



Kalahari Resorts and Conventions – Sandusky – Fact Sheet

Kalahari Resorts and Conventions in Sandusky, Ohio, is Ohio's Largest Indoor Waterpark, a unique all-under-one-roof experience that combines wet-and-wild fun with world-class dining, a luxurious spa, diverse shopping experiences, a huge game room, the Safari Outdoor Adventure Park, and a state-of-the-art convention center.

Resort Details:

- **Opened:** May 2005.
- **Total Resort Square Footage:** 1.3 million sq. ft.
- **Associates:** Approximately 1,000.
- **Waterparks:** 173,000 sq. ft. indoor waterpark; 300,000 sq. ft. outdoor waterpark and adventure park.
- 46 waterslides; nine pools and whirlpools; outdoor pools span three acres.
- 18 Indoor attractions including FlowRider, Dawn Breaker, Wave Pool Experience, Lazy River, an adult swim-up bar, special kids' areas, indoor and outdoor spas and private cabanas.
- Fifteen outdoor attractions, including a brand-new 15,000-sq.-ft. pool featuring zero-depth entry, two children's areas, basketball pool and more.
- **Safari Outdoor Adventure Park:** Seasonal dry play attractions.
- Offers outdoor zip lines, a free-fall jump tower, ropes courses, climbing walls, and more.
- **Calming Room:** A certified, safe and convenient space designed for guests with sensory processing difficulties like autism and ADHD. Sensory, safety's and comfort kits are also available.
- **Guest Rooms:** 890 guest rooms & suites; waterpark admission is included for every registered guest.
- Six 5-Bedroom entertainment villas, 1-to-3-bedroom suites, many with kitchens, fireplaces & balconies.
- **Big Game Room:** 40,000-sq.-ft. interactive arcade.
- Features over 100 arcade games, black light mini golf, 7-D Motion Theater, mirror maze, trophy room packed with prizes, and more.
- **Convention Center:** 215,000 sq. ft. of flexible space.
- Three Ballrooms: 38,232-sq.-ft. Kilimanjaro, 17,200-sq.-ft. Kalahari and the exquisitely appointed 11,823-sq.-ft. River.
- 39 Meeting rooms.
- Two Luxury Executive Boardrooms.
- Exhibit space for 400+ booths.
- Dedicated loading docks including multiple 24' x 20' rollup doors.
- Full-service business center.
- Exceptional pre-function space totaling over 30,000 sq. ft.
- **Spa Kalahari & Salon:** Body treatments, massage, skin care, nail care, and hair services.
- Special offerings include Halotherapy salt therapy and dry sauna.
- **Food & Beverage:** Nine dining outlets, including quick-bite options.
- Three signature, full-service restaurants:
- **Cinco Niños:** A Modern Mexican restaurant & Tequila Bar.

- **Sortino's Italian Kitchen:** Authentic family-style Italian with brick oven pizzas, pastas, and more.
- **B-Lux Grill & Bar:** Deliciously unique burgers and shakes handcrafted from scratch with fresh ingredients that are locally sourced.
- **MACS Macaroni and Cheese Shop:** Fast and fresh macaroni and cheese shop that offers cheesy macs, crispy salads, and scrumptious desserts.
- **Café Mirage** – A fast-casual restaurant featuring burgers, sandwiches, wraps, pizza, wings, salads, snacks, and more. Visit for breakfast, lunch, dinner or just a snack.
- **Pizza Pub:** Freshly baked pizzas delivered right to your room.
- **The Last Bite:** A candy shop featuring hand-dipped chocolates, fabulous caramel apples, homemade fudge, ice cream, and more.
- **Java Manjaro:** A coffee shop serving Starbucks® coffee, house-made pastries, desserts, hot sandwiches, smoothies, and more.
- **Waterpark Food and Drink** – Safari Snacks, Mud Hut, ZanziBar Grill, Monsoon Saloon, and Zulu Grille.
- **Shopping:**
- **Build-A-Bear Workshop®:** Signature make-your-own stuffed animal shop.
- **Marrakesh Market:** A retail shop offering Kalahari merchandise, souvenirs, and everyday essentials.
- **Indigo Swimwear & Associates:** A swim shop with all the swim essentials – swimwear, towels, sandals, and more.
- **Zakanaka Kids** – A children's store, focusing on toys, plush & clothing for the little ones ... the perfect place to grab a souvenir!
- **Location:** 7000 Kalahari Dr., Sandusky, OH 44870 Located on U.S. Hwy 250, 2 minutes from Route 2/ I-80 at exit 118; Kalahari Resorts and Convention Center is ideally located near the islands and shores of Lake Erie; 45 minutes from Cleveland; 1.5 hours from Akron; 2.25 hours from Columbus; 4 hours from Cincinnati; 2 hours from Detroit; and 3 hours from Pittsburgh.

About Kalahari Resorts and Conventions

Kalahari Resorts and Conventions in Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin, Sandusky, Ohio, the Pocono Mountains, Pennsylvania, Round Rock, Texas, and opening soon in Spotsylvania County, Virginia, delivers a beyond-expectations waterpark resort and conference experience all under one roof. The authentically African-inspired Kalahari Resorts, privately owned by the Nelson family, is home to America's Largest Indoor Waterparks. Todd and Shari Nelson, the founders of Kalahari Resorts, were honored with an induction into the Wisconsin Business Hall of Fame in 2023. All Kalahari Resorts feature well-appointed guest rooms and suites, the full-service Spa Kalahari, a fun-filled family entertainment center, on-site signature restaurants, unique retail shops, and a state-of-the-art convention center. For more information, members of the media are encouraged to visit kalaharimedia.com.