

Disneyland Resort in Southern California Offers Guests of All Ages a World-Class, Family Vacation Destination

500-Acre Oasis of Disney Magic and Fun Provides Warm Hospitality, Classic Experiences and Unforgettable New Adventures

ANAHEIM, Calif. – On July 17, 1955, Walt Disney opened a groundbreaking new concept in entertainment called **Disneyland**, with the goal of being a place where adults and children, families and friends of all ages could have fun together. Today, Walt’s dream has evolved into a national treasure.

Through six magical decades, the original 18 attractions that comprised Disneyland Park have grown into the Disneyland Resort – a sprawling 500-acre resort destination featuring two renowned Disney parks, three beautiful hotel properties and the exciting entertainment, dining and retail fun of the **Downtown Disney District**.

Located in Anaheim, California, approximately 25 miles south of Los Angeles, the Disneyland Resort provides guests from around the world with thrills, fun and unique Disney magic. The Resort features two theme parks, the original **Disneyland** and **Disney California** Adventure Park, along with one of the best hotels in Southern California, as named by Condé Nast Traveler’s 2017 Readers’ Choice Awards, **Disney’s Grand Californian Hotel & Spa**. The Disneyland Resort is one of the top-rated family resort destinations in the country, according to many travel surveys.

The resort continues to grow and offer magical experiences for guests. In 2018, Pixar will come to life like never before at both Disneyland Park and Disney California Adventure to celebrate friendship and beyond, with the first-ever [Pixar Fest](#) celebration opening April 13 and a new land, Pixar Pier, opening for summer.

Pixar Fest, the biggest theme park celebration of beloved stories and characters from Pixar Animation Studios, will be a must-do experience at the Disneyland Resort. During this limited time event, guests will be among the first to enjoy a new Pixar-themed fireworks spectacular, the return of two favorite parades with new Pixar surprises, new décor, atmosphere entertainment and more.

DISNEYLAND

Renowned as “The Happiest Place on Earth,” Disneyland is Walt Disney’s original theme park and the centerpiece of the Disneyland Resort. Covering 85-acres, it has grown over the past six decades to include eight themed “lands” including Main Street, U.S.A., Adventureland, Frontierland, New Orleans Square, Critter Country, Fantasyland, Mickey’s Toontown and Tomorrowland.

Featuring more than 60 adventures and attractions, Disneyland boasts some of the most quintessential

Disney theme park experiences in the world including classics such as **Pirates of the Caribbean, Haunted Mansion, Jungle Cruise, Walt Disney's Enchanted Tiki Room, "it's a small world," Matterhorn Bobsleds** and **Indiana Jones Adventure**.

With unforgettable seasonal events featuring popular shows and attractions such as **Haunted Mansion Holiday, Space Mountain Ghost Galaxy, "it's a small world" Holiday**, snowfall on Main Street, U.S.A and "A Christmas Fantasy" Parade, Disneyland is an ever-evolving experience. As Walt Disney desired, Disneyland is in constant state of "becoming" with new adventures and attractions always on the drawing board.

In 2006, Pirates of the Caribbean, the classic Disneyland attraction brought to the big screen in Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl, added new characters (such as Captain Jack Sparrow and Barbossa) from the blockbuster entertainment franchise.

In June 2007, **Finding Nemo Submarine Voyage** surfaced in Tomorrowland. The underwater adventure features the eight submarines of the fondly remembered "Submarine Voyage" attraction and is inspired by the Disney presentation of the Pixar Animation Studios film, "Finding Nemo."

In 2013, Disney Princesses began interacting with park guests in the new **Fantasy Faire**, a royal setting near the iconic Sleeping Beauty Castle. Guests may also see Mickey Mouse and other Disney characters in a dazzling adventure filled with music, fun and special effects at the stage show "Mickey and the Magical Map," presented daily on the Fantasyland Theatre stage.

In 2011, guests began exploring new adventures – six new destinations in more than 50 different 3D combinations – at **Star Tours – The Adventures Continue**. A thrilling new adventure inspired by the film, "Star Wars: The Last Jedi," landed at the attraction in 2017. Construction of the new Star Wars-themed land, **Star Wars: Galaxy's Edge**, began in 2016. The new land will open in 2019 and guests will find themselves in the middle of the action as they live their own Star Wars journey.

DISNEY CALIFORNIA ADVENTURE

Disney California Adventure, located across from Disneyland, offers guests even more fun with some of the most popular attractions and shows at the resort. Through Disney storytelling and imagination, Disney California Adventure invites guests to enjoy the wonder and beauty of California in its themed lands: Hollywood Land, "a bug's land," Pacific Wharf, Paradise Pier, Grizzly Peak and two additions in 2012: the colorful and welcoming Buena Vista Street marking the entrance to Disney California Adventure, and the spectacular 12-acre Cars Land, inspired by the Radiator Springs setting of the Disney●Pixar movie "Cars." In 2015, the Condor Flats area was reimagined as Grizzly Peak Airfield, an extension of Grizzly Peak inspired by the lush High Sierras of California.

This summer, the wonderful worlds of Pixar will get a new home at Disney California Adventure Park. The area that is currently Paradise Pier will transform into Pixar Pier, with the thrilling new **Incredicoaster**, four new imaginative neighborhoods, plus entertainment, themed food and beverage, and merchandise.

In 2017, the thrilling new attraction **Guardians of the Galaxy – Mission: BREAKOUT!** opened in Hollywood Land. This epic new adventure combines a breathtaking free-fall sensation with all-new visual and audio effects, including music inspired by the popular "Guardians of the Galaxy" film soundtrack.

Continuing the growth of Disneyland Resort as a multi-day, world-class vacation destination, Disney Imagineers have brought more of Walt Disney into the 60 acres of Disney California Adventure. The park celebrates the hope and optimism of California that attracted Walt to this land of opportunity in the 1920s. In

2010, the nighttime water spectacular **“World of Color”** debuted, with a new viewing area along Paradise Bay. In 2011, guests began taking magical journeys on **The Little Mermaid ~ Ariel’s Undersea Adventure**. In 2012, **Buena Vista Street**, inspired by the Los Angeles of the 1920s and ‘30s, began welcoming guests entering Disney California Adventure with the Red Car Trolley and an array of restaurants and shops.

Cars Land, opened in 2012, with its vast Radiator Springs landscape, “road trip”-themed restaurants and shops, and exciting attractions. Today, Cars Land features fan favorites such as the thrilling highway competition of **Radiator Springs Racers**, the swinging, dancing tractors of **Mater’s Junkyard Jamboree**, the tasty “cone-coctions” of **Cozy Cone Motel** and the delicious house-made pies of Flo’s V8 Cafe. In 2016, **Luigi’s Rollickin’ Roadsters** introduced guests to Luigi’s cousins, miniature Italian roadsters, in a spinning festivity across a trackless “dance floor.”

One of the signature attractions at Disney California Adventure is the recently reimagined **Soarin’ Around the World**, a breathtaking virtual hang gliding tour over some of the world’s most amazing landmarks and scenic wonders. Another guest favorite is **Toy Story Mania!**, an attraction that invites guests to enjoy a high-scoring, immersive adventure, entering a wild 4D world of game play. Along with Woody, Buzz and favorite “Toy Story” characters, special effects add a fourth dimension of fun.

Guests at Disney California Adventure experience California-style fun on such attractions as the icy-cold, white-knuckle rafting of the **Grizzly River Run**. Fun is even found in the smallest of places such as a **bug’s land**, inspired by the Disney●Pixar film “A Bug’s Life.”

The 2000-seat Hyperion Theater presents the spectacular stage production “Frozen – Live at the Hyperion” immersing guests in the world of Arendelle with elaborate costumes and sets, special effects and scenic transformations. In the nearby Disney Animation attraction, **Turtle Talk with Crush** provides fun for the whole family with some interactive magic.

Guests at Disney California Adventure also may meet Anna and Elsa at **“Anna & Elsa’s Royal Welcome”** and encounter their favorite Marvel super heroes including Spider-Man, Captain America and additional characters for a limited time such as Thor and Loki, and Black Panther.

DOWNTOWN DISNEY DISTRICT

Bridging the two theme parks and three hotels is Downtown Disney District, an admission-free entertainment, dining and retail district. The 300,000-plus square-foot Downtown Disney District includes two **Starbucks** locations, **ESPN Zone**, **Sprinkles**, **Rainforest Café**, **Ralph Brennan’s Jazz Kitchen**, **Catal Restaurant & Uva Bar**, and more than 20 retail shops including **Sephora**, **PANDORA Jewelry** and the **LEGO Imagination Center**. Guests can also board a **Disneyland Monorail** for a trip from the high-energy of Downtown Disney to the futuristic landscape of Tomorrowland in Disneyland.

The Downtown Disney District is embarking on an ambitious, promenade-wide transformation in 2018. A recent addition to Downtown Disney is the new, hyper-reality experience, **Star Wars: Secrets of the Empire** by ILMxLAB and The Void transports guests deep into the beloved Star Wars universe allowing them to walk freely and untethered throughout the multi-sensory experience with friends and family. **Splitsville Luxury Lanes**, a family-friendly restaurant with a unique combination of dining, bowling and live entertainment opens in early 2018. **Disney Home** will offer fans a variety of Disney-themed home goods. **Black Tap Craft Burgers & Beer** will open its first California location in the heart of Downtown Disney in 2018. Known for its award-winning burgers and signature CrazyShake™ milkshakes, Black Tap will be set in a casual atmosphere reminiscent of a classic American luncheonette, but with a distinctly New York vibe.

DISNEYLAND RESORT HOTELS

The Disneyland Resort is also home to three hotels that are just footsteps away from the thrills of the Disneyland Resort theme parks and the multitude of dining, entertainment and shopping at the Downtown Disney District. As a walking resort with close proximity of all parks and locales, the Disneyland Resort is noted for its convenience and ease of navigation, making it an ideal vacation destination for families with small children.

Designed in California's renowned Arts and Crafts style of the late 19th and early 20th centuries, **Disney's Grand Californian Hotel & Spa** is a true testament to Disney's hospitality and creativity. Disney's Grand Californian Hotel & Spa was recently refurbished, bringing new magic to the deluxe hotel with completely redesigned guest rooms plus a refreshed lobby, pool area and concierge-level lounge. It was the most extensive refurbishment since the hotel's 2001 opening, and elevates the premium guest experience and brings a contemporary approach to the Arts & Crafts design style.

The Grand Californian hotel has 948 guest rooms, including 44 guest suites, and 50 two-bedroom equivalent vacation villas. Those vacation villas, which include kitchens, living and dining areas and other home-like amenities, make up the first West Coast appearance of Disney Vacation Club, Disney's innovative vacation-ownership program.

The hotel also has an array of fine dining including the nationally renowned and award-winning **Napa Rose** restaurant that provides specialty dining dishes, spectacular views of Disney California Adventure and expert sommeliers to assist in making the perfect selection from one of the finest collections of California wines anywhere in the world. **Storyteller's Cafe** is another dining experience within the hotel where kids and adults alike can enjoy a distinct meal with some of Disney's favorite characters, including Chip & Dale. The Grand Californian also has three pools and the luxurious **Mandara Spa**.

For more than 50 years, the iconic **Disneyland Hotel** has provided its guests with a rich tradition of fun and warm hospitality. The award-winning hotel has 973 guest rooms and 72 suites along with an array of fine dining, including the award-winning **Steakhouse 55** and **Goofy's Kitchen**. A major renovation of Disneyland Hotel was completed in 2012, including updated rooms with new décor and surprises, a cleverly themed new water play area, two swimming pools, the **Tangaroa Terrace** casual-dining restaurant, **Trader Sam's Enchanted Tiki Bar** and re-theming of the hotel's three guest room towers.

California's breezy laidback beach lifestyle is in full effect at **Disney's Paradise Pier Hotel**. Inspired by a beach boardwalk hotel and boasting spectacular views of Disney California Adventure, the hotel has 481 rooms, including 25 suites. For children, the dining highlight at **PCH Grill** features "Surf's Up! Breakfast with Mickey & Friends," a character experience.

Guests may relax at the scenic outdoor terrace with its sparkling pool and bubbling spa.

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About the Disneyland Resort

[The Disneyland Resort](#) features two spectacular theme parks - Disneyland (the original Disney theme park) and Disney California Adventure Park - plus three hotels and the Downtown Disney District, comprising unique dining, entertainment and shopping experiences. The Resort's hotels are the luxurious, 948-room Disney's Grand Californian Hotel & Spa, which also features 50 two-bedroom equivalent Disney Vacation Club units; the magical, 973-room Disneyland Hotel - both AAA Four Diamond properties - and the 481-room Disney's Paradise Pier Hotel with its "day-at-the-beach" theme. For information on attractions and vacations

at the Disneyland Resort, visit Disneyland.com, call (866) 43-DISNEY or contact local travel agents. Located in Anaheim, Calif., the Disneyland Resort opened July 17, 1955. Open daily, year- round.

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