



Lost Voyage Fact Sheet

Description: An evolving mystery from season-to-season, the *Lost Voyage* adventure embarks on **Chapter Two: Buried Secrets** during summer 2013. The Expedition takes us back into Cold Water Canyon to look for more clues as to what might be happening in this dank, dark gorge. The catalyst of the adventure is the strange disappearance of a tour boat, the *Badger*, nearly 70 years ago. Your role as an expedition member is to help our team of scientists continue to unravel the truth behind this mystery.

The unique concept in interactive entertainment reels people in with a dark story line and urging them to “Dare to Solve the Mystery.” Throughout the 1½-hour, night-time journey clues are offered up, but finding the hints won’t be easy. The adventure begins at the Upper Dells Boat Tours main landing building where the expedition sets sail along the darkened Wisconsin River to its destination – the ancient Cold Water Canyon about two miles upriver. Once there, passengers disembark and are guided on foot into the extremely dark canyon. Action, drama, sound and light effects help convey the mystifying story of the *Lost Voyage* and the fate of its passengers and crew and the scientists who are hot on the trail for answers.

Mysterious Back story: The mystery of the *Badger* dates back to 1943. Legend says that summer the tour boat, full of sightseers, became caught up in a major storm and disappeared without a trace near Cold Water Canyon. An eye witness says it vanished in a green mist. Flash forward nearly 70 years, and the boat has reappeared intact, on dry land, deep in the canyon. How did it get there? Three teenagers, who happened upon the site, disappeared too, leaving behind a disturbing video. During the first chapter of our mystery, explorers learned a lot about secret military experiments conducted here to try to create *invisibility*. But in the push to find answers, expedition participants were chased away by some horrifying creatures. Not everyone got out alive. As Chapter Two begins, dare to venture in again to see what other evidence you can find to help solve the mystery.

Online Adventure: The adventure begins online before you embark and can continue long after the nocturnal boat expedition is over. More details about what has been learned so far, can be found at dellslostvoyage.com, on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) ([#!/DellsLostVoyage](#)). Read up on the background and download a mystery clues sheet before you take the trip. Sleuths can become eligible for prizes if they successfully unlock a code to reveal the next layer of the story. The 2013 Grand Prize is a two-night getaway to Chula Vista Resort in Wisconsin Dells. An introductory video and a variety of background footage is posted on the [Lost Voyage YouTube Channel](#).

- Season:** *Lost Voyage* will begin its 2013 season Memorial Day weekend with nightly expeditions May 24 – 27. A full schedule of nightly expeditions begins June 7 and runs through Sunday, September 1 of Labor Day Weekend.
- Expedition Times:** Nightly expeditions load at 8:15 p.m. Departure time is approximately 8:30 p.m. A second tour may be added during peak summer dates dependent on demand. Call for schedule at (608) 254-8555 or view our calendar online at <http://dellslostvoyage.com/Calendars.html>.
- Reservations:** Reservations are highly recommended for *Lost Voyage*. Call (608) 254-8555 for arrangements. Walk-ups are welcome if space is available.
- Advisories/ Recommendations:** Due to some of its ominous themes, *Lost Voyage* is geared toward older children and adults. The experience is not recommended for kids age 10 and younger. Parental discretion is advised.
- Lost Voyage* is part boat excursion, part walking expedition. Proper footwear is recommended. The walking portion involves uneven terrain and narrow passageways on a boardwalk and therefore is not accessible for those with mobility issues.
- Tickets/Docks:** Ticket prices are \$22.54 for adults and \$16.90 for students ages 11 and younger. (Tax not included)
- Lost Voyage* tickets can be purchased by calling Dells Boat Tours at (608) 254-8555 or by visiting either of the two main ticket booths. Ticket outlets and docks are located at 11 Broadway Road just over the bridge in downtown Wisconsin Dells and off of Exit 87 at the junction of U.S. Highway 12 (Wisconsin Dells Parkway) and state Highways 13 and 16. Several other ticket booths are located throughout the area.
- Wis. Dells Location:** Wisconsin Dells is located about halfway between Minneapolis-St. Paul and Chicago and is easy to reach via Interstate 90/94. Wisconsin Dells is about a one-hour drive north of Madison; two hours from Milwaukee; three hours from Chicago and just under four hours from Minneapolis-St. Paul.
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