# The Lakes Party Weekend 2nd-5th November 2018

## by Maruba Events





#### The Venue

Whinfell Forest CenterParcs Penrith Cumbria CA10 2DW

A resort set in 400 acres of woodland complete with sub-tropical swimming paradise, sports plaza, restaurants/ cafes, shops, spa, indoor and outdoor activities



#### The Package

- three nights accommodation in a double or twin room in a well equipped forest setting lodge
- three parties; two with an optional fancy dress theme
- help-yourself bar throughout the weekend - no queueing or paying!
- · buffet meals as per this brochure
- use of CenterParcs facilities including unlimited visits to their subtropical swimming paradise
- programme of events as per this brochure

Add-ons are available such as en suite, sole occupancy or executive bedrooms.

\* pay-as-you-go

#### **Events Programme**

#### **Friday**

#### 1030 Village Opens

Early arrivals may use the sub-tropical swimming paradise, activity bookings, shops and restaurants.

#### 1530 Lodges Open

Collect your key then settle into your accommodation.

#### 1700-1800 Welcome Drinks

If you're already here, join us in the Party Lodge for a drink and chat to relax after your journey.

#### 1800-2300 Spud Supper

Baked potatoes with a choice of toppings plus salad followed by a selection of desserts. Available throughout the evening so you'll get fed whatever time you arrive.

#### 2000-late "Icebreaker" Party

Take one lodge, set out a help-yourself bar comprising good quality wines, beers, ciders, spirits, mixers and soft drinks, add some music and fun people... and get an instant party! Come and meet old friends and make lots of new ones. Featuring "cocktail of the day" at 8pm.

#### **Saturday**

#### From 0900 Activities \*

Why not book one of the activities offered by CenterParcs? Segway, ten pin bowling, geocaching, archery, adventure golf, pottery painting, tree trekking, spa sessions and much more. Available throughout the day.

#### 0930 Lake District Walk \*

There are 4 options to cover Saturday/Sunday of which 2 will be walked unless conditions truly atrocious.

- High level walk from Whinlatter Pass to the summit of Hopegill Head (770 m) and back.
- A walk into Wet Sleddale to visit "Uncle Monty's Cottage" (featured in the film Withnail & I).
- Ascent of Barf (468 m) from Bassenthwaite Lake with an optional extension to Lord's Seat (552 m).
- A circular walk around Thirlmere on the path created in the aftermath of Storm Desmond.
   Adequate clothing and footwear required. Bring food and drink. Own car/car share. Return by 4pm.

#### 1000-1200 Splash Party 1

We'll head as a group to the sub-tropical swimming paradise to play with the wave machine, lazy river, flumes, slides, waterfalls, outdoor pool and spa pools.

#### 1100-1200 Escape Room Challenge: Seven Pines SOS

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#### 1200 Penrith Potter \*

Catch the public bus to the nearby market town of Penrith for a pub lunch and a potter around the shops. Meet at the bus stop near the entrance to CenterParcs and come back when you like. Return fare £2.60.

#### 1230-1330 Pasta Party

A lunch of pasta with choice of sauces accompanied by a selection of breads.

#### 1300-1400 Escape Room Challenge: Seven Pines SOS

A repeat of the 11am event.

#### 1330-1530 Boardgames 1

Settle down in front of the log fire to play some games. There will be a selection of traditional, new, strategic and silly games but feel free to bring your own.

#### 1530-1630 Wine Tasting

Do you prefer Shiraz or Sauvignon? Come and sample a range of wines from around the world.

#### 1630-1730 Wine Quiz

How much do you really know about wine? Play in teams of up to 4 people. Prize for the winner(s).

#### From 1730 DIY Dinner \*

Book a table in one of the CenterParcs restaurants, order a Chinese, Indian or Italian take-away, organise a dinner party with your lodge mates or simply self-cater.

#### 2000-late "Out Of Africa" Party

Our big themed party night where fancy dress is encouraged, though not compulsory, and can be as simple or extravagant as you wish. The Party Lodge will be transformed into a different continent! Dress as a wild animal, safari hunter, ancient Egyptian, zulu warrior or anything related to Africa. Featuring "cocktail of the day" at 8pm plus vodka jelly shots at midnight and an optional party game.

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#### **About Our Event**

The Lakes Party Weekend has been going since 2007 with a full programme of activities though you are welcome to join in as much or as little as you wish.

The event is open to anyone who wants to come and make friends. Each year we welcome many new faces who often return with their own friends the following year. What better recommendation!



### Accommodation

We stay in lovely two-storey lodges adjacent to each other in a forest setting only a few minutes walk from the main CenterParcs dome. Each lodge sleeps 6 or 8 people. You'll get a place in a twin room - or double room on request - and if travelling alone we'll find you a sharer of the same sex. Or there's the option to pay a supplement for a guaranteed room to yourself. Each well-equipped lodge has 3 or 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, separate toilet, and open plan lounge, dining room and kitchen.

Woodland lodges include designer decor, open fireplace, TV, CD/DVD player, conventional cooker, microwave, fridge, dishwasher, chalkboard, hairdryer, bed linen, towels and toiletry pack.

Executive lodges also include all en suite bedrooms, TV in all bedrooms, physiotherm sauna room, wine cooler, coffee maker and daily maid service. The downstairs bedroom has a whirlpool bath.

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#### 1000-1130 Brunch

A relaxing morning consuming croissants, pancakes with various toppings, toast and preserves along with tea, coffee and juice.

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#### 1130-1230 Woodland Wander

Grab a map of the Whinfell Forest village and set off as a group to explore the bits you may not have seen previously. Will we spot reindeer, squirrels, otters, rabbits or badgers?

#### 1130-1330 Splash Party 2

Another chance to visit the sub-tropical swimming paradise at one of the quieter times.

**1230-1430** Boardgames 2

A repeat of this popular session. Continue playing one of the games from yesterday or learn a new one.

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#### 1430-1530 Bingo!

Eyes down as we play a few games of bingo. Free to enter with small prizes for the winners.

#### 1530-1630 Cheese Tasting

Calling all cheese lovers! There will be some of the classic varieties as well as some more unusual ones to taste. Will your favourite be here? Crackers provided.

#### 1630-1730 General Knowledge Quiz

Another chance to test those brain cells. Play in teams of up to 4 people. Prize for the winner(s).

#### 1800 Fireworks

CenterParcs are organising a spectacular firework display. Set off from the Party Lodge at 5.30pm for the short walk to the lake (subject to CenterParcs and weather conditions).

#### From 1830 DIY Dinner \*

Book a table in one of the CenterParcs restaurants, order a Chinese, Indian or Italian take-away, organise a dinner party with your lodge mates or simply self-cater.

#### 2000-late "P Is For..." Party

More drinking, dancing and socialising. Dress as a person, place or object beginning with the letter P! The opportunities are endless! Featuring "cocktail of the day" at 8pm.

#### **Monday**

#### 1000 Lodge Check Out

Please vacate your accommodation by 10am.

#### 1030 Splash Party 3

Last chance for a dip in the pool, a laze in the spa and a ride down the flumes.

#### 1200 Lakeside Lunch \*

Say farewell over lunch at the pub by the CenterParcs lake.

#### Send to:

80 Milnhay Road **NG16 4AW** 

Cheques payable to sk for bank details

### Please book me/us in for the Lakes Party Weekend, 2nd-5th November 2018 Name Address **Email** Mobile Landline Others in party Requests To share with someone who has booked separately, food allergies, etc Please tick: □ Just me ☐ twin share £150 Choose twin share and we'll find you a same sex sharer. ☐ room for sole occupancy £250 □ Two of us ☐ twin room £300 □ double room £300 (if available) □ Upgrades ☐ en suite room £30 Charge is per room. Double rooms only. Please check availability. □ executive en suite room £30 Charge is per place. There are twin or double rooms. Please check availability. □ executive en suite room with whirlpool bath £35 Charge is per place. Double rooms only. Please check availability. More than two - please tell us what you want:

#### The Small Print

Our CenterParcs weekend break is Friday 2nd to Monday 5th November 2018 at the Whinfell Forest resort, including 3 nights accommodation in a lodge sharing a twin or double bedded room. A limited number of en suite rooms or executive lodges are available for a supplement. Each night features a party in our Party Lodge with bar included comprising a range of good quality wines, beers, ciders, spirits, mixers and soft drinks (while stocks last). Buffet meals and events programme as per this brochure. Prices are for the complete package as described, except items such as pub lunches are pay-as-you-go. Off-site events require use of your own transport or car share.

#### **Terms Of Booking**

The event is run by Maruba Events and guests are subject to CenterParcs terms and conditions as per their brochure. We'll endeavour to run the advertised programme but circumstances may change so we reserve the right to vary the programme as deemed necessary. All accommodation is non-smoking including the vicinity of the Party Lodge. We reserve the right to refuse bookings. We book a mix of accommodation a year in advance, so while we'll do our best to fulfil requests for styles, upgrades and people to share with, we can make no guarantees of this. Bookings for under 18s are at the discretion of the organisers and in the event that we accept such a booking we require that their accompanying adult provide full supervision. Bookings may not be transferred to other people without our permission. If you ask to cancel, refunds will be made if we're able to resell the places and less an administration charge of £10. Participation in activities such as hillwalking is at your own risk and any walks suggested are not led by a professional guide.

#### Questions?

Contact Maxine Bates on 01773-715330 or maxine@maruba-events.com

#### **FAQ**

Is it for singles?

It's for everyone - individuals, couples and groups of friends. There's a very friendly and relaxed atmosphere making it easy to make new friends.

Will everyone know each other?

Some will, but many people are new. Some of these will know the friend who brought them along; others will know nobody and are jumping in at the deep end. Everyone is made very welcome.

Can we bring children?

The event is primarily for adults but we will do our best to accommodate families. We don't put under 18s in a lodge without checking with all concerned. If you want to bring your children please talk to us. There is a discount for under 18s as children will not be able to participate in all activities on the programme.

What's the age range?

Typically from mid-20s through to mid-50s, though we've had guests aged 8 months to 80 years.

I'm a fussy eater ...?

Our meals are buffet style so you can select what you like. They feature plenty of vegetarian choices. Due to limited kitchen facilities we're unable to provide any special individual meals though will do our best to cater for food allergies if notified in advance.

How easy is travel to the resort?

By car it's five minutes off the M6 at junction 40 or by train it's near the West Coast Main Line station at Penrith. Taxis from the station typically cost £12-£20. There is a public bus between Penrith and Whinfell Forest costing around £2. We'll send you full travel information prior to the weekend.

What if I only want part of the package?

We need to offer a one-size-fits-all package so if you can only stay 2 nights or don't want the food or drink it will still be the same price. Sorry!

Cheques made payable to "Maruba Events". If you prefer to pay via bank transfer please ask for bank details. Either way we will acknowledge receipt.