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EK ups fares by 10%

FROM July 1, Emirates will implement a fare increase of up to 10% to all destinations in all classes.

All tickets issued up to June 30 will be guaranteed and the new fares will apply from the start of business day July 1.

No waiver will be granted for tickets not issued in time.

*How do you feel about Emirates' move to increase fares by up to 10%? Send your comments by clicking on the Reply to the Editor button.

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Rezidor to open Park Inn Tete in Mozambique

REZIDOR will be opening its Park Inn Tete in Mozambique featuring 116 rooms and scheduled to open at the end of 2010, bringing to 30 the number of hotel rooms in operation and under development in Africa.

"This is our second hotel in Mozambique. During the second quarter we also will open the Radisson Blu Hotel, Maputo," says Kurt Ritter, President and CEO of Rezidor.

Tete is one of Africa's most important mining areas and is located on the banks of the Zambezi River in north-west Mozambique. Park Inn Tete will be one of the first internationally branded hotels in town.

The new hotel will also offer an all-day restaurant, a lobby bar, a gym, an outdoor swimming pool and terrace. The 12-hectare development surrounding the building will include residential and retail areas.

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SANParks changes pre-2010 booking policy

SANParks will be changing its booking policy to facilitate a smooth booking process across all SANParks accommodation facilities during the 2010 World Cup.

Customers can therefore book accommodation across all parks, including Kruger National Park for June and July, 2010 from July 1 2009.

The opening of reservations for two months at a time will be a once-off strategy for this period and reservations for August 2010 and onwards will

revert back to the usual 11 months in advance and one month at a time.

“With this arrangement we intend to ensure that our valued clients will still be able to enjoy their mid-year holiday at the national park of their choice with minimal complication due to the World Cup fever that is soon to grip the nation,” said Glenn Phillips, Managing Executive of Tourism and Marketing at SANParks.

People who are unable to secure accommodation for June and July 2010 on the 1st of July 2009 are encouraged to phone again during the first week of August 2009 for assistance.

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World's funniest airport names: rudest, weirdest and strangest

SKYSCANNER a web-based flight search engine has scoured its database of over 10 000 airports, stretching from Indonesia to the Ivory Coast, and picked the funnies, weirdest and the rudest airport names in the world.

All the airports are genuine, official airports, recognised by the International Air Transport Association (Iata).

Skyscanner's Top 10:

- Batman Airport (BAL) Turkey
- Useless Loop Airport (USL), Australia
- Black Tickle Airport (YBI), Canada
- Mafia Airport (MFA), Tanzania
- Moron Airport (MXV), Mongolia
- Ogle Airport (OGL), Guyana
- Brest Airport (BES), France
- Eek Airport (EEK), USA
- Pickle Lake Airport (YPJ), Canada
- Raspberry Strait Airport (RSP), USA

Watch your language - airports that may offend!

- Old Crow Airport (YOC), Canada
- Fukui Airport (FKJ), Japan
- Dang Airport (DNP), Nepal
- Pratt Airport (PTT), USA
- Ponce Airport (PSE), Puerto Rico
- Fort Dix Airport (WRI), USA
- Tsili Tsili Airport (TSI), Papua New Guinea
- Gaylord Airport (GLR), USA
- Shafter Airport (MIT), USA
- Phi Phi Island Airport (PHZ), Thailand
- Fak Fak Airport (FKQ), Indonesia
- Big Bell Airport (BBE), Australia

Say what now? The strangest sounding airports

- Gorom-Gorom Airport (XGG), Burkina Faso

- Wee Waa Airport (WEW), Australia
- Wagga Wagga Airport (WGA), Australia
- Woodie Woodie Airport (WWI), Australia
- Wuhu Airport (WHU), China
- Xingning Airport (XIN), China
- Puka Puka Airport (PZK), Cook Islands
- Flin Flon Airport (YFO), Canada
- Kar Kar Airport (KRX), Papua New Guinea
- Linga Linga Airport (LGN), Papua New Guinea
- Muko-Muko Airport (MAL), Indonesia
- Mala Mala Airport (AAM), South Africa
- Sabi Sabi Airport (GSS), South Africa

Airports you might prefer not to fly to...

- Mafia Airport (MFA), Tanzania
- Slave Lake Airport (YZH), Canada
- Asbestos Hill Airport (YAF), Canada
- Desolation Sound Airport (YDS) Canada
- Crooked Island Airport (CRI), Canada
- Deception Airport (YGY), Canada
- Broken Hill Airport (BHQ), Australia
- Warroad Airport (RRT), USA
- Battle Mountain Airport (BAM), USA
- Battle Creek Airport (BTL), USA
- Mysore Airport (MYQ), India
- Bloodvein Airport (YDV), Canada
- Storm Lake Airport (SLB), USA
- Red Devil Airport (RDR), USA
- Rifle Airport (IRD), USA
- Deadhorse Airport (SCC), USA
- Cue Airport (CWT), Australia
- Alert Airport (YLT), Canada
- Danger Bay Airport (DGB), USA
- Colon Airport (ONX), Panama
- Gaspé Airport (YGP), Canada

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