



## Parents' Guide 2009

### 2009 Summer Day Camp Dates and Rates

**Session 1** June 22-26

**Session 6** July 27-31

**Session 2** June 29-July 3

**Session 7** August 3-7

**Session 3** July 6-10

**Session 8** August 10-14

**Session 4** July 13-17

**Session 9** August 17-21

**Session 5** July 20-24

**Session 10** August 24-28

**Rates & Times** – The camp will run from **9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Monday –Friday.**  
The rate is **\$299.99** per camper.

We are asking every camper to bring one empty **cereal or other snack cracker box** on their first day of camp. We have some great crafts planned and every camper will need their own box!

## Goals & Objectives:

Our goal is to give your child a one-of-a-kind memorable experience while learning about animals from around the world and their respective environments. The Six Flags Animal Adventure Camp supports the organizational mission to promote conservation and education of wildlife and its unique environments through entertaining and innovative experiences for our guests.

## Activities:

The Six Flags Animal Adventure Camp program has been designed to provide campers with a variety of wildlife and conservation themed activities in a safe, nurturing, entertaining, and fun atmosphere. The camper's day is a balance of active and quiet activities suitable to the age and abilities of the campers in the group. Campers will have the opportunity to participate in individual, small and large group activities. The camper's schedule will remain flexible to allow camp instructors the ability to maximize the most optimal times to view all of the animals during their most active times.

Program activities may include, but are not limited to:

- Private guided bus tour of the Six Flags Wild Safari
- Up-close encounters with Exploration Station education animals (monkeys, kinkajous, snakes, birds, etc.)
- Private Dolphin/Sea Lion, Tiger, & Small Animal Shows including meet-n-greets with our expert Animal Training Teams in each area.
- Arts & Crafts
- Games and nature activities that reinforce daily topics and concepts.
- "Going Green" activities which the campers can apply at home as well.
- Cultural activities (African drums, storytelling, etc.)

Activity schedules for the week will vary depending on age level; therefore children in different age ranges may not have identical activities.

**Animal Contact:** Throughout the week, campers will have the opportunity to have up-close encounters with a variety of animals. Touching is permitted with some of our small animals (reptiles, rabbit), but New Jersey State Law prohibits touching of “exotic” species on the premises. All daily animal care of safari and exhibit animals, including feeding and cleaning, is done by the Six Flags professionally trained animal personnel.

**Parent Time:** Parents/Guardians are invited to join us at camp on the Friday afternoon of your camper’s week, from 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. During this time, campers will have the opportunity to share the different arts and crafts completed during the week with their parents/guardians, and also be present for the camper’s graduation ceremony. This will take place at the Exploration Station, located outside of Six Flags Wild Safari.

**Please Note:** During the camper’s week, they will be visiting numerous animal areas and venues throughout the Six Flags park property. These include the Wild Safari, Exploration Station, and the Great Adventure theme park. They will be transported and supervised in a designated Animal Adventure Camp bus by our Camp Personnel.

## **Registration/Admissions Policy:**

Pre-registration is required for all campers. Payment in full is due at the time of registration and registrations are processed on a first come, first served basis. **All payments are final, no refunds will be offered.** Registration Forms are available on-line at [www.sixflags.com](http://www.sixflags.com) or you can sign up by calling/faxing the office. Space is very limited for each week, so if you know in advance which session you want your child to sign up for, please register as early as possible. Once registered, there will be a **\$30.00 fee applied**, if you need to change the session week for your camper, up to two weeks prior to your camper’s scheduled session. All requests must be received in writing/fax to the following address:

Six Flags Animal Adventure Camp

Attn: Jeannie Golden

1 Six Flags Blvd.

Jackson, New Jersey 08527

**Phone**-(732)928-2000 Ext. 2076

**Fax** – (732)928-2018

In order to ensure that all campers receive age-appropriate opportunities, campers **may be** separated throughout the day by their age as of June 15, 2009, into the following categories:

- 6-8 year olds
- 9-10 year olds
- 11-12 year olds

Camp staff to camper ratio for each week of camp is 1 camp personnel for every 5 campers. The ratio will be higher if the session is not 100% booked.

**Exceptions will not be made to the above categories.** There will be many occasions throughout the day when siblings and friends from different age groups will be participating in activities together.

## Snack Guidelines:

Campers **WILL NOT** be permitted to purchase food from any restaurant or food stand while participating in Six Flags Animal Adventure Camp.

Six Flags will provide a late morning snack for all campers. Examples of healthy snacks that may be served include:

- Animal Crackers
- Vegetables with dip
- Pudding cups
- Cheese and crackers

- Granola bars
- Fruit
- Ice Cream (served once per week)

Examples of drinks that may be served include:

- Aquapods (bottled water)
- Apple juice
- Juice boxes

Due to the severe nut allergies of an increasing number of children, Six Flags will not serve snacks containing nuts, nut products or peanut butter.

For other dietary needs, please contact the Safari office at (732)928-2000 ext.2076 prior to your child's session regarding snack substitutions.

## Arrival/Departure Procedures:

Upon arrival to Six Flags follow signs for the Wild Safari park (see Directions below). Proceed to the toll plaza for Wild Safari, to the far right there will be a designated lane for **Animal Adventure Camp Drop Off/Pick Up**. Provide the Toll Plaza attendant with your **Confirmation Sheet**, this is your ticket onto the property and must be with you every time you drive through the Toll Plaza. Be sure to keep the Confirmation Sheet in a safe place, as this also has your child's **ID Number** which will be needed to pick up your child each day.

Once through the plaza, keep to the right and follow signs for **Exploration Station** and **Animal Adventure Camp Drop Off/Pick Up**. Do **NOT** enter the Wild Safari. This will put you into the Exploration Station parking lot. Park your vehicle and escort your child to the "Sign In" table, which is located immediately inside the Exploration Station entrance. Here you will have the chance to meet with your child's counselors and ask any other questions you may have.

To pick up your child at the end of each day, you will need to go through the Wild Safari Toll Plaza and again provide the Toll Plaza attendant with your Confirmation

Sheet. Proceed to the Exploration Station parking lot and park your vehicle. Once inside Exploration Station, you can pick up your child in the picnic area near the Animal Adventure Camp building. To ensure your child's safety, we require that you present your **Confirmation Sheet** with your child's **ID Number**.

**Late Fees:** Any fees for late pick-up will be charged to your account. Late fees of **\$20.00 for every 15 minute** interval or part thereof will be assessed for:  
**Campers not picked up by 1:16 p.m.**

If your camper is going to be absent or late, please call the office at **(732)928-2000 Ext.2076**.

## **Directions:**

*Six Flags Great Adventure & Wild Safari* is conveniently located off I-195 in Jackson, NJ between New York City and Philadelphia.

Our address is:

1 Six Flags Boulevard  
Jackson, NJ 08527

### **WITHIN NEW JERSEY**

Take NJ Turnpike to exit 7A, I-195 east to exit 16A or Garden State Parkway exit 98, I-195 west to exit 16, then one mile west on Rte. 537 to Six Flags.

### **FROM PHILADELPHIA**

Take the Ben Franklin Bridge to Route 38 east. Take NJ Turnpike north to exit 7A to I-195 east or Route 295 north to I-195 east. Exit at 16A, then one mile west on Rte. 537 to Six Flags.

### **FROM NEW YORK**

Take the George Washington Bridge, Lincoln Tunnel or Holland Tunnel to NJ Turnpike south to exit 7A. Proceed on I-195 east to exit 16A, then one mile west on Rte. 537 to Six Flags.

## **FROM THE JERSEY SHORE**

Route 138 West or Garden State Parkway exit 98, to I-195 west to exit 16, then one mile west on Rte. 537 to Six Flags.

***Once inside Six Flags:*** Once you drive through the main entrance you will pass a Lukoil gas station on your right. Get into your left hand lane where you will see a sign for Six Flags Wild Safari/ Hurricane Harbor. Follow the signs by veering left and once you approach the entrance to Hurricane Harbor stay to your right. Once you pass the entrance to Hurricane Harbor you will see the Toll Plaza for Six Flags Wild Safari. The toll entrance to the far right will be marked with a sign for **Six Flags Animal Adventure Camp Drop off/Pickup**. Past the Toll Plaza stay to the right and follow signs for **Exploration Station** and **Animal Adventure Camp**.

## **Discipline Policy:**

To provide for the safe enjoyment of all campers, Six Flags Animal Adventure Camp staff will not permit inappropriate behavior. Examples of inappropriate behavior include:

- Mistreating animals
- Name calling
- Talking back
- Bullying
- Fighting
- Stealing
- Disobeying instructions
- Swearing
- Deliberate property damage
- Disobeying safety regulations

Should a camper misbehave, camp personnel will work with the child to make sure that they are aware of the unacceptability of their actions and to jointly agree to a solution to prevent any further issues. Depending on the severity of the offense, camp staff may need to progressively work through the following consequences:

- Time out

-Phone call to parents

-Parent meeting

-Possible suspension/expulsion from the program (There will be **NO REFUNDS** issued for suspended/expelled campers)

While the discipline policy will be reviewed with all campers on their first morning of camp, please discuss this policy with your camper before arriving on the first day. Six Flags Animal Adventure Camp team members believe that your understanding of these expectations, and your support of them, is integral to your camper's positive experience. Thank you for helping to make this year's Animal Adventure Camp a success for your child and fellow campers.

## **Do's & Don'ts:**

- **DO** send your child in comfortable shoes and clothing appropriate for the day's weather. Activities will take place rain or shine and campers will do a lot of walking. Umbrellas and raincoats are acceptable; however your child is responsible for those items throughout the day.
- **DON'T** send your child with money to spend in the food or gift shops. Campers will not be visiting these areas during their week. There will be opportunity for you and your child after graduation to visit the gift shop in Exploration Station.
- **DO** remember to send your child with sunscreen and insect repellent if necessary. Six Flags does not supply these items to campers.
- **DO** remember to have your child wear their Six Flags Animal Adventure Camp t-shirt each and every day of camp. Six Flags can be a crowded place and identical t-shirts are the easiest way to help the camp staff keep the group together.
- **DON'T** send your camper with cell phones, video games or radio/CD/MP3/tape players. Backpacks and water bottles are acceptable; however your child is responsible for carrying those items throughout the day.

## Participant Health Records:

All campers must have a completed Emergency Medical Release form on file at Six Flags **PRIOR** to being allowed to participate in any camp activities. This form is not considered complete without a parent or guardian signature and date in either Part I, Refusal to Consent, or Part II, Consent Granted.

Campers needing any form of medication during the day must have a completed Parent/Guardian Request for Administration of Medication form on file at Six Flags before they will be allowed to take any medications, including:

- Prescription medication
- Nonprescription medication
- Topical product (sunscreen, insect repellent)
- Food supplement

This form is **not considered complete** without a parent or guardian **signature and date**.

All medications will be kept in a secure, locked location during the course of the Animal Adventure Camp and will be administered at the appropriate times by Six Flags Health and Safety trained medical staff. All medications must be clearly labeled with the camper's name and in their original packaging. Refrigeration is available if required.

## Illness/Emergency Medical Procedures:

In the best interest of your camper, as well as the other campers and the staff, please do not send your camper to Six Flags Animal Adventure Camp when they are ill or show symptoms of a communicable disease. Please contact the office if you know that your camper will be absent.

If your child develops signs of a communicable disease during camp, the parent/guardian will be notified immediately and communicated to that an early pick-up will be required. A staff member will remain with the camper until he/she is picked up.

In case of emergency, Six Flags First Aid staff will be dispatched to the camper's location to assess the situation. Six Flags Camp Personnel will call the camper's emergency contact numbers if it is deemed that treatment or transport is necessary.