

The
**Lakes
Party
Weekend**

By Maruba Events



Events Programme

Friday

1030 Check In Opens

Early arrivals may use the village facilities including the subtropical swimming paradise, activity bookings, shops and restaurants.

1530 Lodges Open

Settle into your accommodation then pop along to the Party Lodge to say hello.

1800 Spud Supper

Hot jacket potatoes topped with butter, cheese, baked beans, tuna mayonnaise or vegetable chilli and accompanied by salad. Plus a choice of desserts. Available throughout the evening, so you'll get fed at whatever time you arrive.

2030 "Icebreaker" Party

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

Saturday

From 0900 Outdoor Pursuits

Why not book one of the activities offered by CenterParcs? Segway tours, archery, zip wire, pony trekking, abseiling, quad biking, tree trekking and more. Available throughout the day.

0930 Hiking In The Lakes

Meet up to see who else is up for a day's walking on the fells and in the valleys of nearby Lakeland. Don't forget your boots and a packed lunch or money for a pub lunch. Own car/car share. We make an early start due to lack of daylight hours at this time of year.

1000 Splash Party

We'll head as a group to the subtropical swimming paradise to play with the wave machine, lazy river rapids, flumes, slides, waterfalls, outdoor pool, spa pools and bubble seats. Returnable £1 coin required for locker.

1200 Penrith Potter

Catch the public bus to the nearby market town for some pub grub and a potter around the shops. Meet at the bus stop near the entrance to CenterParcs and return when you like.

1230 Light Lunch

Cheese or beans on toast available in the Party Lodge if you're peckish after your swim.

1400 Fun & Games

Challenge your newfound friends to a variety of games - classic, retro and modern - whilst sitting around a cosy log fire. Feel free to bring your favourite game along.

1530 Liqueur Tasting

Ahead of tonight's party there's the chance to sample a range of drinks and liqueurs from around the world. Ever tried Brazilian ciapirinha, Icelandic schnapps or Thai rum?

1700 Dinner Buffet

Fill your plate with vegetable curry and rice or pizza and salads. Plus a selection of desserts. Ends at 1930.

2030 "Around The World" Party

Our big themed party night where fancy dress is encouraged and can be as simple or extravagant as you wish - though not compulsory. Wear a national costume or something representative of any country of the world. A global extravaganza of dancing and drinking with vodka jelly shots at midnight!

Cocktail of the day

Purple Sky

A mix of peach schnapps, blue curacao, lemonade and grenadine. From 8.30pm whilst stocks last!

November 2012

9-12 November 2012
Whinell Forest, Penrith, Cumbria

A long weekend with partying, eating, drinking, swimming, hiking in the Lakes, and making new friends.

Price from £145 per person

The Package

- three nights accommodation in a double/twin room in a well equipped woodland 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 or single occupancy bedrooms.



Cocktail of the day

White Russian

A blend of vodka, coffee liqueur and milk. From 8.30pm whilst stocks last!



About Our Event...

It's a simple premise: we take over the best area of the best CenterParcs village, throw parties each night, with a help-yourself bar included, and enjoy the nearby Lake District or the on-site subtropical swimming paradise and other activities during the daytime.

We and our friends have been doing this since the CenterParcs village opened near Penrith around 15 years ago, and we've refined it so there's a full weekend programme of activities - hiking, quizzes, fancy dress parties, tastings, country pub lunches - and a package of meals and bar all included. By necessity our catering isn't posh nosh - we use one of the woodland lodges as our base for the weekend, so feeding 70+ people can be a challenge - but then we also hit the cash & carry to provide an all-inclusive bar throughout the weekend so you've pretty much nothing else to pay.

The event is open to anyone who wants to come and make friends. In the beginning the event was for the Mensa social club but over the years people have invited friends, and they've invited friends, so now it is just a random group of people. Each year we welcome many new faces who often return with their own friends the following year. What better recommendation!

We've limited capacity and usually sell out some months in advance, so book soon!



Sunday

0730 Remembrance Sunday Hike - Great Gable

Take part in this special annual event, a hike up one of Lakeland's finest mountains for the 11am remembrance service. It is a simple ceremony of remembrance for those who fell for our freedom, and is not religious, nationalist or militaristic. A fantastic walk in good conditions, but if the forecast is for extreme weather we will not set out! The walk climbs 1600ft in about 3 miles to Green Gable on the NW slopes of Grey Knotts and Brandreth and is mercilessly exposed to any weather. From Green Gable there is a stiff 150ft descent to Windy Gap (an appropriate name) before the stiffer 300ft climb with some easy scrambling to the summit of Great Gable. Then after the ceremony it is all to be reversed. A strenuous 7 mile mountain excursion with 2200ft of ascent and redescent but no major technical difficulties. You'll need hiking boots, waterproof, overtrousers, warm clothing, headwear (hood, balaclava), gloves, packed lunch, emergency rations and something non-alcoholic to drink. If you have them you should also bring map, compass, whistle, headtorch, trekking poles, GPS. Led by Stephen Nelson, there will be a briefing and kit check in Stephen's lodge on Saturday at 1700.

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1000 Brunch

Relax with the morning newspapers whilst enjoying croissants, crumpets, waffles, pain au chocolat, toast and preserves with a selection of teas, coffees and juices. Ends 1130.

1130 Lunch In Keswick

Drive to Keswick for a pub lunch before an optional stroll by the lakeshore to Friar's Crag on the edge of Derwentwater. Own car/car share. Back on site approx 1430. Or stay longer and explore the town.

1430 Splash Party

Another chance to visit the subtropical swimming paradise as a group.

1530 Chocolate Tasting

Calling all chocoholics! Can you tell the difference between finest Belgian chocolate and supermarket own brands? Come and sample a range of qualities and flavours. Yummy!

1700 Quiz Time

Test your general knowledge with this fun quiz. Play individually or as a team. Prize for the winner(s).

1800 DIY Dinner

Organise a dinner party with your lodge mates, order a Chinese, Indian or Italian takeaway, or book a table in one of the village restaurants.

2030 "Uniforms" Party

More drinking, dancing and socialising along with some optional party games. Police officers, fire fighters, doctors, nurses, cabin crew, vicars, schoolboys and schoolgirls all welcome!

Monday

1000 Lodge Check Out

Please vacate your accommodation by 1000.

1030 Splash Party

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

1200 Lakeside Lunch

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



Cocktail of the day
Blue Light

A combination of white rum, blue curacao and pineapple juice. From 8.30pm whilst stocks last!

Please book me/us in for the Lakes Party Weekend, 9-12 November 2012

Name _____

Address _____

Email _____

Mobile _____

Landline _____

Others in party _____

Requests _____

To share with someone who has booked separately, food allergies, etc

Usual tittle _____

To help bar catering, but we can't guarantee stock of a particular item

Please tick your choices:

Just me

twin share £145 *Choose twin share and we'll find you a same sex sharer*

room to myself £245

Two of us

twin share £290

give us a double room if available (no extra charge)

en suite upgrade £30 *Charge is per room. You must book a double room. Please check availability before booking.*

More than two - *please tell us what you want:*

The Small Print

The Package

Our CenterParcs weekend break is Friday 9th to Monday 12th November 2012 at the Whinell Forest resort, including 3 nights accommodation in a lodge sharing a twin-bedded room. Each night will feature a party in our Party Lodge with full bar included while stocks last - but we've never run out! 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. If you're a couple we have some double rooms at no extra cost. A limited number of en-suite double rooms are available at a supplement of £30 per room.

Accommodation

We've booked lovely two-storey newly refurbished lodges close together 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 room to yourself. Each well-equipped lodge has 3 or 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, separate toilet, and open plan lounge, dining room and kitchen. Bed linen and towels are provided.

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 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 many months 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.

FAQ

Is it for singles?

It's for 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 £10-£15. We'll send you full travel information before the weekend.

How do I pay?

Cheques made payable to "Maruba Events". If you prefer to make an online payment please ask for bank details.

Questions?

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