

A WEEK OF WILD WINTER FUN AT NORTHWEST TREK

Watch animals play with holiday-themed treats and let your kids get the wiggles out at Kids' Trek

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EATONVILLE, Wash.— Just in time to burn off some of that winter break energy, Northwest Trek Wildlife Park is opening daily for a week at the end of December (Dec. 26-Jan. 2) for the return of “Winter Wildland.” Guests to the wildlife park are invited to watch in delight as animals play with holiday-themed treats and enrichments.



Guests can walk the paved pathways laced with winter magic and decorations and see native Northwest animals like bald eagles, grizzly bears, gray wolves and river otters. For weeks, Northwest Trek staff have been busy as Santa’s elves, making festive cardboard cutouts and wrapped gifts, holiday trees with edible decorations, colorful icy popsicles and more. At two keeper chats each day (11am and 1:30pm), animals will enjoy those treat items that stimulate their senses and heighten their activity levels.

Also available during Winter Wildland: [Wild Drive](#) and [Keeper Adventure Tours](#). Take a tour through the hushed winter stillness of Northwest Trek’s 435-acre Free-Roaming Area to spot elk, deer, bison, mountain goats and trumpeter swans. Plus, keep an eye out for the newest addition to the wildlife park—a six-month-old moose calf! And of course, Rudolf’s close relatives, the caribou will be out and about, too! Added bonus: see how many giant snowflakes you can find up in the trees.

Weather permitting, children from toddlers through tweens can get their holiday wiggles out at the [Kids' Trek](#) nature-inspired play area.

Winter Wildland returns Dec. 26- Jan. 2 from 9:30am-3pm daily. All activities are free with membership or paid admission to Northwest Trek. For more information, visit nwtrek.org.

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Northwest Trek, accredited by the Association of Zoos & Aquariums, is a 723-acre zoological park dedicated to conservation, education and recreation by displaying, interpreting and researching native Northwest wildlife and their natural habitats. The wildlife park is a facility of Metro Parks Tacoma and is located 35 miles southeast of Tacoma off State Highway 161.

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