

FAQs - Pazifik Eskapade - 2021

Driving Exhilaration along with Palm Springs Fun, Food, Diversity & Relaxation!

What is Pazifik Eskapade? This event is an opportunity for BMW CCA members to experience performance driving at the BMW Performance Driving School, in Thermal California, adjacent to Palm Springs. At the same time, the Coachella Valley offers a spectacular set of extracurricular activates allowing everyone to customize their own weekend of diversity, fun, shopping, and adventure.

How do I get there, and will I be driving my own car? The BMW Performance Center West is located at 86030 62nd Ave, Thermal, CA 92274. The Performance Center provides the cars, gas and tires for the driving school. You simply show up and have fun in new model BMW cars. For other activities, your own BMW or a rental car will be most convenient. Uber and Lyft are available, if needed. Flights to Palm Springs are an option, if you prefer not to drive to the event.

Do I need previous performance driving experience? No, the BMW Performance Center instructors will adjust to your skill level.

What cars will we be driving? A variety of new BMWs will be provided. They will all be new models with less than 5000 miles. There is usually a mix of Ms, SAVs, and non-Ms.

Can non-participants ride with me? You will be sharing a car with a partner. If your guest isn't prone to motion sickness, signs the waiver, **and an instructor approves it,** you may be able to take someone in the back seat. Instead, we suggest that you just sign them up and let them drive.

Can I skip exercises and/or just do a few exercises repeatedly? This event is designed so you can try all the exercises. However, if something doesn't appeal to you, sit it out. You are welcome to repeat anything you really liked but only after everyone else has had a chance to do that exercise.

Can my teen driver participate? No, you must be an adult (18 and older). Minors may not drive or ride. If you bring younger children with you, please be sure there is an adult to watch that child while you are in the car. Better yet, plan some extracurricular activities for your family.

What should I wear, and do I need to bring a helmet? Wear comfortable driving clothes. Shorts are okay. Do not wear flip-flops, slides, sandals, open-toed shoes, or stilettos. You will not need to bring your helmet with you. The Performance Center will provide everything you need.

What is the cancellation policy? Can I substitute participants on my registration? If you cancel before September 1, you'll get a full refund*. After that, the amount of your refund* will depend of whether we can fill your place, and whether the event has broken even. If you opt to give your entry to a friend, please make sure they meet the membership requirements. Contact us at to add, cancel, or substitute drivers. *Your refund may be subjected to a small handling fee.

Do I need to bring water or food to the BMW Performance Center? Also, what about my special dietary needs? The BMW Performance Center provides water and you are encouraged to drink a lot of it. Their caterers are excellent. Meals are served buffet style and you should be able to find something to met your personal dietary needs. If you have very restrictive needs, contact us and we'll check with the caterer.

More questions or concerns? Contact <Eskapades@cox.net>