

A balloon ride to the outer limits

Trials are soon to begin of *Spaceship Neptune*, a high-flying balloon designed to carry eight passengers to the edge of space

SPACESHIP NEPTUNE

Dome: Allows unobstructed 360-degree views

Trunk space: Area reserved for scientific instruments

Panoramic windows: Convex design offers views of Earth below and stars above

Occupants: Nine (pilot and eight paying passengers)

Comfort: Reclining chairs for ascent and descent. Refreshments

Cost: **\$125,000** per person (half cost of other sub-orbital flights)

Duration: **6 hours**

Restroom: Below main deck

Spashdown cone: Eases capsule into sea at end of flight

FLIGHT

