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EVENT INFORMATION

WELCOME

We're so excited to welcome you to the start line!

By signing up, you're doing more than taking on an unforgettable 5k. For every booking, we've donated a family pass to a community group of your choice, helping even more people enjoy a fantastic day out. Every step you take is helping spread the fun a little further!

If you wanted to get sponsorship for your run, with proceeds going towards the care of RZSS animals, you can start a JustGiving page. Find out more.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

ENTRY

The date of the event is Saturday 8 August 2026.

The doors open for this event at 6pm. The Highland Wildlife Park will be open on Saturday 8 August 10am – 5pm.

If you would like to attend during the day, please show our admissions team your running tickets for 10% off our on the day tickets. Not applicable to tickets purchased in advance.

We will be clearing visitors from the park at 5pm to set up for the run. Anyone who is staying on for the run will be required to relocate their vehicle to our designated car park (Learning Hive Car Park) and remain in this area until 6pm. You are also welcome to leave and return later.

CHECK-IN

The race will begin at 6:30pm, we suggest arriving no later than 6:15pm as the start line is a short walk from our Learning Hive car park.

We will be checking guests in at tables set up at the ticket desk cabins, here you will receive your running number. Please note, we are not using timing chips for this fun run.

Please note, 6:45pm is the latest time we will accept participants to run. We do not have lockers available, so would advise leaving any valuable items in your car.

Dogs are not permitted on site and should not be left inside cars.

The event will finish by 8pm.

T-SHIRTS

If you have pre-ordered a t-shirt, you can also collect this from here. You can also collect it after the race if you would prefer.

You can still pre-order your t-shirt here.

GETTING HERE

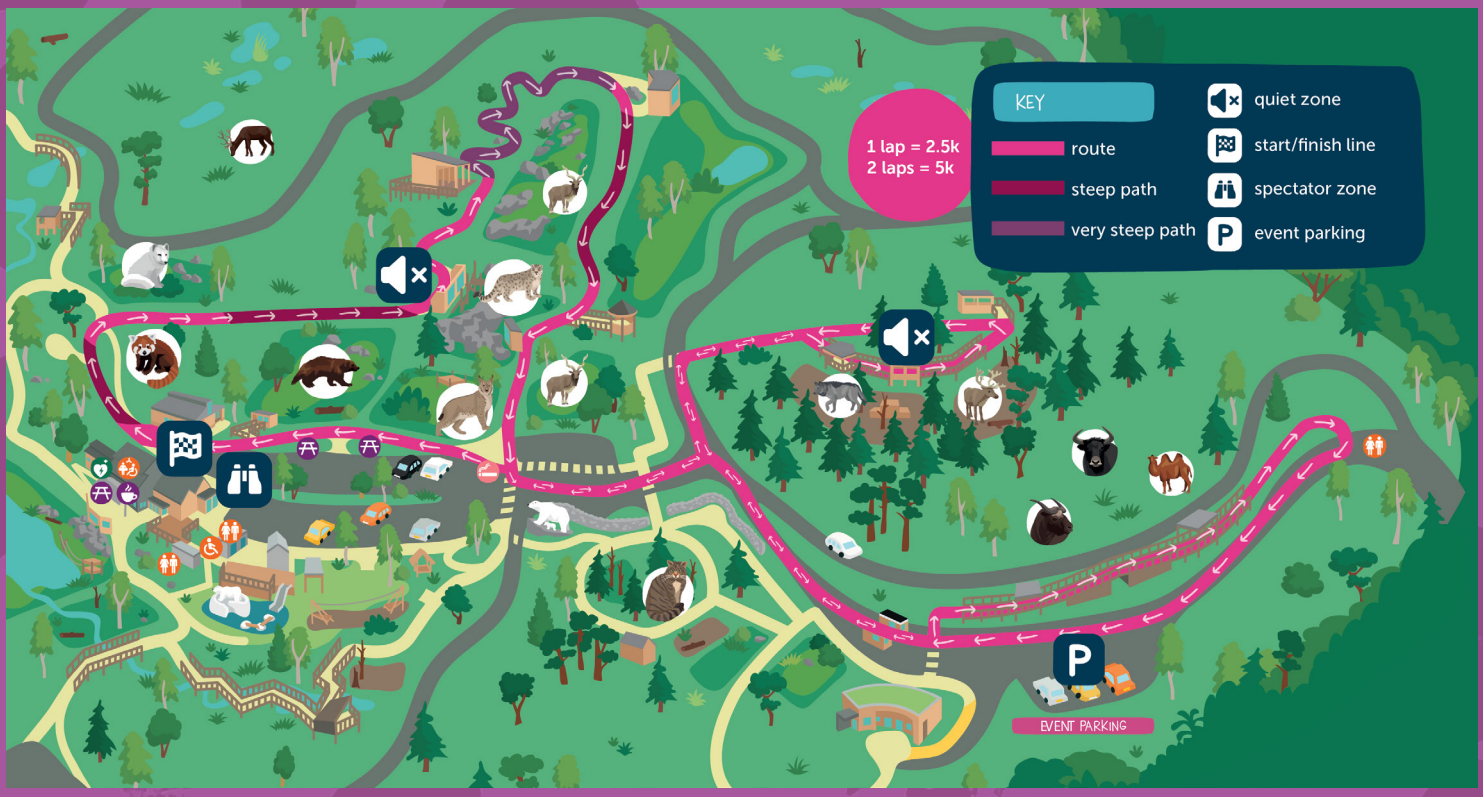
If travelling by car, the address for navigation is:

Highland Wildlife Park
Kincraig
Kingussie
PH21 1NL

For more information on options, visit our travel page.

Parking is free of charge. Please note, we do not have electric car charging points.

THE ROUTE



For those doing the 5k, it is 2 x laps of the above course. For those stopping at 2.5k, it is just one lap.

There will be water available at points on the run, with staff and volunteers situated throughout to help with anything you need. Toilets marked on the map will be open and available.

Highland Wildlife Park is set in a steep, rugged, and naturally sloping landscape within the Cairngorms National Park. The terrain transitions from an open, rolling drive-through moorland to hilly, forested walk-around paths with elevated viewpoints.

We would recommend trail running shoes if you have them, if not, comfortable and supportive trainers.

We will have first aiders on site to support any injuries on the day. The event will go ahead in rain. We would only cancel the event in extreme weather conditions and will be in touch with ticket holders via email should we make this decision.

SPECTATORS

Those joining to cheer you on are welcome! There is a £3 spectator fee that can be booked in advance. We will have a designated spectator zone. Please note, we will not be supplying designated seating for spectators.

FACILITIES

We will have two catering outlets open, managed by Kyn Catering. These will sell items such as sandwiches and snacks, as well as refreshments and sweet treats.

Payments preferred by card.

All runners are entitled for a free ice cream! Make sure not to miss out.

Our toilet facilities and changing places will all be open.

For any other queries, please contact events@rzss.org.uk.

We can't wait to see you then!