

A Disnerd's Guide to  
**Disney**



# Disney Snacks

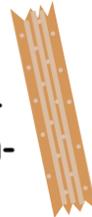
## Dole Whip

A pineapple – flavored soft-served frozen dessert. Available at Magic Kingdom’s Aloha Isle and the Polynesian Village Resort. This dessert is a favorite among guests, and you can eat it while enjoying Walt Disney’s Enchanted Tiki Room, a show with singing birds, flowers, and tikis!



## Churro

A fried dough pastry covered in sugar and cinnamon. Available at churro stands throughout the parks.



## Popcorn

Available at throughout the parks, and you can buy different kinds of popcorn in the shops, such as chocolate, caramel, and kettle.



## Ice Cream

Everyone’s favorite soft-served dessert, available throughout the parks.



## Soft Pretzel

And this kind is Mickey Mouse – shaped! It’s available throughout the parks and it includes dipping cheese if you would like any.



# Dining



## Jungle Navigation Co. Skipper Canteen

An exotic cuisine based on Magic Kingdom’s Jungle Cruise attraction, where you are served lunch or dinner by the Jungle Cruise’s humorous skippers. If you’re interested in trying different foods (it’s an African, Asian, and Latin Cuisine), this is the dining experience for you. It’s quite delicious, but if your child is a picky eater, no need to worry! Kids menus are provided.

## Be Our Guest Restaurant

Dine inside the Beast’s castle where you can enjoy quick-service breakfast or lunch, or a sit-down dinner where you are greeted by the Beast himself. There is food for everyone here, and dessert includes the delicious “grey stuff” from Beauty and the Beast!

## Coral Reef Restaurant

Dine alongside the large aquarium in The Seas with Nemo and Friends, where you’ll see over 4,000 sea creatures and 85 species of tropical fish. This aquarium is the largest inland saltwater environment ever built! Located at Epcot.

## Character Meal

There are many character meals that you can experience at the parks and resorts, but the most recent one I did was at Magic Kingdom’s Crystal Palace, where you can dine with Winnie the Pooh and his pals. Enjoy an all-you-can-eat buffet!

# Hotels

## Disney's Animal Kingdom Lodge

This resort will immerse you in Africa, and in my opinion, the best on property. It is my family's favorite resort because it really makes us feel like we have left the state of Florida and entered Africa. You can gaze at a savannah from your hotel room, and see all kinds of animals such as giraffes, zebras, and gazelles.



## Disney's Art of Animation Resort

A resort that will transport you into the worlds of four Disney animated films: Finding Nemo, Cars, The Little Mermaid, and The Lion King. From the African savannah to the small town of Radiator Springs, you'll feel like you've stepped into a magical realm. Take a dip in the Finding Nemo-themed swimming pool, which is the largest in Walt Disney World.



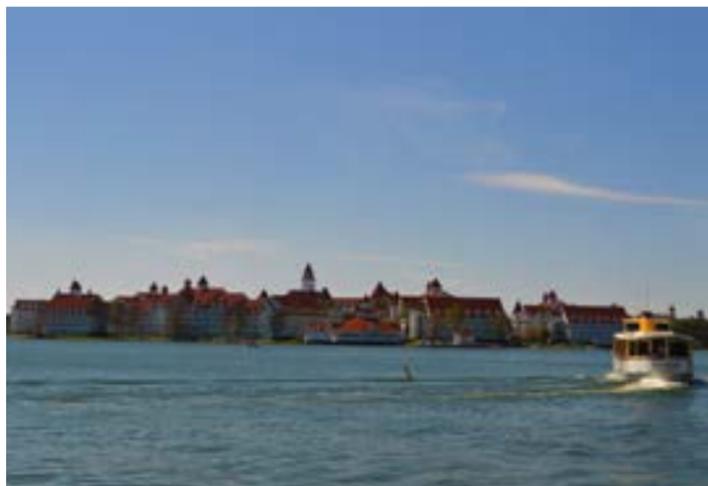
## Disney's Polynesian Village Resort

This resort opened with Walt Disney World in 1971 and offers a tropical South Pacific environment. Enjoy an exotic luau, a pool with a towering volcano and waterslide, and an enchanted bar. This resort is located on the Seven Seas Lagoon and offers monorail and boat transportation to Magic Kingdom and back.



## Disney's Grand Floridian Resort & Spa

A Victorian-style resort that is located on the Seven Seas Lagoon, with direct monorail and boat transportation to Magic Kingdom and back. Enjoy a world-class spa, signature dining, and gorgeous views of Magic Kingdom's fireworks.



# Seasonal Events

## Fall

### Mickey's Not-So-Scary Halloween Party



Magic Kingdom is transformed with pumpkins, characters dressed in their favorite costumes, and Disney villains. Enjoy trick or treating, Mickey's Boo to You Halloween Parade, the Hallowishes fireworks show, the Hocus Pocus Villain Spelltacular, and a spookier Haunted Mansion! Feel free to wear a costume to the party but read Disney's costume guidelines before arriving. This ticketed event is on select nights from late August through October.



### Epcot International Food and Wine Festival

A celebration of cuisines from all over the world, where you can dine on a variety of foods and wines around Epcot's World Showcase!

## Winter

All four parks celebrate the holidays, where you'll see wonderful decorations, from Christmas trees to lights. Characters are dressed in their jolly attire, and the shows offer festive entertainment.

One holiday event is ticketed and on select nights from November through early January, which is Mickey's Very Merry Christmas Party. This is celebrated at Magic Kingdom where you can enjoy Mickey's Once Upon a Christmas Parade, the Holiday Wishes fireworks show, desserts, and special Disney characters.



# Additional Entertainment



## Water Parks

Walt Disney World is home to two water parks: Blizzard Beach and Typhoon Lagoon. Blizzard Beach is themed to a ski resort that melted into a wonderland of water. It's home to one of the world's tallest water slides. Typhoon Lagoon is themed to a paradise that was hit by a typhoon. This park is home to one of the world's largest wave pools.



## Disney Springs

A dining, shopping, and entertainment complex themed to the beautiful springs of Florida's rich landscape.

## ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex

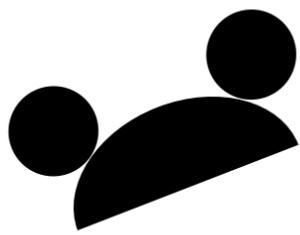
230 acres of professional facilities hosting over 60 sports and thousands of events. Athletes of all ages and abilities can compete, or they can enjoy the excitement as a spectator!



## Golf

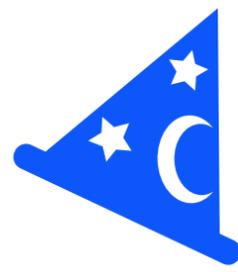
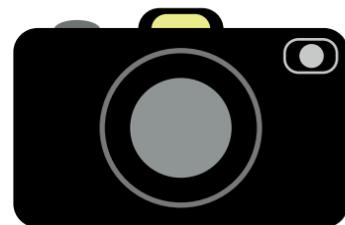
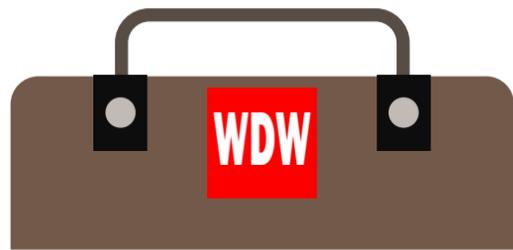
Walt Disney World is home to four 18-hole world-class golf courses and two 18-hole miniature golf courses.





# Disney Bucket List

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Pirates of the Caribbean      | <input type="checkbox"/> TOWER OF TERROR          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Splash Mountain               | <input type="checkbox"/> Rock 'n' Roller Coaster  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Space Mountain                | <input type="checkbox"/> Star Tours               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Country Bear Jamboree         | <input type="checkbox"/> Fantasmic!               |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> It's a Small World            | <input type="checkbox"/> Avatar Flight of Passage |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Enchanted Tiki Room           | <input type="checkbox"/> JUNGLE CRUISE            |
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# Coming Attractions

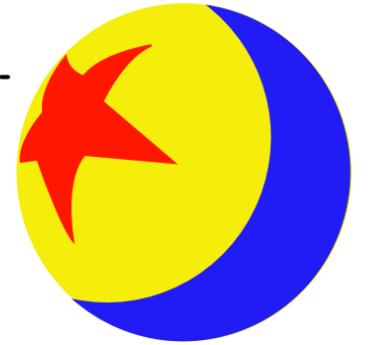
## Toy Story Land

**NOW OPEN** at Disney's Hollywood Studios. Shrink to the size of a toy and explore Andy's backyard, where you'll experience the following attractions:

**Slinky Dog Dash** - A family-friendly roller coaster where Slinky Dog gives you a ride on Andy's Mega Coaster Play Kit.

**Alien Swirling Saucers** - In a playset that Andy won at Pizza Planet, the Aliens give you a wild spin on their flying saucers.

**Toy Story Mania** - A virtual 3D attraction where you play midway carnival games based on the beloved characters from the films.



## Star Wars: Galaxy's Edge

Opening Late Fall 2019 at Disney's Hollywood Studios. On the Planet of Batuu, explore Black Spires Outpost, a port home to smugglers, bounty hunters, and adventurers. Fly the Millennium Falcon and step inside a battle between the Resistance and the First Order.

# Tips

If you want to skip the long lines to experience attractions, I recommend either getting to the parks early or staying late after the nighttime shows. Many of the attractions will have short lines and sometimes no line at all at these times of the day.

Three fast passes are available per person each day, and after you use up all three, you are able to book an additional fast pass, and after using that one you can book another!

## **The Benefits of Staying at an On-Property Hotel**

On-property guests can:

- Experience Extra Magic Hours at the parks. Extra Magic Hours are sometimes in the early morning and sometimes late at night. It's when the parks are only open to guests staying on property and it's a great time to experience the parks before they get crowded.
- Take Disney's Magical Express from Orlando International Airport to a Disney hotel, from the hotel to the airport. Guests have the option of having Disney transport their luggage from the airport to the hotel, and from the hotel and back.
- Take Disney's transportation system from the hotel to the parks and back. Buses are available at each hotel, and there are a few that have monorail and boat transportation.
- Book fast-passes 60 days prior to their trip. Be sure to book on the first day possible for the more popular attractions, such as those in the World of Avatar at Animal Kingdom and Toy Story Land at Disney's Hollywood Studios.

