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Creepy fun on Roller Coasters!

When clattering skeletons are dancing with eerily beautiful music, creepy creatures dare to venture out of the depths of their dark catacombs and the echo of spooky laughter can be heard in all alleyways, then Halloween has returned to Germany's biggest theme park. From 25 September until 1 November 2009, visitors of Europa-Park can look forward to plenty of creepy fun and truly spooky moments!

Already for the 11th time, Europa-Park is transformed into a nice and eerie autumn scenery, where goblins, witches, ghosts and demons gather for a fun rendezvous. More than 150,000 pumpkins of all shapes and colours, 2,000 bales of straw, 5,000 chrysanthemums, 6,000 corn plants, strange "spider trees", skeletons and spooky illumination guarantee plenty of creeps for young and old alike. And when – hidden by the autumnal ground fog - all of a sudden gruesome laughter can be heard out of nowhere, maybe even mum and dad are scared a little bit...

In addition to the elaborately decorated scenery and guests from the underworld, many Halloween specials are waiting for the whole family. The most courageous visitors can enter "Tortuga – the lost Pirates", a spooky cellar with live actors deep under the Scandinavian themed area. All those who do not want to be right in the centre of the action, can enjoy the creepy movie highlight "Haunted House" in the Magic Cinema 4D and the youngest visitors can get to know the funniest side of Halloween, when watching the Euromaus-Show "Euromaus and the Haunted Castle" on the open-air stage in Italy. While the little ones can carve their own Halloween pumpkin in Switzerland, hobby gardeners can look forward to 350 different pumpkin species throughout the park. And all wannabe ghosts should stop over in the Swiss themed area, where they can get creepy Halloween make-up and weird hairstyles for a small fee. Plenty of fun is also guaranteed every afternoon with the Happy-Halloween-Parade,

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when more than 80 quirky creatures are playing their tricks on the visitors.

All those creeps quicken the appetite! Therefore, eerily tasty delicacies are offered everywhere at Europa-Park and in the resort hotels. For example, the large choice of Halloween specialities includes blood-red Vampire Secco, delicious pumpkin soup and chocolate bats.

And while all ghosts, witches and goblins seek shelter in their dungeons at nighttime, guests of Europa-Park's Hotel Resort can look forward to cosy mattresses and soft pillows in a nightmarish ambience. But all those who stay overnight in one of the creepily decorated Halloween rooms in the hotels "Colosseo" and "El Andaluz" or in the Halloween log-cabin, should be aware that anything is possible...

Halloween-Festival

During the last week of the season from 24 October until 1 November, when the Halloween-Festival is celebrated, things get especially creepy at Europa-Park. Because during this week, the Evening-Parade of Ghosts and Goblins lures all visitors to the Festival Area, where the highlight of the Halloween-Festival is waiting for the guests every evening: The giant open-air Halloween-Show "Mysteria 2009 – Castillo Mystico" guarantees breathtaking entertainment with spectacular light and laser effects and a unique fireworks display.

A creepy highlight for all party fans is the big SWR3 Halloween-Party on 31 October! Plenty of spooky ambience, hip music and eerie event locations transform Europa-Park into Germany's biggest Halloween party zone.

During the Halloween-Festival-Week, Europa-Park offers a special Evening Ticket for 15.00 €, which is valid from 5 pm on.

Terenzi Horror Nights

The Terenzi Horror Nights (recommended for visitors aged 16 or older) are the ultimate fright event for all those who enjoy a good scare... and this year it's even bigger and even scarier! All guests of the Terenzi Horror Nights 2009 should prepare themselves for a unique horror trip: movie-like

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settings in four areas with over 100 actors, make-up artists from Hollywood, seven main attractions with dreadful background stories and the professional team around genre specialist Marc Terenzi turn the Terenzi Horror Nights into the largest horror spectacle in Europe!

The Terenzi Horror Nights start on 25 September, every Friday till Sunday and additionally on 15 October. Daily from 22 October until 1 November (except 26 and 31 October), every evening from 7.30 pm until midnight. Further information and tickets on www.terenzihorrornights.com

Europa-Park is open daily until 1 November, from 9 am to 6 pm (longer opening hours during peak season). Winter season: 28 November 2009 until 10 January 2010 (except 24/25 December), daily from 11 am to 7 pm. Further information on www.europapark.de / Infoline: +49 (0) 1805 / 77 66 88 (14 cent/min. from the German landline network, prices for mobile and international calls may differ).

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