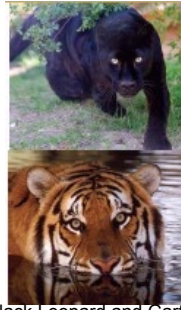


# Shambala Safari

## Walk On The Wild Side



Boo the Black Leopard and Garth the Tiger

If you have ever wondered what a safari might be like, you don't have to journey to Africa to find out. For one special weekend each month, The Shambala Preserve in Antelope Valley opens its gates to the public for a series of "safaris." During the three-hour program, visitors can view the nearly 60 magnificent cats that call the preserve home.

The Safari Tour program begins with a one-hour walking tour where visitors will learn the backgrounds of many of the exotic cats, their unique heritage, distinct characteristics, and about their care. Visitors will see lions, tigers, black and spotted leopards, cougars, servals, bobcats, Asian Leopard cats, a Florida Panther, a jungle cat, and a magnificent liger (a lion and tiger hybrid). After the walking tour, visitors can enjoy the ambiance of Shambala Lake. Safari Tour guests are welcome to pack a lunch and picnic in this stunning, serene setting.

"Shambala" is a Sanskrit word that means "a meeting place of peace and harmony for all beings, animal and human." A 40-acre natural sanctuary for big cats, The Shambala Preserve is supported by The Roar Foundation, which was founded in 1983 by actress Tippi Hedren. The mission of the Roar Foundation is to educate the public about exotic animals, to protect them and to provide sanctuary for confiscated, abandoned or neglected exotic felines.

The Shambala denizens have been confiscated by authorities throughout the United States, such as the United States Department of Agriculture, State Departments of Fish and Game, local Departments of Animal Control, the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Humane Societies, and private citizens who have mistakenly acquired these animals as pets.

### Making Reservations

Safari Tours are conducted once a month, on Saturdays and Sundays. Safari Tours in January and February: January 8 and 9, 2011; February 12 and 13, 2011.

The Safari Tours fill up quickly. Be sure to make your reservations in advance. Reservations are a minimum, tax deductible donation of \$50 per person. All visitors to The Shambala Preserve must be 18 years or older.

### Tips

- Wear comfortable walking shoes. Although the terrain is level, the pathways are compacted dirt.
- Dress in cool layers, and bring a hat and a jacket. Do not wear shorts.
- Remember to bring a camera and plenty of water.
- Shambala is a high-risk fire area, so no smoking is permitted.

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### GETTING THERE

The Shambala Preserve is approximately 40 miles north of Los Angeles in the Antelope Valley. Travel time from the Coachella Valley is approximately 2 1/2 hours.

Take I-10 West and merge onto I-210 West (Pasadena/CA- 330/Running Springs.)

Merge onto I-215 North toward Barstow. The I-215 becomes I-15 North.

Take Exit 131 to merge onto the CA-138 West (Antelope Highway) toward Palmdale/Silverwood Lake.

Travel about 38 miles, and then make a left turn onto Pearblossom Highway. Pearblossom Highway becomes Sierra Highway.

Turn left on Soledad Canyon Road.