

Fast Facts on the Ark Encounter

Who:

The Ark Encounter, a private Limited Liability Corporation, will be partnering with Answers in Genesis (AiG), a 501(c)(3) organization, the group behind the highly successful Creation Museum. In 3 years, more than 1 million guests have visited the \$35 million museum, which was funded by donations from tens of thousands of supporters.

What:

The Ark Encounter will include a full-scale Ark, built according to the biblical dimensions and constructed with materials and methods as close as possible to those of Noah's time.

More than just the Ark, the project will include a large complex of associated museums, theaters, amenities, event venues, and ample parking to properly accommodate the expected crowds.

The nine main areas of the Ark Encounter are:

- The Walled City Guests experience Bible events through various themed venues situated on 40 acres.
- The Ark A full-size wooden Ark depicting how Noah and the animals survived 370 days during the Flood.
- Noah's Animals Live shows with animals from around the world.
- Children's Play Area A highly themed environment where kids can explore and play.
- The Tower of Babel A 100-foot-tall themed building with exhibits and a 500-seat 5-D special effects theater.
- Journey Through History This themed attraction takes visitors on a trip through events of the Bible,, experiencing special effects.
- The First-Century Village This attractive area presents a town as it might have appeared in the Middle East.
- Aviary three bird sanctuaries presented in a natural setting, plus a nearby butterfly exhibit.
- Special Events Area A venue for large gatherings; this area will also showcase some of the Leader in Energy
 and Environmental Design (LEED) building techniques used to build the Ark complex.

When:

If all goes as planned, the Ark Encounter will open in the spring of 2014.



Where:

The Ark Encounter will be located on a beautiful piece of property – about 800 acres – right on the busiest north/south interstate in America (I-75) at an interchange just 40 minutes from the Creation Museum and 35 minutes from downtown Cincinnati, Ohio. About 190 million people live within 650 miles of the property.

Why:

The accounts of Noah's Ark and the global Flood have commanded the attention of the world for thousands of years. Elements of the Ark account are found in the history of many cultures throughout the world. Through a one-of-a-kind facility that presents the full-size Ark and its historical background and times, The Ark Encounter will be a fun, educational, and wholesome attraction, and will be an asset to the region.

How:

The bulk of the Ark Encounter – at a cost of \$125 million – will be built by the private LLC The Ark Encounter. A \$24.5 million donation campaign from Answers in Genesis will build Noah's Ark itself.