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Santa Claus Gathering, Circus-Revue, Christmas Market and a beautifully decorated park: Magical winter wonderland at Europa-Park

On November 26th, Europa-Park has started into the "magical Winter Weeks? with a big Santa Claus Gathering once again. During the 5th winter season from November 26th 2005 until January 8th 2006, Germany's biggest theme park presents itself as a magical winter wonderland with spectacular winter attractions and beautiful Christmas decoration. With a slippery snow ramp, great rides, an outdoor skating rink, a fantastic Circus-Revue, a giant "Winterworld for Kids? and much more, Europa-Park is a very special experience also during the cold time of the year. And all those, who want to know more about Santa Claus and his adventures, should watch the Christmas film in the Magic Cinema 4D. The evening ticket invites all guests to discover the park or stroll across the Christmas market from 4.00 pm on.

After a short break, Europa-Park has opened its doors again on November 26th and invites the guests to experience the "magical Winter Weeks? until January 8th, 2006 (except December 24th/25th).

Many fascinating shows, numerous surprises and adventurous attractions for the whole family are awaiting the visitors also during the cold time of the year: racing down a 50 metre long **snow ramp**, going on a thrill-ride on the roller coaster Euro-Mir, strolling on the beautiful **Christmas Market** - also this winter will be a special experience in Germany's biggest theme park. For the first time, a special Christmas film is presented in the Magic Cinema 4D. Here, the visitors can experience an exciting story about a lonely snowman and Santa Claus.

The children's eyes sparkle with joy, when they **meet Santa Claus** in his Santa office and tell him their Christmas wishes. With thousands of sparkling fairy lights, almost 2.000 colourfully decorated fir trees, great rides and a **first-class winter show programme**, Europa-Park takes the visitors into a fascinating winter wonderland.

One of the highlights of the winter season, during which almost all of the

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parks themed areas are open to the visitors, is the big **"Winterworld for Kids?".** In the heated interior of the Silver Star Dome the kids can romp and play on an area of 2.500 m². With exciting and adventurous games, such as for example a children's bakery, an air cushion slide, a bouncy castle and much more, fun and action are guaranteed. While the little ones are in full activity, all grown-ups can enjoy a glass of delicious mulled wine in the **Snow Bar**.

In front of the Silver Star Dome, a sensational **Christmas Pyramid** attracts the visitors and in the Europa-Park Dome, a great **Circus-Revue** with many comical and acrobatic show-acts is presented to the guests. Another highlight of Europa-Park's winter show programme is the breathtaking ice-show **"Wonderland on Ice?",** choreographed by Norbert Schramm. In addition, a romantic nativity play is presented in Shakespeare's **Globe Theater** and Europa-Park's youngest visitors can enjoy a fantastic **children's musical** in the Dutch themed area. Last but not least, a colourful **Parade of Lights** with many international artists can be admired every evening in the snow covered landscape of Europa-Park. A large outdoor **skating rink** invites courageous visitors to ice-skate on the Action Square in the middle of Europa-Park, before enjoying a cup of hot chocolate in the Panorama Café. Skates can be borrowed for a small fee. Under the motto "kids on snow?", all kids who have never been on skis can gain a little experience under the supervision of skiing instructors of the ski school Thoma. Skiing equipment is available free of charge. Towards the end of the day, the beautiful **Christmas Market** invites the visitors to go on a last-minute Christmas shopping spree and enjoy the festive atmosphere in the German Alley.

The winterly decorated park attracts with a **reduced admission price** of 21,- € for adults and 18,- € for children. And for all those, who want to spend the night at Europa-Park, the three themed hotels "Colosseo?", "El Andaluz?" and "Castillo Alcazar?" offer fantastic overnight stays in a beautiful and festive ambiance.

The **evening ticket** (entrance possible at 4 pm), which costs 10,- € for adults and 8,- € for children, invites all visitors to spend a wonderful afternoon in the wintry landscape of the park. Opening hours in winter: 11 am until 7 pm. Europa-Park is open in winter from November 26th 2005 until January 8th 2006 (except December 24th/25th).

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