

## = The Riddler 's Revenge =

The Riddler 's Revenge is a Bolliger & Mabillard stand @-@ up roller coaster at Six Flags Magic Mountain . The ride is situated in The Movie Town area of the park and was the park 's eleventh roller coaster . It was also the park 's single biggest investment on an attraction , to date , costing US \$ 14 million .

Upon opening in 1998 , The Riddler 's Revenge set world records for this type of coaster in height , drop , speed , length and number of inversions . The previous record holder was Chang at Six Flags Kentucky Kingdom . The Riddler 's Revenge stands 156 feet ( 48 m ) tall and features a top speed of 65 miles per hour ( 105 km / h ) . The 4 @, @ 370 @-@ foot @-@ long ( 1 @, @ 330 m ) ride features six inversions and a duration of approximately three minutes .

## = = History = =

The Riddler 's Revenge opened as Six Flags Magic Mountain 's eleventh roller coaster on April 4 , 1998 , setting world records for this type of coaster in height , drop , speed , length and number of inversions . The ride also broke the record for the world 's tallest vertical loop . The previous holder of all these records was Chang at Six Flags Kentucky Kingdom , which was installed exactly one year prior . The opening of the ride was part of a redevelopment of the Monterey Landing themed area into the 4 @. @ 9 @-@ acre ( 2 @. @ 0 ha ) Movie Town themed area . As part of the expansion the park added new restaurants , retail outlets , and rethemed some existing rides .

In March 2000 , The Riddler 's Revenge conceded the title of the world 's tallest vertical loop to Superman : Krypton Coaster at Six Flags Fiesta Texas . The floorless roller coaster featured a 145 @-@ foot @-@ tall ( 44 m ) vertical loop , 21 feet ( 6 @. @ 4 m ) taller than that of The Riddler 's Revenge .

## = = Characteristics = =

## = = = Statistics = = =

The 4 @, @ 370 @-@ foot @-@ long ( 1 @, @ 330 m ) Riddler 's Revenge stands 156 feet ( 48 m ) tall . With a top speed of 65 miles per hour ( 105 km / h ) , the ride features six inversions including a 124 @-@ foot @-@ tall ( 38 m ) vertical loop , two dive loops , an inclined loop , and two corkscrews . The vertical loop featured on The Riddler 's Revenge wraps around the lift hill ; Kumba at Busch Gardens Tampa Bay and Banshee at Kings Island are the only other rides in the world to feature a loop of this kind . Riders of The Riddler 's Revenge experience up to 4 @. @ 2 times the force of gravity on the three @-@ minute ride . The Riddler 's Revenge cost US \$ 14 million to build , making it the single biggest investment on an attraction at the park .

The Riddler 's Revenge operates with three steel @-@ and @-@ fiberglass trains . Each train has eight cars with four seats in a single row , for a total of 32 riders . Riders are secured by an over @-@ the @-@ shoulder harness . Although The Riddler 's Revenge is a stand @-@ up roller coaster , there is a small bicycle seat on which riders can lean . This configuration of trains caters for a capacity of 1 @, @ 610 riders per hour .

## = = = Manufacturer = = =

The Riddler 's Revenge is one of four Bolliger & Mabillard roller coasters at Six Flags Magic Mountain , joining Batman : The Ride , Scream , and Tatsu . The coaster is the park 's second stand @-@ up coaster ; the first was a smaller coaster manufactured by Intamin , Shockwave , which operated from 1986 to 1988 . Shockwave was relocated to Six Flags Great Adventure , preceding the installation of Green Lantern ( Chang after being rethemed and relocated ) .

== Theme ==

As its name suggests , The Riddler 's Revenge is themed for the DC Comics character Riddler . The track is painted green with black supports . As the Riddler was an archenemy of Batman , The Riddler 's Revenge is located appropriately adjacent to Batman : The Ride , in the back of the park . The Riddler 's signature question mark is featured on the coaster 's logo . The techno music that played on the loading platform is Ecuador ( Bruce Wayne Mix ) by Sash ! ( Bruce Wayne being the secret identity of Riddler 's nemesis , Batman ) .

== Ride experience ==

The ride begins with a right turn out of the station . Once the train ascends the 156 @-@ foot @-@ tall ( 48 m ) chain lift hill it goes through a small pre @-@ drop , before dropping 146 feet ( 45 m ) on a banked left turn . It then enters the 124 @-@ foot @-@ tall ( 38 m ) vertical loop which wraps around the lift hill . Two dive loops follow , the second of which also wraps around the lift hill . An inclined loop is followed by two right turns that lead up and into the mid @-@ course brake run . After dropping out of the brake run , the train immediately enters a corkscrew to the left . A series of direction and elevation changes lead into a second corkscrew , the inverted part of which is just above a portion of the queue line . The track then turns to the right and enters the final brake run before returning to the station .

== Reception ==

The Riddler 's Revenge has made four appearances on Amusement Today 's annual Golden Ticket Awards top 50 steel roller coasters . It debuted on the poll in 2003 at position 41 , before peaking at 38 in 2006 .

In Mitch Hawker 's worldwide Best Roller Coaster Poll , The Riddler 's Revenge entered at position 31 in 1999 , before dropping to a low of 108 in 2012 . The ride 's ranking in subsequent polls is shown in the table below .