

BUSCH GARDENS TAMPA BAY, FLORIDA



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This month, Busch Gardens Tampa Bay is celebrating the opening of **Sesame Street Safari of Fun** - a signature attraction found nowhere else. The all-new, Sesame Street-themed, sunny, funny play land will feature Elmo, Big Bird and all their friends. Sesame Street Safari of Fun will be filled with kid-size rides, cool water fun, shows and memorable adventures that celebrate the spirit of Africa. Check out www.BuschGardens.ca.

Busch Gardens Tampa Bay is where the unexpected comes together with an unparalleled combination of thrilling rides, world-class live shows and one of the country's premier zoos with more than 2,500 animals.

New is **Jungala**, a lush jungle village where guests have the chance to connect with the natural world. You'll come nose-to-nose with orangutans, test their strength against a Bengal tiger, explore a three-story play land of climbing nets, mazes and tunnels, and soar above the treetops on a zip line adventure.

At, SeaWorld Orlando, Aquatica, SeaWorld's Waterpark, and Busch Gardens Tampa Bay—you can explore the Earth and the sea. Where thrilling rides and amazing adventures take you up-close to creatures of the ocean, land and sky. Where you're immersed in exotic cultures and amazing habitats. And where caring for animals and nature is where it all begins.

SeaWorld Orlando immerses guests in the mysteries of the sea through up-close animal discoveries, amazing attractions and rides and unforgettable performances. Whether diving deep and flying high on Manta, the all-new flying roller coaster, getting drenched by Shamu, meeting dolphins, braving astounding thrill rides, counting the teeth on a shark or feeding seals and sea lions, vacation adventures become lifelong memories at SeaWorld. Check out SeaWorld.ca.

Aquatica in Orlando is a one-of-a-kind waterpark that could only come from SeaWorld. Inspired by a whimsical take on the South Seas, Aquatica immerses guests in the playfulness of the sea, taking them in, over and under the water with the world's most unique water rides and animal encounters. Aquatica mixes animal experiences, waters from serene to extreme, high speed waterslide thrills and wide, sandy beaches to create a day of non-stop fun.

Right now at Aquatica, SeaWorld and Busch Gardens Canadian



	visitors can take advantage of the "Be a Kid Again" ticket offer. Discover
	all that is new and enjoy all the thrills, live entertainment and immersive
	animal experiences for which these Parks are known. The valuable offer
	allows adults to purchase tickets at kids' prices on single-day passes at
	Busch Gardens and SeaWorld and on multi-park tickets to Aquatica,
	SeaWorld and Busch Gardens. "Be a Kid Again" prices are available
	through Dec. 31, 2010, at www.seaworld.ca or www.buschgardens.ca Tickets can also be purchased through many travel partners in Canada,
	including the Canadian Automobile Association www.caa.ca/seaworld,
	www.westjetvacations.ca , www.sunwing.ca , www.expedia.ca or any
	retail travel agency.
Location	- Corner of Busch Boulevard and 40th Street
	- Two miles east of Interstate 275 at the Busch Boulevard exit
	- Two miles west of Interstate 75 at exit 54
	- One hour from Orlando via Interstate 4 West
	- Thirty minutes east of area beaches and Tampa International Airport
Park Hours	Normal park hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. within a 365-day operating
	schedule. Hours are extended during select weekend, summer and
	holiday periods.
SeaWorld Parks &	SeaWorld Parks & Entertainment operates 10 parks across the U.S.
Entertainment	including SeaWorld parks in Orlando, San Diego and San Antonio;
	Busch Gardens parks in Tampa, Fla. and Williamsburg, Va.; Discovery
	Cove and Aquatica in Orlando; Sesame Place near Philadelphia, Pa.;
	and water parks Adventure Island in Tampa and Water Country USA in
	Williamsburg.
	The 10 parks play host to 25 million guests each year and employ
	26,000 people nationwide. To learn more, visit www.SeaWorldParksandEntertainment.com or call toll-free
	1-888-800-5447. Additionally, SeaWorld Parks & Entertainment created
	the SeaWorld & Busch Gardens Conservation Fund, a non-profit,
	private charitable foundation committed to supporting wildlife and
	habitat conservation, research, education and animal rescue programs
	worldwide. Learn more at www.SWBG-ConservationFund.org.
Language	English
Currency	US Dollars; the current exchange rate at March 2010 is 98 cents US to
_	the Canadian Dollar
Price	Adult admission is \$74.95 plus tax. Children ages 3 to 9 are \$64.95 plus
	tax. Children 2 and younger are admitted for free. A variety of
	combination tickets and Passport Memberships are available.
	Discounts available for guests with disabilities and senior citizens.
	Busch Gardens Tampa Bay offers print-at-home tickets that allow
	guests to directly enter the park without waiting in line. Go to
	www.buschgardens.com to purchase tickets.
Tipping	The custom of tipping is a common practice in Florida: 15% to 20% for



	waiters; 10% to 15% for taxi drivers; \$1 per bag for bellmen. Occasionally gratuities are automatically added to restaurant checks, but not usually.
Dress	Clothing styles in Central Florida are as varied as any other major city in the world. Styles of dress ranging from comfortable and casual to elegant and stylish will be seen. Air conditioning is a way of life during Florida summers, making all clothing comfortable indoors.
Documentation	Passports are required for Canadian visitors arriving either by air
	or by car.
Time zone	Eastern Standard Time, same as Toronto
Health	Excellent services are available in Florida, but ensure that you have travelers health insurance as health costs in the US can be very high
Safety tips	Florida is relatively safe for the tourist. One should use the same precautions as when traveling anywhere - try not to travel alone and avoid deserted areas at night.
Park Services	Strollers, wheelchairs, lockers and pet kennels are available for rental. Wheelchair seating is available at all facilities, and assisted listening devices are offered at several attractions. Diaper-changing and baby-nursing areas, first aid, automated teller machine, and taxi and bus parking may be found on-site.

CLIMATE	
General climate	Central Florida has a warm and humid subtropical climate, and there are two major seasons each year. One of those seasons is hot and rainy, lasting from April until October (roughly coinciding with the Atlantic hurricane season). The other is a cooler season (November through March) that brings more moderate temperatures and less frequent rainfall. October - May Average Daily Temperatures Days - Low 70s F (22 C) to mid 80s F (27 C) Nights - Low 60s F (16 C) to high 60s F (20 C) June - September Average Daily Temperatures Days - Upper 80s F (27 C) to mid 90s F (32 C) Nights - Upper 60s F (20 C) to mid 70s F (25 C)
Today's weather	23 degrees Centigrade and sunny (27 March 2010) with a low of 13C at night.
Best time to visit	Certain periods of the year are busier than others in terms of visitation to Central Florida. The December holiday season as well as the traditional spring break vacation period (March and April, especially around Easter weekend) and summer vacation periods acquire the highest visitation numbers. The best travel times are February or September-November.



GETTING THERE	
Flying time	Flight time to Orlando from Toronto and Montreal is around 2 hours 40 mins and Busch Gardens is about an hour's drive westwards.
Airports	There is a choice of three convenient airports for visitors to Busch Gardens: St. Petersburg, Tampa and Orlando. All are within an easy drive of the park.
Distances	The sister parks in Orlando (SeaWorld, Aquatica and Discovery Cove) are all about an hour's easy drive away from Busch Gardens.
Orlando Shuttle	Busch Gardens Shuttle Mears Destination Services offers Round Trip Motor Coach transportation from several Orlando area locations to Busch Gardens Tampa. The fare for round-trip transportation is only \$10.00 per person (payable at the Busch Gardens Service Desk once you arrive). Transportation is complimentary with multiple-park tickets. The number of stops for each shuttle is not determined until day of trip. Your shuttle could potentially have a maximum of 3 stops on the route. For additional information please call 1-800-221-1339
Car Rental	Car rental is easy at the airport and downtown Tampa locations with all major companies represented. Because of the competition for customers, the car rental rates are among the lowest in the world. Those who rent a car while in Central Florida will find excellent signage that makes it easy to navigate throughout the area as well as friendly rental agents who will provide detailed maps that will guide you to your destination.
Car Parking	Spaces are available to cars for \$12, motorcycles for \$12 and trucks and campers for \$14. Preferred parking convenient to the front gate is also available to guests for \$18. Valet parking at the front gate is \$24.
Passes	SeaWorld Parks and Entertainment offer various combinations of passes to their Parks: see their website for full details: http://www.buschgardens.com/Bgt/Purchase/Visitors.aspx
ACCOMMODATION TYPES	There is a huge variety of accommodations in the Central Florida area, from holiday homes to the largest and most luxurious resorts. Many have shuttles to the major Parks. Many are also available as part of packages with flights available from Canadian tour operators such as Sunwing Vacations: www.sunwing.ca

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LIFESTYLE GROUPS	
Kids	Obviously, the brand new Sesame Street Safari is the star attraction (see below), but here are some other attractions in Busch Gardens that will particularly work well for younger kids:
	Tree Top Trails: With climbing nets, bridges, crawl tubes and a multi-level maze for bigger kids, plus a water-play area for younger



	children, this 3-story family play area allows visitors to explore the
	different levels of jungle life.
	Serengeti Express Train: See the beauty of the Serengeti Plains as you make a round-trip journey from our Nairobi train station on the Serengeti Express Train.
	King Tut's Tomb: Travel back in time to the mysteries of King Tut's Tomb. You'll get to visit a realistic replication of King Tut's burial site as it was being excavated in the 1920s. The park's Egypt area also includes an area for kids to do their own digging.
	Skyride: View the spectacular scenery as you fly through the air in a cable car that runs between the Crown Colony area and the Congo on the opposite side of the park.
Teens	This is Teen Paradise! Probably top of their list will be SheiKra : North America's first dive coaster that sends riders through a breathtaking three-minute journey 200 feet up, then 90 degrees straight down!
Disabled Travellers	Wheelchair rental: reserve a wheelchair or stroller online. Wheelchairs and Electric Convenience Vehicles (ECV's) may be rented at Stroller Rental near the front gate of the park. Wheelchairs and ECV's are rented on a "first-come, first served" basis to guests with disabilities. Guests may also use their own wheelchairs or single passenger ECV's. Guests using wheelchairs may join any admissions line to enter the park.
Honeymoons & Weddings	Busch Gardens offers a wide variety of venues, entertainment options and appetizing catering selections to create memorable wedding receptions.
Family Reunions	Multi-generational trips to the Parks are becoming more and more popular as families discover that there is something for everyone at Busch Gardens and its sister parks.
Seniors	Mature travelers, snowbirds, seniors, grandparents and the young-at-heart – Busch Gardens offers numerous ways of enjoying the Florida sunshine.

UNIQUES	
Sesame Street Safari	From March 27 th 2010, Busch Gardens Tampa Bay welcomes families
of Fun	to an all-new, Sesame Street-themed, sunny, funny playland featuring
	Elmo, Big Bird and all their friends. Sesame Street Safari of Fun will be
	filled with rides, shows and adventures that celebrate the spirit of Africa.
	Sesame Street and Busch Gardens unite to create a signature
	attraction found nowhere else. Sesame Street Safari of Fun will include
	a new junior roller coaster designed for parents and children to ride
	together.



"Air Grover" is full of mini-dives and twisty turns as families soar through the Sahara. Other kid-sized rides include "Zoe-Patra & the Hippos of the Nile," a splashy flume ride through the famed river; "Rosita's Djembe Fly-Away," a swing ride that sends kids whirling above the African canopy; "Elmo's Safari Go-Round," a tribal-inspired carousel with Elmo and his friends; and more. "Oscar's Swamp Stomp" provides cool water fun, and "Bert & Ernie's Water Hole" is a wet adventure filled with bubblers, geysers, jets, dumping buckets and more. A photography studio gives kids the chance to share a hug and a smile with Sesame Street friends, and musical performances bring tales of adventure to life. The new destination for family-friendly adventure will be created where Land of the Dragons now exists, and will double the area's current size. In addition to the rides and play areas, families also will be able to watch their favorite characters on the big screen. "Sesame Street presents Lights, Camera, Imagination!" will run in the park's 4-D theater, located in Timbuktu. And families can share breakfast and lunch with Elmo and the rest of the characters on select days at an outdoor dining facility adjacent to Sesame Street Safari of Fun.

Here's a listing of all the delights of Sesame Street Safari of Fun:

Air Grover

Soar with Grover on his plane through the Sahara – a junior coaster full of fun turns, mini-dives and plenty of laughter.

The Count's Zambezi Rally

Look for The Count at this kid-size car ride that takes you on a jaunt through our desert and tribal trails – and all at your own speed.

Zoe-patra & the Hippos of the Nile

A splashy fun flume ride with Zoe's hippo friends that gives you a riverside glimpse of Africa – pyramids included!

Snuffy's Elephant Romp

Fly around and around and up and down with Snuffy's fun friends.

Elmo's Safari Go-Round

Sit atop a friendly lion, zebra or buffalo for a spin on this tribal-inspired carousel with Elmo and his friends.

Rosita's Djembe Fly-Away

Take a swing ride through the jungle with Rosita that sends you whirling above the African canopy.



Big Bird's Whirly Birdie

It's funny side up on Big Bird's delightfully playful ferris wheel ride. An egg-celent ride for the small ones.

Telly's Jungle Jam

This Jungle Jam encourages your child to explore sound, shapes and shadows in this naturally engaging play area for kids of ALL abilities.

Elmo's Treehouse Trek

Explore Elmo's 3-story hideaway to play hide-n-seek, discover new levels of fun and get a bird's-eye view of our entire African play land.

Cookie Monster's Canopy Crawl

Cookie Monster's Canopy Crawl takes your child on a quest for fun as you climb, crawl and explore on this 3-story net climb.

Slimey's Sahara Sand

This fun-filled, sand-filled beachy oasis is a place for kids to frolic and parents to relax in the coolest desert around.

Oscar's Swamp Stomp

Get your feet – and friends – wet as you stomp, splash and play in Oscar's delightfully cool water play area.

Bert & Ernie's Watering Hole

Turn the kids loose in Bert and Ernie's wildly fun water adventure filled with bubblers, geysers, jets, dumping buckets and more.

Abby Cadabby's Treasure Hut

A bazaar of unique items, including tons of safari treasures. They're waiting in Abby Cadabby's cool hut – full of Sesame Street® Safari of Fun gifts you can't find any place else.

Cookie Monster's Trading Post

Looks like Cookie Monster's quest has gone beyond food! Check out his trading post full of safari-inspired fun gifts.

Air Grover Ride Photos

Take home a photo of your awesome ride on Air Grover – a priceless memory of this coaster ride that had you soaring up and diving down through the Sahara.

Big Bird's 123-Smile with Me

All of your child's favorite Sesame Street® friends are here to meet and



greet, share a laugh, a hug – and a photo. Snack-n-Getti Tribal Treats Take time for all kinds of tasty treats to keep your energy up for more adventures! Sunny Day Theater Go deep into our African land as tales of adventure come to life with the help of everyone's Sesame Street® friends – right before your very eyes. Timbuktu's 4-D Theater Sesame Street presents "Lights, Camera, Imagination!" features Elmo, Cookie Monster, Big Bird and other lovable Sesame Street characters trying to save the Sesame Street Film Festival. Their adventures are brought to life with zany 4-D gags and special effects like wind, water and jump-out-of-your-seat surprises. - Frommer's Florida 2010 **Books** - "Florida, eh?" By Isobel Warren and Milan Chvostek - "Places to go with children in Orlando and Central Florida", by Deborah Ann Johnson and Cheryl Lani Juarez **New-ish Attractions** Jungala Discover a colorful village, nestled among towering trees, flowing waterways and elaborate stone structures. Explore a 3-story play land of climbing nets, mazes and exploration tunnels, soar above the treetops on a zip line adventure or launch into the sky from inside a 35-foot waterfall. Then, connect up close with exotic jungle animals. Come face-to-face with orangutans and test your strength in a tug of war with a Bengal tiger. It's an unforgettable adventure and an extraordinary mix of discovery and fun in the only jungle in the world that plays with you. Serengeti Night Safari Start your nighttime safari in the Edge of Africa witnessing feedings and the active nocturnal behaviors of hippos, lions and hyenas lit only by moonlight and lanterns. Then, on the Serengeti Plain, use night-vision monoculars and special filtered lighting to view free-roaming herds of giraffes, zebra, rhinos and other intriguing African animals. The tour begins and ends in the exclusive Safari Club, with savory appetizers and beverages and a night cap complete with coffee and desserts. The Serengeti Night Safari begins after sunset on select Friday and Saturday nights and costs \$59.99 per person, plus tax. Park admission is not required for this experience, but guests must be 21 years of age or older to participate.



SeaWorld Orlando

SeaWorld Orlando has opened **Manta**, a new roller coaster attraction that transitions riders from air to sea in the summer. Guests will experience underwater animal habitats, soar face-down in a horizontal position to nearly 60 mph, and come within inches of the "ocean." Visitors can choose not to ride and instead experience the attraction itself, which provides floor-to-ceiling window views of more than 300 rays, including shark rays, spotted eagle rays and leopard rays. www.SeaWorld.com; 407-351-3600

Must Sees

Manta at SeaWorld

The only flying roller coaster of its kind in the world. A seamless blend of up close animal encounters with a head-first, face-down thrill ride. It's an adventure only SeaWorld could create.

From the start, Manta provides a glimpse into the incredible underwater worlds of tropical fish and rays - many seldom seen. Floor-to-ceiling aquariums showcase rare leafy sea dragons and thousands of schooling fish. Your kids get a unique 360-degree underwater view by climbing into a pop-up aquarium. A massive Pacific octopus slinks back and forth between habitats through an underwater tube. Three hundred rays - their group known as a "fever" - swim/fly past you and even overhead. You'll be immersed and surrounded by thousands of mysterious creatures.

Turning a corner, you'll peer through a waterfall then feel the punch of air as something huge zooms by, just inches away. It's a giant manta ray. On steel rails. A manta ray thrill-ride speeding, flying, soaring, gliding and spinning at highway speeds. And secured to the manta's belly are 32 riders, each one lying prone and face down, going for a ride on the biggest and grandest ray of all.

SeaWorld ride and animal experts designed Manta to have thrills for the whole family, at every age level. For guests too young to ride roller coasters — or those who like their adventures a little less extreme the Manta experience includes incredible views into 10 stunning and all-new aquariums, which are home to 100 species of fish, hundreds of rays and other sea life, more than 3,000 creatures in all. Never before has SeaWorld had such a diverse display of ocean animals. And never before have non-riders been so much a part of a thrill ride's experience. Those who take their excitement flying head first at 56 mph will crown Manta as one of the world's top coasters. A track-twisting pretzel loop, in-line spins, a waterfall close call and a wing dip just inches from the water add up to a flying roller coaster ride never before seen. let alone experienced. There are only a handful of "flying coasters" in the world. Climbing into what look like traditional seats and harnesses, riders soon notice what makes this kind of coaster so special: the entire seating assembly rotates forward, positioning riders horizontally, or face down



in a prone position. It's like flying. Or even better, it's like riding on the belly of a massive 12-foot-wide manta ray as it glides and twists and soars above the ocean. For thrill ride fans, Manta is sure to be the final notch on their coaster belt. For lovers of up close encounters with the mysteries of the sea, it's what they love about SeaWorld. To find the best deals on SeaWorld tickets and vacation packages, explore more at www.SeaWorldOrlando.com

Manta Facts

The habitats — Exploring the depths of the sea and roaming among Manta's freshwater lagoon and saltwater habitats are just part of the new attraction's thrill. With 10 stunning and uniquely configured aquariums, riders and non-riders alike will find themselves surrounded by the beauty and mystique of Manta's underwater elements. The marine life — More than 3,000 animals live in Manta's state-of-the-art aquatic habitats, creating mesmerizing face-to-fin encounters with hundreds of rays, thousands of exotic fish and even a giant Pacific octopus.

The thrills — Manta hits the thrill-seeking mark with a spinning, flying roller coaster inspired by the biggest ray of all. In a flying coaster, the seats rotate horizontally, putting riders in a soaring, face-down position. Manta combines the best of sea and steel with innovative thrills that only SeaWorld can create. Four inversions and spins and several close-call thrills put Manta on top of the world's must-ride coasters.

Aquatica:

Aguatica is SeaWorld's one-of-a-kind waterpark. Inspired by a whimsical take on the South Seas, Aquatica immerses guests in the playfulness of the sea, taking them in, over and under the water with the world's most unique water rides and animal encounters. Aquatica mixes animals, waters from serene to extreme, high speed waterslide thrills and wide, sandy beaches to create a day of non-stop fun. From high-speed water slides and exhilarating wave pools, to tranguil beaches and the remarkable animal habitats that are the hallmark of SeaWorld, Aquatica delights all ages and interests. This one-of-a-kind waterpark is home to some of the world's most thrilling water rides, featuring 36 slides, six rivers and lagoons and more than 80,000 square feet of sparkling white, sandy beaches. Aquatica's exclusive attractions promise unlimited fun, sending guests on amazing undersea adventures and through breathtaking animal exhibits. Aquatica's South Seas-inspired flora features more than 100 species of trees and 250 species of shrubs, grasses, vines and flowers. In total, 60,000 plants cover the grounds of this lush park. Providing the ultimate in guest comfort, Aguatica's serene beaches are packed with 3.1 million pounds of soft, white sand covering 80,000 square feet.



It's located just across the street from SeaWorld Orlando, on International Drive. Near the intersection of Interstate 4 and FL 528 (the Beachline Expressway) and is approximately 10 miles south of downtown Orlando and 15 miles from the Orlando International Airport. For park information, call 1.888.800.5447 or visit www.AquaticabySeaWorld.com

Discovery Cove:

Guests have the exciting opportunity to swim with dolphins, snorkel among thousands of tropical fish and rays, hand-feed exotic birds and relax on pristine beaches. Discovery Cove is an all-inclusive adventure featuring animal interactions and first-class amenities such as light continental breakfast, freshly-prepared lunch, plus snacks and beverages throughout the day, as well as wetsuits, snorkels, towels, lounge chairs, sunscreen and a 7-day pass to either SeaWorld Orlando or Busch Gardens Tampa Bay.

Twilight Discovery offers guests a unique way to experience Discovery Cove. This all-inclusive summer evening package brings the intimacy of Discovery Cove to an extraordinary level for 150 people a night. Twilight Discovery features sunset animal interactions, sumptuous island feasts and live Caribbean-style entertainment in a tropical setting.

Guests of all ages are welcomed at Discovery Cove. To swim with the dolphins, however, guests must be at least 6 years old. This policy was established to ensure the cognitive and physical stature of the child. These factors are taken into consideration to ensure children are able to interact in a group social setting, accept instructions, and understand the trainer. Also, the physical size of the child is taken into account since he/she will be in water that is approximately 3 feet deep with large, powerful animals.

Since Discovery Cove limits attendance to only 1,000 guests per day, it is highly recommended you make a reservation for your visit. Also, if you are planning on visiting during the summer or near a holiday, you should book your reservation at least two months prior to your intended visit to ensure availability as these timeframes tend to book early. The admission packages to Discovery Cove are all-inclusive products. Admission includes the use of lockers, wetsuit, towels and mask during your stay, free parking, shower amenities, souvenir snorkel, complimentary entry photo, continental breakfast, lunch, all drinks and snacks, access to the Aviary, Coral Reef, Ray Lagoon, Resort Pool, Tropical River, a 7-consecuative day pass to either SeaWorld Orlando or Busch Gardens Tampa, and the dolphin interaction.

Discovery Cove, 6000 Discovery Cove Way, Orlando, FL 32821

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SPORTS ACTIVITIES	Tampa is represented by teams in three major professional sports leagues: the NFL, the NHL, and Major League Baseball. Tampa Bay Rays - MLB Tampa Bay Lightning - NHL Tampa Bay Buccaneers - NFL
Golf	Tampa Bay is a golfer's paradise, home to dozens of golf courses and host to major golfing events like the senior Champions Tour Outback Steakhouse Pro-Am. Try your luck year-round at any one of our challenging courses, or sharpen your skills at the Arnold Palmer Golf Academy or Ben Sutton School of Golf.
Fishing	Anglers recognize the area's lakes, rivers and springs as some of the best freshwater fishing in the world, particularly for largemouth bass. Those who prefer saltwater fishing can cast their lines from piers, from the shore or from deep-sea fishing boats in the Gulf Coast waters. Several fish camps and guides are available to help visitors navigate the local waters.
Adventure Activities	Adventure enthusiasts can get up-close and personal with the sea's perfect predators during a Sharks Deep Dive Experience at SeaWorld Orlando.
Hiking	There are many fitness trails for biking, walking or blading in the area.

CULTURE	
Shows	"KaTonga: Musical Tales From the Jungle" takes you on a journey to the heart of Africa in a 35-minute musical celebration of animal folklore. The show follows a day in the lives of aspiring storytellers, called Griots, as they strive to become masters of their craft. To accomplish this rite of passage, the performers evoke traditional African stories that mesmerize and entertain! Masterful puppet design, magical folklore, energetic original music and spectacular African-inspired dance combine to create the first theme park show of Broadway-production caliber.
	Rock A Doo Wop: This all-new show at the Marrakesh Theater features the greatest hits of the '50s and '60s, performed by eight talented singers and dancers. Guests will enjoy favorite songs like "This Magic Moment" and "Sherry" as they travel back in time to the doo-wop era.
	Mystic Sheiks of Morocco: Snap your fingers and move your feet to the music of this high-energy brass and percussion marching band.
Music	Arts and culture are a vital component of Tampa Bay's vibrant community. Theatre groups, orchestras, world-class performance halls, museums, galleries and much more provide enriching performances, inspirational youth education programs, and exhibits that showcase the



	would are at talents of artists, actors and revisions
	world's most talented artists, actors and musicians.
Museums	The Salvador Dali Museum heads the list of many excellent area
	museums.
Events in 2010	Busch Gardens Tampa Glory at the Gardens Music Festival
	Glory at the Gardens is a jam-packed festival of live music and fellowship, plus you get access to all of Busch Gardens' thrills, animal encounters and world-class entertainment. Enjoy the music of your favorite artists while taking in the attractions of the park. Glory At the Gardens VIP Ticket: Sit up close, centre stage in the Priority Reserved Section while you enjoy the Concert artist of the day and satisfy your appetite with a meal at any Busch Gardens Restaurant. May 1, 2010 Matthew West, Brandon Heath and Jonny Diaz May 8, 2010 Skillet and Building 429

ATTRACTIONS Rides at Busch Gardens SheiKra: North America's first dive coaster sends riders through a breathtaking three-minute journey 200 feet up, then 90 degrees straight down — and that's just the beginning. "Floorless" cars give riders an unobstructed view of the 70 mph rush, and SheiKra was the first dive coaster to incorporate an Immelmann loop (a simultaneous loop and roll), a second, 138-foot vertical drop into an underground tunnel and a

Kumba: After the blood-curdling thrill of an initial 135 foot drop, you will plunge from 110 feet into a diving loop, feel a full 3 seconds of absolute weightlessness while spiraling 360 degrees, and tear through one of the world's largest vertical loops.

water feature finale, all packed into a half-mile of steel track.

Montu: Feel the ultimate rush on one of the tallest and longest inverted roller coasters in the world! Experience the thrill of an inverse diving loop and a 60-foot vertical loop while you endure speeds of more than 60 miles per hour and a G-force of 3.85.

Gwazi: Challenge the dueling forces of Gwazi: two wooden tracks intertwined into the Southeast's largest and fastest double wooden roller coaster. Boasting more than 1.25 million board feet of lumber, Gwazi's Lion and Tiger tracks offer two distinct ride experiences.

Cheetah Chase: Families will love the curves, drops and corkscrews of Cheetah Chase, a five-story "wild mouse" style coaster in Timbuktu. With its top speed of 22 mph and 46" height requirement, Cheetah Chase is the perfect ride for a child's first coaster experience.



Scorpion: Feel the "sting" of Scorpion's terrifying 60-foot drop and 360-degree loop at incredible speeds.

The Wild Surge: Launch out of a 35-foot mountain crater up above a towering waterfall for a thrilling view of Jungala's village below.

Jungle Flyers: Young adventurers choose from three different flight patterns to soar 50 feet above Jungala's village.

Rhino Rally: This wild jeep tour transports guests aboard an off-road adventure through the wilds of Africa, blending up-close animal encounters with an unpredictable safari competition.

Congo River Rapids: Encounter the swift-flowing white water of the Congo River Rapids. Spin through a geyser and face an ominous waterfall and other thrilling obstacles in a 12-person raft.

Stanley Falls: Our Log Flume whisks your whole family through a splashing trip ending in a 40-foot drop that's sure to get you soaked!

Tanganyika Tidal Wave: Watch out when your seemingly tranquil jungle journey aboard a 20-passenger boat ends with a sudden plunge down a 55-foot drop, creating a tidal wave that gets everyone sopping wet.

Educational Tours and Programs at Busch gardens

Serengeti Safari: For animal enthusiasts, we offer half hour Serengeti Safari tours daily. This open truck tour offers guests a unique look at our Serengeti Plain habitat and the opportunity to feed giraffes, antelopes and birds by hand! Encounter African wildlife up close with a Busch Gardens education specialist as your guide. Cost of the tour is \$33.99 per person plus tax in addition to park admission.

Jungala Insider Tour: Go deep into the heart of Jungala with this 45-minute behind-the-scenes tour. With a knowledgeable zoo educator as your tour guide, you will quickly become an animal expert as you go face-to face with endangered Bengal tigers and Bornean orangutans. On this walking tour, you will also witness behavior training and interactions led by the keepers. Cost of the tour is \$33.99 per person, and a portion of the proceeds will benefit the SeaWorld & Busch Gardens Conservation Fund.

Sundowner Safari: As the sun sets over the Serengeti Plain and the day's adventure draws to a close, experience an animal encounter unlike any Busch Gardens has ever offered. It begins in the Crown Colony's Brew Master's Club, where guests can sample premium



lagers. Then, the journey continues on the park's 65-acre Serengeti Plain, where participants will hand-feed giraffes and encounter other African wildlife while indulging in Anheuser-Busch's world-class beers. This 45-minute tour is offered daily for \$39.99 per person for ages 21 and older with proper identification.

Animal Adventure Tours: Experience the ultimate adventure during our two-hour behind-the-scenes Animal Adventure Tour, featuring some of the park's most famous animals. The tour combines a walking safari with an off-road truck tour, hosted by a Busch Gardens education specialist and animal care staff. Cost of the tour is \$119.99 per person plus tax in addition to park admission.

Saving a Species: During this 45-minute safari, guests can meet giraffes up close, observe some truly wild behavior from our white rhinos, and then meet our famous black rhinos. Talk to zookeepers who are working to save these endangered species, and learn about the different conservation efforts that Busch Gardens and the World Wildlife Fund are making to protect wild places. Cost of the tour is \$44.99 per person plus tax in addition to park admission, and a portion of the proceeds will benefit World Wildlife Fund conservation projects.

Keeper For A Day: Go behind-the-scenes and get a crash course in Zoo Keeping 101! This program gives you the opportunity to experience one of the coolest careers in the world — be a zookeeper at Busch Gardens Tampa Bay. Your adventure begins early in the morning by assisting zookeepers feed, train and care for the animals that inhabit the Serengeti Plain; including birds, antelope and giraffes. Cost of the tour is \$350.00 each and tax, park admission and lunch are included. An elephant-focused version of Keeper For A Day is also available. During this tour, you'll spend the day working side-by-side with the keepers who take care of the park's endangered Asian elephants. The Elephant Trainer For A Day tour costs \$395.00 each and tax, park admission and lunch are included.

Busch Gardens Adventure Camps: Busch Gardens' education department also offers many summer classes, sleepover opportunities, residential programs and adventure camps for kids of all ages, as well as the whole family. For information, call (877)-BGT-CAMP or e-mail education@buschgardens.org.

Guided Tours

Animal Adventure: This tour combines a walking safari with an off-road truck tour right to the heart of Busch Gardens. Cost for both adults and children are \$119.99 each.



The cost for adults is \$94.99 each, and for children the cost is \$84.99. **Thrill-Seekers**: Thrill-Seekers Tours are semi-private 3-hour guided tours that include front of the line access to all major rides and attractions, including Gwazi, Montu, Kumba, SheiKra, Congo River Rapids and Tanganyika Tidal Wave. The cost for adults is \$74.99, and for children the cost is \$64.99 each. Elite Adventure Tour: This unique, 8-hour private tour begins with you and your private tour guide creating your day's adventure. Then, you are off to experience it VIP style with front-of-the-line access to most major rides, reserved seating to the world-class Katonga show, lunch at the upper-level Crown Colony Restaurant and a one-of-a-kind experience hand-feeding a giraffe on our Serengeti Safari tour. Cost for both adults and children are \$199.99 each. **St Petersburg/Clearwater** on the Gulf Coast is a short drive away. Beaches Here you will find some of the finest beaches anywhere in the US and they have been consistently rates as the best in the US Wildlife **Serengeti Plain:** This habitat features hundreds of exotic African animals that can be seen from the Serengeti Express Railway, Skyride, Serengeti Safari and various walkways. The 65-acre environment includes expansive berms, the largest of which is four acres; tiered and open landscapes covered with native and African grasses, scrub trees and shrubs; rock outcroppings and bluffs replicating natural formations; and naturalistic creek beds and mud banks.

Myombe Reserve: Enter the lush forest where gorillas and chimpanzees can be viewed in this naturalistic rainforest habitat. Tour the Great Ape Domain amid waterfalls and through shrouds of mist and fog to get an up-close look at these majestic primates.

Guided Adventure: Trek through Busch Gardens with an expert guide.

Edge of Africa: This habitat offers an intense walking safari where guests can experience hippopotamus, lions, lemurs, meerkats, crocodiles and lappet-faced vultures in natural habitats themed around an abandoned African fishing village.

Jambo Junction: The former Busch Gardens' Nairobi Field Station now allows greater interaction between guests and the park's animal ambassadors. The new area is called Jambo Junction, a name inspired by a Swahili greeting. At Jambo Junction, you can participate in animal feedings, lessons in husbandry and behavior training. Featured animals include Caribbean flamingos, lemurs, cuscuses, sloths and opossums.



Bird Gardens: Soar over to our Bird Gardens area to check out almost 500 tropical birds from around the globe. You can enjoy the Wild Wings of Africa show, see our feather-filled aviary, and experience the powerful presence of bald and golden eagles in Eagle Canyon. After the show you can talk to conservation educators about how to attract birds to your own backyard.

Lory Landing: The domed habitat showcases a variety of brilliantly colored birds including several species of parrots, including lorikeets, as well as hornbills and pheasants in both free flight and observational environments.

CUISINE	
Wine	Lakeridge Winery & Vineyards: Free guided winery tour and wine tasting at Florida's largest award-winning winery. Gift shop, picnic area, festivals and concerts Location: 19239 US 27 North, Clermont, FL 34715; website: www.lakeridgewinery.com Tel: 352-394-8627 · 800-768-9463
Restaurants	There are a number of excellent dining choices at Busch Gardens:
	Crown Colony House Restaurant: Relax in air-conditioned comfort and take in a panoramic view of the Serengeti Plain while you enjoy courteous full table service, authentic African roadhouse ambiance and a diverse menu that includes delicious upscale entrees, refreshing salads and hearty sandwiches all house-made with the freshest ingredients by our culinary team.
	Bengal Bistro : Sit back, relax and enjoy a delicious lunch as your young adventurers explore Jungala. Bengal Bistro—the newly remodeled Vivi Restaurant—is the perfect place to view Jungala's village. At this cafeteria-style bistro, the Busch Gardens' culinary staff prepares your lunch fresh, offering Catch of the Jungle fish, wraps and sandwiches, salads and vegetarian options.
	Orang Café: Watch endangered Bornean orangutans swing across their habitat from the patio of Orang Café. Whether it is snack items or entrees, Orang Café's menu is designed to be "kid-siderate." Children will appreciate the family-friendly menu items like "dirt sundaes," chicken "stripes" and bug candy. The menu also includes assorted fresh fruit, wraps and other entrees.
	Zambia Smokehouse : Witness the power of SheiKra —America's first dive coaster—as you dine on delicious barbeque. The new 500-seat indoor/outdoor Zambia Smokehouse makes guests part of the action,



	as diners sit directly beneath the wings of the new roller coaster. Entrees include chicken, beef brisket and the park's famous ribs, all slow-smoked for hours over real hickory and oak.
	Desert Grill: Palatial architecture, exotic entertainment and air-conditioned comfort come together to make your meal at the Desert Grill truly unforgettable. Watch a live performance while you dine on outstanding entrees like Baby Back Ribs or Chicken Fettuccini Alfredo — all served fast and fresh. You'll also find specialty salads, hot and hearty sandwiches, delectable desserts and a complete kid's menu. Busch Gardens Tampa Bay Fact Sheet/page 3
Dining Deal	Sultan's Sweets: Start your day at Busch Gardens with a steaming cup of gourmet coffee and muffins, cinnamon buns and pastries made fresh daily in the park. Stroll through the shop and feast your eyes on an incredible array of sweet treats including hand-made candies, cakes and the deliciously decadent Wild Indulgence Fudge. You can purchase an "All You Care To Eat and Drink All Day", at
Dining Deal	participating restaurants in the Park. Prices are: Adults \$29.99 - Children (Ages 9 and under) \$14.99

MORE INFO	
Brochures	Are available at the Park entrance and in most area hotels.
Websites	For general park information, call 1-888-800-5447, or visit the
	interactive Web site at www.buschgardens.com
	For their Animal Information Database, visit www.buschgardens.org
	Also: www.seaworld.ca
	And for Sunwing Vacations: www.sunwing.ca



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HOTEL PRIZE	Mona Lisa Suite Hotel
PARTNER	225 Celebration Place, Celebration, Orlando FL 34747
	Tel: 866-404-6662
	Website: http://www.monalisasuitehotel.com
	A neoclassical addition to the Florida resort landscape, experience the
	Mona Lisa Suite Hotel, Orlando's newest all-suite hotel.
Location	The Mona Lisa Suite Hotel is conveniently located within the charming
	village of Celebration, Florida, recently voted "an American Dream
	Town!" Bathed in the warm glow of Central Florida sunshine, cradled on
	two sides by area theme parks and bejeweled by the eclectic
	architecture of Michael Graves, Cesar Pelli and Robert A.M. Stern,
	Celebration is the quintessence of modern American living. The dream
	of Walt Disney himself, Celebration was created to combine aesthetic
	ideals of art and architecture with the warmth and energy of a thriving
	small-town community. Just moments to both SeaWorld and Universal
	Studios, and 4kms from the entrance to the Walt Disney theme parks,
	Mona Lisa Suite Hotel's proximity to central Florida's major
	entertainment venues, shopping centres and limitless restaurants make
	it ideal for a vacation to this destination.
Facilities	Amenities and services include privileges at the Celebration Day Spa
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	and Celebration Golf Club, complimentary shuttle transportation to the
	Walt Disney theme parks, daily newspaper, wireless high-speed
	internet, valet and car rental services, concierge assistance, an
	incredible 360 degree vanishing-edge pool and 24-hour, in-suite room
	service.
Accommodation	Ideally suited to accommodate discriminating travellers, Mona Lisa
	Suite Hotel features 240 exquisite one and two bedroom suites. Each is
	thoughtfully appointed with sumptuously furnished living areas, and fully
	equipped kitchens featuring stainless steel appliances. Rest peacefully
	each night in a king-sized bed, generously dressed in Egyptian cotton
	linens, down pillows and comforters. Bathrooms feature In Suite
	Designer Toiletries. Take in the warm Florida breezes from the private,
	furnished balcony overlooking your choice of spectacular infinity pool or
	lush Florida landscape.
Activities	- 360-degree vanishing edge pool and whirlpool.
	- Spa privileges with Celebration Day Spa.
	- Golf privileges with Celebration Golf Club.
	- Complimentary transportation to all area theme parks
	- Attraction tickets for sale on site.
	- Bicycle/electric car rentals.
Restaurants	A unique combination of casually sophisticated dining and energetic bar
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	scene, The Galerie Restaurant & Bar, offers fine wines and exquisite
	culinary tastes in a warm and inviting ambience for guests to dine, drink
	and indulge.



AIRLINE PRIZE Sunwing flies to Orlando from Toronto and Montreal on most days of the PARTNER week, as well as several other Florida deatinations, such as St. **SUNWING AIRLINES** Petersburg – go to www.sunwing.ca for full details. Sunwing Vacations is a 100% Canadian owned and operated company and offer the widest selection of great value vacations available in Canada. With departures from over 29 Canadian cities, to 33 holiday destinations in the USA, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central America, Sunwing has convenient departures from cities closest to you and the best holiday value your hard earned dollars can buy. Many Canadians have chosen Sunwing for our innovative holiday programmes, great service and superlative competitive value, making Sunwing the fastest growing tour company and one of the very largest leisure airline groups in Canada. The outstanding in-flight service from **Sunwing Airlines** has made Sunwing industry leaders and their Sunwing Elite in-flight service offers many amenities including a complimentary glass of champagne, upgraded meal service, in-flight entertainment, wine with meals, comfortable leather seating throughout the aircraft, plus many more upgraded features at no extra charge. With the recent introduction of their **Elite Plus** service, offering a host of extra amenities and features such as extra legroom seating, additional baggage allowance, special check in at Canadian airports and pre-boarding, you can now upgrade your vacation for as little as \$20 extra each way. Sunwing Vacations currently (March 2010) has return flights from \$99 Flight details and packages from \$435 to Florida.

CURRENT DEALS

Visitors to Tampa can opt for a vacation package that includes an additional night free at select Tampa hotels and unlimited admission to Busch Gardens Tampa Bay for the entire length of the vacation. Packages are available most nights through August 31, 2010. Prices start at US\$456 for a family of four – that's like paying only \$38 per night per person. Vacations can be booked at www.BuschGardensTampaBay.com.

For all the Park entrance combination deals, go to this web page: http://www.buschgardens.com/Bgt/Purchase/Visitors.aspx

PERSONAL	For the shows in March 2010, I was on location at Busch Gardens
EXPERIENCES	Tampa in Florida and flew down to Florida with Sunwing Airlines.