

JACSON'S RUSTY PARROT LODGE & SPA AND WILDLIFE EXPEDITIONS FEATURED IN *USA TODAY*

Four-day behind-the-scenes wolves and grizzlies tour taps "stateside safari" trend

May 27, 2005—Jackson Hole, Wyoming—The Rusty Parrot Lodge and Spa and Wildlife Expeditions are featured in *USA Today's* "Destinations" section today. The *USA Today* story focuses on "stateside safaris"—the opportunity for a wildlife adventure without leaving the U.S. The Rusty Parrot, in conjunction with the non-profit Teton Science Schools' Wildlife Expeditions, offers a Wolf and Grizzly Safari Package, highlighted in the story, which presents predator fans with an insider's peek into the real lives of wolves and grizzlies. The four-day, three-night spring safari package allows guests to walk on the wild side in Grand Teton and Yellowstone National Parks' prime predator territory while enjoying all the Rusty Parrot's trademark comforts. Dates for this popular package are May 9 -12, May 16 -19, May 23 -26, and May 30 - June 2, 2005

"We are thrilled to receive exposure in the country's largest newspaper," says Jim Promo, Rusty Parrot General Manager. "This trip has been popular with our guests because it provides them with an opportunity to see wildlife they won't see anywhere else. One guest said that on a scale of one to ten, she'd rate the trip a twelve."

Guests arrive in Jackson for a night's stay at the Rusty Parrot Lodge and Spa, a member of Small Luxury Hotels of the World and Jackson's only Four-Diamond hotel, before departing for Yellowstone's grizzly and wolf territory. Upon returning from the wild, they relax for another night at the Rusty Parrot, dining at the Four Diamond-rated Wild Sage Restaurant before departing the next day. Many guests choose to add extra days to their trip for exploring the Jackson area.

"This publicity is fantastic for Wildlife Expeditions and our mission to maximize the wildlife experience while minimizing environmental impacts," says David Watson, director of Wildlife Expeditions, which was recently named by Travelocity in their Top Eco Travel Destinations. "Stories in publications like *USA Today* will ensure the continued popularity of our trips."

The Rusty Parrot Lodge & Spa was built in 1990 by owner Ron Harrison who envisioned a different type of lodge near the shopping, art galleries, and restaurants of Jackson's Town Square. The Rusty Parrot Lodge and Spa has been featured on the weekend edition of the Today Show, and was named as one of the World's Best Hotels in the January 2005 issues of *Conde Nast Traveler* and *Travel & Leisure*, and "best romantic getaway" by *Mountain Living Magazine*. The Lodge has been rated Four-Diamond by AAA for 13 consecutive years.

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