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## 10 Historic Facts About Great America

- 1. When Great America opened in 1976, the Park had 3 roller coasters today it has 14.
- 2. When the American Eagle opened in 1981, it was the fastest wooden roller coaster in the world. This record is currently held by its neighboring coaster, Goliath.
- 3. When the Turn of the Century was converted to the Demon in 1980, a custom soundtrack was made for the ride which can still be heard in the queue line.
- 4. The East River Crawler used to be called the Lobster. The name was changed to fit the theme of BATMAN: The Ride in 1992.
- 5. At 100 feet, the Columbia Carousel is still the tallest carousel in the world.
- 6. The Park has gone from zero to 16,458 feet of wooden roller coaster track with the addition of Goliath making it home to the most wooden roller coaster track of any theme park in the world.
- 7. Yankee Harbor has been home to the only 2 roller coasters that launch riders in the Park's history, Tidal Wave and Vertical Velocity.
- 8. Each ride in Hometown Square is an original ride from Marriott's Great America.

- 9. In 1976, the tallest roller coaster in the Park was Turn of the Century (Demon) at 104 feet, but today it's held by the Raging Bull at 202 feet.
- 10. 2015 will celebrate the 10th anniversary of Hurricane Harbor, a massive 20-acre development to Great America.