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North America Adventure 3

DEADLINE: FRIDAY 23 OCTOBER 2009

Hi all,

We're off to the United States again and also Canada again in June of 2010! After our successful tours in 2006 and 2008, we've decided to go back to America and visit some more of its excellent parks. Next year's trip sees us doing more of an eastern route, starting in Charlotte, North Carolina and ending up in Toronto, Ontario. The trip will be two weeks long, which means you will only have to take 10 working days for your holiday. We hope this will make it easier for you to get the time off from your employer.

The dates of the trip are 5 June 2010 - 20 June 2010, inclusive. The trip ends on 19 June, but due to the overnight flight back to, you will arrive on 20 June. We are flying on Air Canada, but please note that the flight out is not direct. We are travelling out via Toronto.

Please read this form very carefully as there's a lot of important information about how to apply, etc.

This trip is being organised by Yvonne Janik. She has worked with us on the previous American trips, sorting out hotels and parks, but this time is also handling the coach arrangements.

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FLIGHT INFORMATION

Outbound (5 June 2010)

Heathrow AC869 (Air Canada)
Departs 08:30, arrives Toronto 11:10

Toronto AC7922
Leaves 15:30, arrives Charlotte 17:25

Inbound (19 June 2010)

Toronto AC848
Departs 20:35, arrives Heathrow 08:35 (20 June)

THE COST

WITH FLIGHT

The total cost is **£1,695.00 per person**. We need a deposit of **£495.00 per person**, which should be included with this form. There will be two further payments of **£600.00 each**, due in January and March 2010.

WITHOUT FLIGHT

The total cost is **£1,399** (approx. **€1,625.00**) per person, which will be spread over three payments. We need a deposit of **£499.00** (approx. **€580.00**) per person, which should be included with this form. This can be done with a bank transfer or credit card. There will be two further payments of **£450.00** (approx. **€520.00**) each, due in January and March. Reminders will be sent out for these.

NOTE: Due to the strength of the Euro against the Pound, this trip is actually cheaper than the 2008 US Trip!

NOTE: All payments made by credit card will be subject to a 4.1% surcharge. See the application form for more details.

NOTE: These prices are based on the dollar exchange rate on 19 August 2009. If it changes substantially, a change to the trip price may be forced upon us.

AGE LIMIT

Due to the intensity of the trip, I'm afraid we've put a minimum age of 12 for applicants. We need to make sure all participants are able to look after themselves reliably. Anyone under the age of 18 will have to travel with an adult member acting as a guardian, who is responsible for the minor's conduct throughout the trip.

PER DAY ATTENDEES

If you want to join the group at certain parks on a per day basis, then a separate invite will be sent out in 2010. This is aimed mainly at North American members not wanting to do the whole trip. Please note that we will not be able to include you in our hotel group when we book, due to the complex administration involved. We will be happy to supply you with all our hotels' names and telephone numbers to help you book your own places.

WHAT YOU GET FOR YOUR MONEY

The trip cost covers flights to/from the UK (unless the no-flight option is taken), hotel accommodation including breakfast when supplied, park entry, Exclusive Ride Sessions (ERSs), the "trip pack," trip badges, t-shirt and coach transfers. Other meals are not provided unless clearly stated in the final itinerary, which will be sent nearer the actual trip date. We will be trying our best to provide group meals at most parks.

SINGLE APPLICANTS

We have re-introduced a single room supplement for recent trips, and this one is no exception. The main reason we haven't had them for the North American trips before is that hotels just don't have a discounted rate for a room for one person. This makes the supplement more than it would be elsewhere in the world, but some members have still requested it. The single room supplement is £489.00 (approx. €569.00), which will need to be added to the trip total.

NUMBER OF PLACES

There are limited places on this trip. We plan to use no more than two coaches, which means 100 places overall. We're booking 30 plane seats from the UK, which means there are 70 places available for those wishing to make their own way to the States. If the number of applicants exceeds the number of places available, then a draw will take place. The draw will take place two weeks after the deadline, and then places will be confirmed via e-mail. It is, therefore, most necessary that you supply a valid e-mail address when applying. Please note that in all previous trips a draw has never had to be used.

DEADLINE

If we have not received your application by the date listed at the top of the letter, you may not be able to get a place. No exceptions.

TRAVEL INSURANCE

As always we recommend your taking out travel insurance for the whole of the trip. In the US, where litigation is the norm, you must make sure you have adequate travel and health insurance, just in case...

TRIP INFORMATION

A separate email list has been created for this trip. It is strongly advised you join this list once your place has been confirmed on the trip. Lots of information about ERSS, changes to itinerary, etc, will be given on this list. Postal updates will be given but only at the time when reminders are sent out for payment. Joining details will be sent with your confirmation letters after the deadline.

FLIGHT OPTION (OR 'NO FLIGHT' OPTION!)

We will be offering a no flight option for people wanting to make their own way to/from North America. You will have to book flights yourself. We cannot accept responsibility for any costs incurred if you decide to book your own flights before your place is confirmed on the trip.

We won't be in a position to offer one-way flights in either direction. If you want to use the No Flight Option then be aware that you have to participate in the whole trip. It's not fair if you just want to book seven days on the coach, when there could be a member wanting to do the whole trip. For those wanting to do just a week of the trip, then you will have to apply on a per day basis (see above) and will have to provide your own accommodation and transport.

The payment of registration fees by, for, or on behalf of participants releases and hold harmless the European Coaster Club and its representatives from any and all liabilities related to those activities..

PASSPORTS / VISA

Everyone on the trip must be in possession of a full passport that doesn't expire until at least six months after the trip has ended. You will need to check with the Canadian and US Embassy in your home country to see if you need a Visa to enter them. Please be sure to supply your full name and date of birth as on your passport plus your passport number on the booking form.

We must warn you that this trip is going to be intense. It's 15 days of coaster riding, sitting on a coach, and sleeping. There are no rest days, and quite a few days are going to be very long. Please only apply if you think you can cope with living like this for two weeks. We don't want to sound negative, but since places are limited on the trip, we want to make sure you understand the intense pace of the trip.

We hope the information above makes sense, but if you do have any questions about the trip or the application form, then please don't hesitate to contact us via email or phone.

Please join us on this exciting trip through seven states and one province; it will be an amazing adventure full of great times and friends. Be sure and send in the form.

I will see you on June 5th in Charlotte,

Yvonne

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- Day 1** Fly into Charlotte, North Carolina.
Carowinds in the evening
- Day 2** Carowinds / Freestyle Music Park
- Day 3** Freestyle Music Park /
Family Kingdom Amusement Park
- Day 4** Busch Gardens Europe
- Day 5** Kings Dominion
- Day 6** Six Flags America
- Day 7** Six Flags Great Adventure
- Day 8** Morey's Piers
- Day 9** Hersheypark
- Day 10** Knoebels
- Day 11** Waldameer Park
- Day 12** Seabreeze Park and Darien Lake Park
- Day 13** Martin's Fantasy Island and see Niagara Falls
- Day 14** Marineland Theme Park and Canada's Wonderland
- Day 15** Canada's Wonderland and fly home
- Day 16** Arrive in UK

*Itinerary is subject to change due to any unforeseen problems.