

## NGONG PING 360

### Monkey's Tale Theatre

In a magical courtyard, under the branches of a majestic Bodhi Tree, visitors to the Monkey's Tale Theatre enjoy a charming and comical show inspired by the famous Buddhist Jataka stories.

High definition animation combines with special effects and surround sound to immerse guests in a 'Monkey's Tale'. This tale concerns the story of a selfish monkey who, with the help of the Monkey King, learns a powerful lesson about sharing and kindness.

Guests enter the attraction under the Bodhi Tree, before moving into an entry room which continues the Bodhi theme with overhead projections of tree branches and boughs, creating an impression that the tree has merged with the building.

Proceeding into the theatre, guests take their seats on 'tree trunks', underneath the Bodhi Tree's canopy of leaves and branches, before a large panoramic film screen that is artfully blended into a low-relief 'stone' architectural set. The screen is framed by 'stone murals' of many monkeys, which introduce and illustrate the theme of the animation.

The lighting dims to signal the start of the show and animatronic monkey characters appear from the canopy above the audience, before vanishing in a shower of leaves to reappear in the on-screen animation.

The show's setting begins at dusk, with the setting sunlight flickering through the leaves: the guests' presence stirs three of the monkeys, the main characters, who descend from the canopy to begin their pursuit of a luscious peach.

Their fun-filled pursuit miraculously brings to life the ancient carved walls of the courtyard, causing many amazing transformations. Through a storm of heavy rain, smoke and mist, the surrounding environment changes as the monkeys learn an important but humorous lesson about life.

The story leaves the guests contemplating the heart-warming moral ending.

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