

Scream a little

BRANSON: A whole new amusement park, Branson USA Entertainment Park, opens Friday. Set on 50 acres, the park will have about 20 rides, including a six-story steel coaster from Belgium, the Firestorm, and a 10-story Ferris wheel from Italy that offers riders in 26 gondolas views of Branson and the Ozarks.

Future stock car racers will be able to ride on two elevated go-cart tracks (\$5) and there will be food and 20 shops selling mainly souvenirs and toys. There will be six rides for the very young.

Branson USA Entertainment Park, Highways 376 and 76, Branson, Mo., (417) 335-2396, is to open daily 11 a.m. to midnight. Admission is free; an all-day pass for rides costs \$15.95, \$7.95 for ages 4 to 9.