The Thatched Cottage was built in 1928 and is one of the oldest buildings in the Warsaw ZOO. Before the war, it served as a stable for musk oxen, zebras and camels.

Today, the historic Thatched Cottage houses the Panda Foundation along with its small shop, which donates all proceeds to the needs of the ZOO. Since autumn 2014, classes for children and meetings of the Warsaw Zoo Enthusiasts Club have been taking place in the Cottage. In 2014, during the revitalization of the building, re-used were existing materials: bricks and preserved wooden elements of the cottage structure, which provided it with the ability to transition from one life cycle to the next.