



The exhibit concept takes visitors on a journey across the island continent and introduces them to the many animal wonders on the mainland and the tropical islands just off the north coast of Australia. The exhibit is presented as a complex of outback buildings that have been converted to house a small roadside collection of indigenous animal species. Visitors begin their adventure at Bob & Evelyn's Roadhouse, a typical Australian general store serving food and drinks, hardware, hiking gear, and assorted supplies for travelers.

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In the backyard Bob and Evelyn have converted their porch to create an exhibit of nocturnal species that include Bats, Kiwi, Prevost Squirrels, Tree Kangaroo, and Shrews. They have meshed over their backyard to create a tropical aviary full of colorful birds from the islands, an attractive water-fall, a ruin temple wall, and Asian artifacts collected on their travels abroad. Outdoor exhibits include Koala viewing, a free-range Kangaroo walk-through exhibit, and an old greenhouse that has been converted into an aviary where visitors can feed colorful free-flight Lorikeets.

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