

Playtime with a platypus

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In a world first, Healesville Sanctuary is inviting visitors to paddle with a platypus.

Not only will you get the chance to see the cute, playful and affectionate creature, but you can also give it a tickle.

If that is not your go, the sanctuary is also launching a new show titled *Tales from Platypus Creek* that will showcase the nocturnal mammal.

The twice-daily presentations in an amphitheatre at the zoo will feature the platypus, turtles, eels and water rats.

The shows, at 11.30am and 2pm, will be included in the price of admission to the sanctuary.

You can see the show from tomorrow.