the home of space shuttle Atlantis continues taking shape at the kennedy space center visitor complex including a space-age gateway for the attraction using a massive crane crews place the nose cone atop a second of a replica pair of solid rocket boosters each booster stands 149 feet tall a life-size external tank model will be built between them to form a complete stack the same size as the ones that lifted space shuttles into orbit for 30 years the stack which will reach 184 feet when finished will straddle a walkway into
the space shuttle Atlantis attractions
main building a new 90,000 square foot exhibit hall housing Atlantis itself the orbiter which flew the shuttle fleets last mission in July two thousand eleven is already positioned inside the structure so workers can put the finishing touches on inside while the stack takes shape outside you