VISITING MOONLIT SANCTUARY

A Visual Story

Moonlit Sanctuary

the best way to see Aussie animals

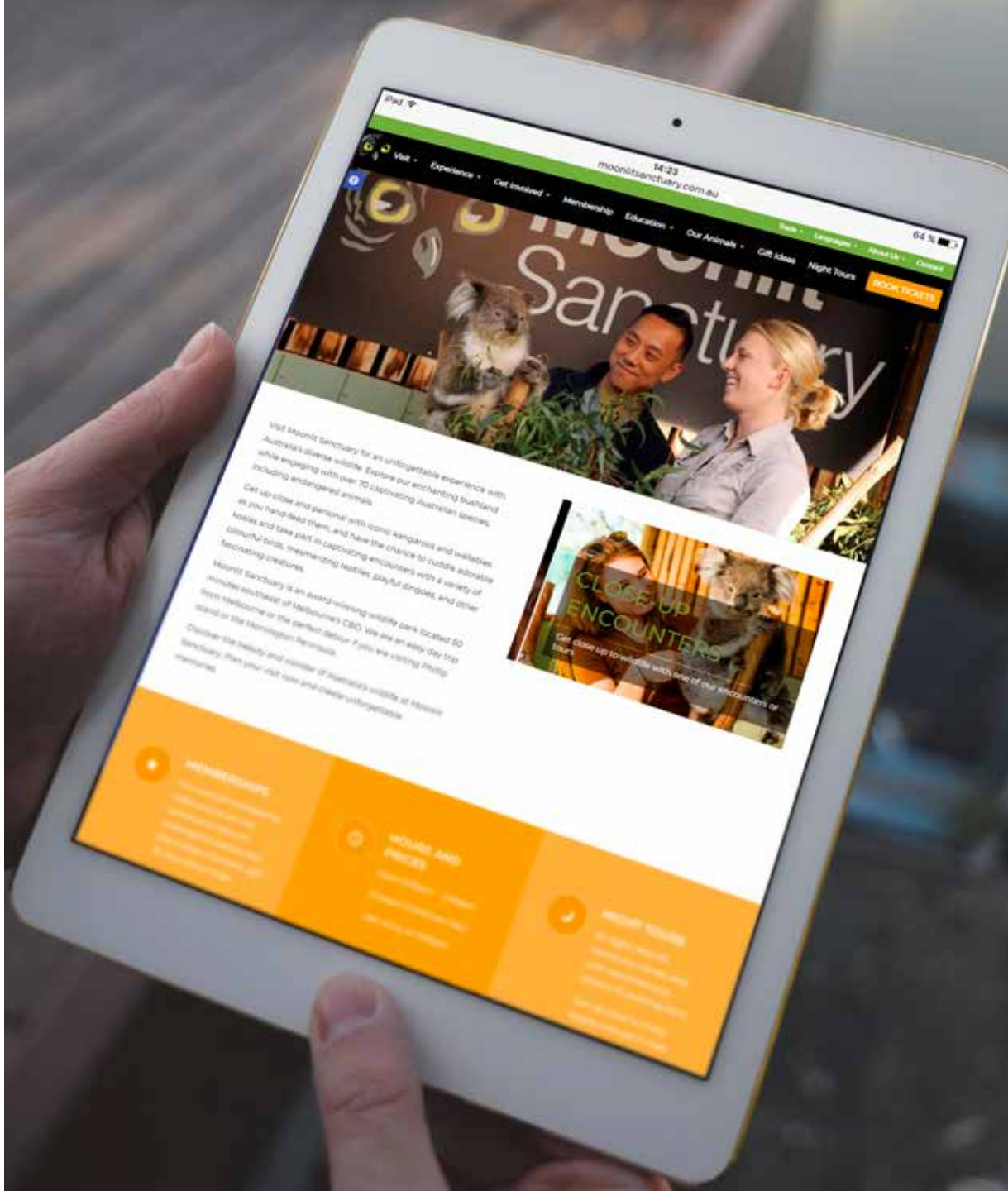
PREPARING TO VISIT

Before I go Moonlit Sanctuary I can look at the website or download the app.

I can click on the link here to go to the website moonlitsanctuary.com.au

On the website I can:

- Book my ticket
- Read about the animals
- Plan my day using the map



WHAT SHOULD I BRING?

Sometimes it is busy, noisy and hot at Moonlit Sanctuary.
I can bring things to help me enjoy the day.

I might want to bring some of these things from home.

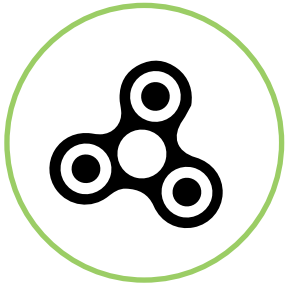
My water bottle

My hat

My headphones

My sunglasses

If it’s raining, I can bring wet weather gear like gumboots and a raincoat



I can bring my fidgets or books or my iPad to help me relax

MOONLIT SANCTUARY ENTRANCE

This is where I go to purchase a ticket, or show my ticket at the desk. I can also buy food to feed the Kangaroos and Wallabies.

There might be a line to get into the park, so I may have to wait a little bit.

It can sometimes get crowded and loud while waiting to enter the sanctuary. I can put on my headphones or block my ears if I need.

STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS

Our Zoo Keepers wear light brown shirts with our logo. Sometimes they have a red jacket or vest over their shirts.

Volunteers wear dark green uniforms with the Moonlit Sanctuary logo.

Cafe and Admissions staff wear red tops with the Moonlit Sanctuary logo.

I can ask these people for help if I need it

THINGS TO DO

Some of the things I might do include:

KEEPER TALKS

I can listen to Keeper Talks.
I can ask the Zoo Keeper questions about the animal after the talk.

THE CONSERVATION IN ACTION SHOW

The gate closes when the show starts so I need to arrive on time to take my seat.
The show lasts about 20 minutes and the gate will not open again until it finishes.
There may be a bird that flies overhead during the show but it is friendly and I am safe.

ANIMALS TO SEE

Some of the animals I might see include:

Australian mammals like koalas and kangaroos

Australian birds like cockatoos and parrots

Australian reptiles and amphibians like snakes and crocodiles

KANGAROOS & WALLABIES

There are lots of Kangaroos and Wallabies who don’t live inside enclosures. They can move around wherever they like.

They may come on to the path, or they may be resting away from people. If they are resting, I will watch them quietly from the path.

If they come to the path, I may get to see them up close, or pat them on their back. I can even feed them if I have bought the kangaroo food.

I can use my hand or feed them from the animal food container. If I use my hand it may feel tickly and I may get some saliva on me.

WILD ANIMALS

There are many wild birds that live at Moonlit Sanctuary. They may swim or fly near me but they won’t hurt me.

There are some birds who hang around the eating areas. They try and steal food that has been dropped but it is not good for them.

TOILETS

There are two sets of toilets at Moonlit Sanctuary. Both are at the front of the park.

There are unisex toilets, an accessible toilet and a baby change area just inside the visitor centre and cafe.

Down the ramp from these, and 15 metres to the left, there are separate male and female toilets.

If I can’t find them, I can look on the map, check the Moonlit Sanctuary app or ask a staff member.

FOOD AND DRINK

I can buy food and drinks from the Wetland Cafe or bring my own food with me.

The cafe has seating indoors and outside on the deck. When I pay for my food, I might be given a buzzer that will let me know when the food is ready to collect.

There are picnic tables in the park where I may sit and eat. Picnic tables are often quieter than the cafe as it can get very crowded and noisy.

SENSORY INFORMATION

I may come across different sensory experiences.

Crowded areas

Things I can touch and feel

Bright spaces

Smell of animals, or nearby farms

Loud areas, or animal noises

Free flying birds

I will tell my carer or a Moonlit Sanctuary staff member if I feel overwhelmed, need space or need quiet.

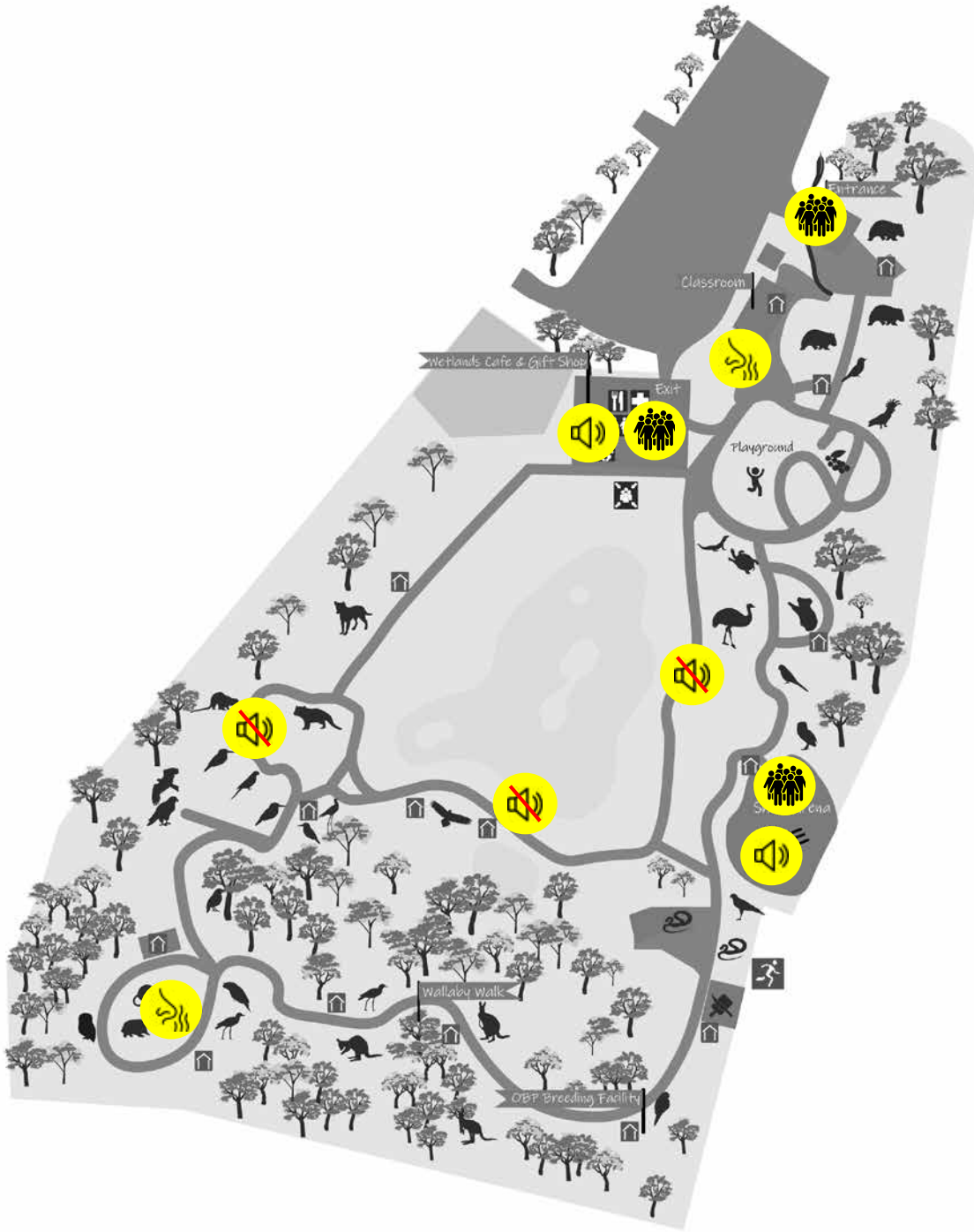
SENSORY MAP

Sometimes these areas can be noisy

These areas are quieter

Sometimes these areas can be smelly

Sometimes these areas can be crowded



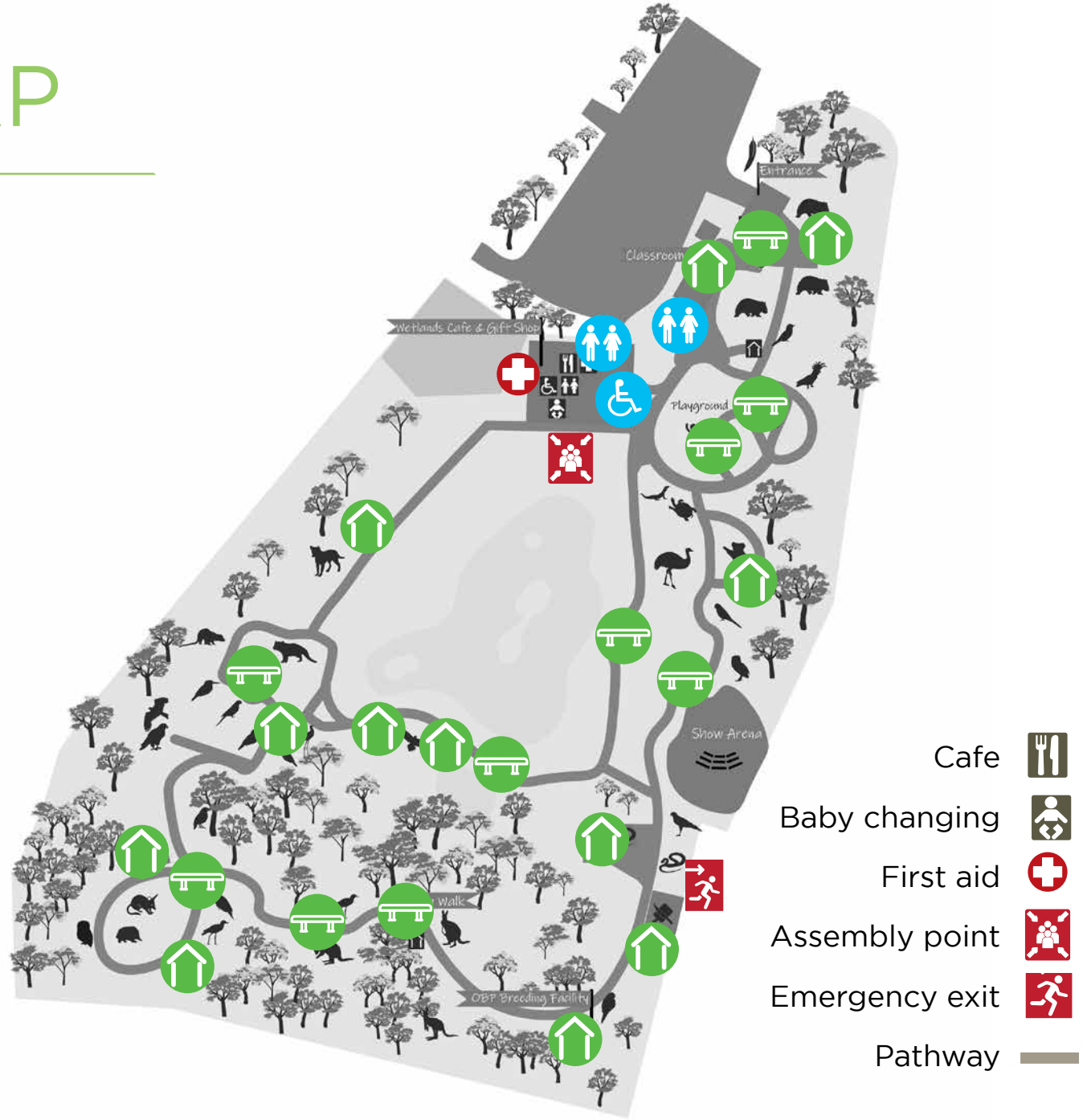
ACCESSIBILITY MAP

Accessible toilet

Toilets

Seating

Shelter



LEAVING

The exit is through the Visitor Centre.

I can buy souvenirs at the Gift Shop in the Visitor Centre if I want to.

If I feel the Visitor Centre is too crowded I may leave through the admissions building.

Thank you for visiting!