

Darling Downs Zoo Ungulate Keeper/Cover Keeper

The Darling Downs Zoo is currently interviewing candidates for a keeper's position specialising in ungulate management but also necessitating covering for keepers in other precincts.

This is a hands on position requiring a fit person with a proven work ethic and verifiable skills in this area. It is envisaged that the successful applicant will have had at least three years recent full time experience in a similar position.

The job involves feeding, cleaning, observing and recording, assisting in veterinary procedures, gardening, exhibit design, assistance with construction, pest management and liaison with management, contractors, veterinarians and staff. As this zoo grows we would expect that the successful candidate for this position will grow with it. Ungulates currently housed here include Zebra, Dromedary, Giraffe, Blackbuck, Addax, Barbary Sheep, Brazilian Tapir, Llama and Red Deer with more species to be added as time goes by. Additional duties will include the care of Capybara, Mara, Macropods and Ratites.

Sufficient skills will be needed to cover for keepers in other areas of the zoo.

We are seeking a proven self-starter with a good working knowledge of modern day zoo practices and a practical approach to ensure the achievement of positive welfare states in our animals.

The zoo is family owned and operated and is situated some 2 hours' drive west of Brisbane and midway between the provincial centres of Toowoomba and Warwick. Rental homes in this area are considerably cheaper than in more urban areas and property prices are generally stable. There is no public transport availability to the zoo. There are many good schools in the area ranging from pre-schools to Universities, major shopping chains are situated in Toowoomba [40 minutes' drive] and this region is conducive to a healthy family lifestyle.

To apply, please send either an email or letter outlining your qualifications and experience to the below:

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Applications close: 11th August 2017.