing

Trees

- **\$135** each if purchased **by check** (\$150 per tree after 10/23/09)
- **\$125** each if purchased **online** (\$150 per tree after 10/23/09)

Additional Admission and Parking Tickets

- General admission tickets: **\$6** each
- Parking tickets: **\$8** each

Commemorative Patches

- \$4 each



Community Tree Trim participants receive:

- A fully lit tree (no need to bring lights)
- Twenty (20) complimentary general admission passes*
- Five (5) complimentary parking passes*
- A sign featuring your town and the names of those who donated/decorated the tree
- Recognition at the zoo from November 23 to January 1

**Passes valid on Tree Trim days only. Additional tickets may be purchased at a discounted rate. All tickets are nonrefundable.*



Questions? Please e-mail Tree.Trim@CZS.org.

To order online or to learn more about Holiday Magic and other zoo events, go to www.CZS.org/Events.

Order Information

Please Place Your Order by: **Friday, October 23**

How To Order

Go online at: www.CZS.org/CommunityTreeTrim

Instructions on how to pay via check and credit card can be found online.

Passes

Each group will receive 20 complimentary general admission passes and five parking passes. You may purchase additional Tree Trim admission tickets at a discounted rate.

Additional tickets must be purchased in advance and are valid on Tree Trim weekend only. **Tickets purchased at the gate will be regular price. All tickets are nonrefundable.**

Order Confirmation and Print-at-Home Passes

For online orders (credit card), you will receive your passes immediately via a link in your order receipt. You will also receive a confirmation e-mail that includes your tree number and location within two weeks of your order date.

For check orders, you will receive a confirmation e-mail that contains your tree number and location, along with your passes, within two weeks of your order date.

Commemorative Patches

Everyone in your group will remember that special day at the zoo with this unique commemorative patch. Patches are available for pick-up at **Wildlife Trading Post** from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturday or Sunday, November 21 or 22. Shipping is available. Please call (708) 688-8685 for shipping charges or with questions regarding your order.

Please note that all tree reservations must be made by October 23.



Tree Decoration Guidelines

Please keep in mind the health and safety of the animals when constructing your ornaments.

Decorating Information

Ornament Durability

The ornaments need to withstand the elements of winter. Ornaments should be painted, varnished, shellacked, or laminated. Water-soluble glue (Elmer's) is NOT recommended. Please hang ornaments with string or yarn (no wire or pipe cleaners). Tie the ornaments on tight enough so they will not blow off, but not so tight that they are impossible for volunteers to remove. Be creative.

Ornament Size and Amount

Recommended size: 3" x 3" to 4" x 6"
Recommended amount: 200

Lights

Trees will be pre-lit. DO NOT add lights of your own.

Taking Ornaments Home

If your group would like to keep its ornaments, you can remove them January 1 to 8, 2010, during regular zoo hours (10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.). Ornaments left on the trees will be discarded.

Materials Recommended for Ornaments

- decorated Popsicle sticks
- laminated paper
- Styrofoam balls
- plastic needlepoint
- clothespins
- foil wrapped objects
- strung beads
- plastic soda can rings
- yarn
- fabric
- soda cans
- wood items
- plastic containers (film, margarine)
- plastic milk bottles

Materials NOT Allowed on Trees

- strung Styrofoam "peanuts"
- ornaments made of dough (even if varnished or shellacked)
- glass items or objects with jagged edges
- unlaminated paper
- tinsel (or icicles)
- straw
- **food items**
 - food on strings (popcorn, cereal, cranberries, pasta, etc.)
 - dog biscuits or other dry pet food
 - items containing bird seed (such as pine cones or ice cream cones dipped in peanut butter or suet)
 - candy canes
- anything valuable (Brookfield Zoo is not responsible for ornaments/decorations that are missing or stolen)

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