



THORPE SHARK IN THE PARK

NEW FOR 2014



- **Unique walk through SHARK SCULPTURE unveiled**
 - **Wake up on the THORPE PARK Resort Island**
 - **Fly into the new ANGRY BIRDS LAND**
- **PLUS NEW bookings enjoy free Priority Ride Access***

17 June 2014 - THORPE PARK Resort has a new addition to the thrilling line-up this year with the unveiling of a brand new THORPE SHARK sculpture feature which forms part of the recently opened THORPE SHARK Hotel. PLUS for all new bookings overnight guests can enjoy free Priority Ride Access for the first hour of Park opening.

After checking in at the nautical-themed fishing hut, guests then walk through the open jaws of the Shark sculpture constructed from vintage and recycled THORPE PARK relics and roller coaster track to their bite-sized cabin rooms.

Promising to give all the family a great night's sleep in one of its compact and stylishly designed rooms sleeping up to four people. All rooms include rain shower wet rooms, air-con, free Wifi, changeable mood lighting, flat screen TV entertainment packages including Angry Birds App and

on-demand movie service. The thrills continue after hours with a mix of chilled-out evening entertainment, exclusive Summer Nights ride time and awesome Ministry of Sound Club Nights.

Shark guests can make the most of their sleepover with exclusive 'first to ride*' access before the Park opens to the public PLUS free Priority Ride Access** for the first opening hour.

Short break packages start from just £39.99*** per person based on four sharing and include two day Park tickets, 'first to ride' early access on selected rides plus Priority Ride Access for the Park's first opening hour, selected evening entertainment, breakfast and free car parking.

* First to ride experience on selected rides and dates

** Subject to hotel terms and conditions

***Selected dates and times between 17 June and 8 November

To find out more or book tickets go to THORPEPARK.com or call 0871 360 2629

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About THORPE PARK Resort

With over 30 thrilling rides, attractions and live events to enjoy, THORPE PARK Resort is the 'must do' destination for thrill and chill seeking families and friends – located just 10 miles from Greater London. NEW for 2014, fans can experience ANGRY BIRDS Land and 4D experience before settling down for a night in the Resort's uniquely themed accommodation, THORPE SHARK Hotel, situated in the heart of the action. Brave iconic rides such as the UK's first winged rollercoaster THE SWARM, SAW – The Ride, the world's first horror movie themed rollercoaster, STEALTH, one of Europe's fastest and tallest roller coasters and COLOSSUS, the world's first ten inversion rollercoaster, as well as attractions such as RUSH, the world's largest Speed Swing. Younger theme park fans can grab their adrenaline apprenticeship as they ride on junior coasters X and The Flying Fish, before enjoying rides like the gravity defying ZODIAC and magic carpet ride QUANTUM. There are also FIVE water rides to excite the whole family, including the ultimate super-soaker TIDAL WAVE, STORM SURGE and LOGGER'S LEAP.

- THORPE PARK Resort is open for the full season from 20 March to 9 November 2014. Visit THORPEPARK.com for more information
- Advance online booking rates available from £24.99 adults, £19.99 children (under 12 years) – over 40% saving when you book 2 days in advance
- For year-round group savings and benefits, including free group leader tickets, go to Merlin Groups (merlingroups.com). Group sizes start at just 10 people and bookings can be made online or by calling 0871 663 1673 (calls cost 10p per minute plus network extras)
- Fastrack tickets, VIP experiences and special event offers are available online when booking in advance at THORPEPARK.com
- Height restrictions apply on certain rides
- Download the THORPE PARK Resort iOS and Android Official App for FREE from the App Store. <http://www.thorpepark.com/plan-your-visit/thorpe-park-official-app.aspx>
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- For press information visit www.thorpepark.com/press and for high resolution images of THORPE PARK Resort that are available to download free of charge visit www.thorpepark.com/imagebank.
- Nearest Train Station: Staines – just 32 minutes from London Waterloo
- Buses: 950 shuttle link between Staines Station and THORPE PARK Resort runs every 12 – 15 minutes
- THORPE PARK Resort – Staines Road, Chertsey, Surrey, KT16 8PN

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