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First Twilight Tour at the Territory Wildlife Park

The Territory Wildlife Park is set to open their gates for a wild and adventurous night under the stars from 6pm to 9pm on Wednesday 16 July 2008.

Territory Wildlife Park Curator, Dion Wedd said the Twilight Tours are part of the parks visitor experience program, which aims to display the best of the Territory's nocturnal wildlife.

"The tours provide locals and visitors a wonderful opportunity to explore the Territory's flora and fauna whilst experiencing the sounds of the bush," Mr Wedd said.

"The twilight tours commence at the park's main station at 6pm before heading into the nocturnal enclosure for the guided tour.

"As part of the tour, visitors will learn how to find animals in the bush using tracking techniques as well as how to detect signs of life.

"The number of animals people will see on any night will depend on seasonality, the lunar cycle, and how social the animals are at the time, but visitors will certainly see and hear plenty of evidence of nocturnal life with the antilopines, echidnas, bandicoots, sugar gliders, northern quoll and the northern brush-tailed possum, just some of the animals found in the enclosure," Mr Wedd said.

"The tour finishes off at the nocturnal house where people will have the opportunity to handle and have their photo taken with wildlife, with a guide on hand to answer any questions."

The Territory Wildlife Park Twilight Tours cost \$35 per person including entry, guided tour and are followed by a light dinner and supper.

Twilight Tours are an event for the whole family to enjoy and will occur every Wednesday evening between 6pm and 9pm until October 2008.

For more information on the Twilight Tours please contact the Territory Wildlife Park on 08 8988 7200 or visit www.territorywildlifepark.com.au.

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Image – Northern Quoll at the Territory Wildlife Park's nocturnal enclosure.

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