

When the Sun Sets, the Fun Rises . . . Disney After Dark Shines Brightly

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. — What could top a magical day in the Vacation Kingdom? How about Disney after dark, featuring lively entertainment, world-class cuisine and other ways to light the night?

When the sun sets over Disney's four world-famous theme parks, the fun rises throughout Walt Disney World Resort with a galaxy of nighttime options such as top-name entertainment, dueling pianos or delicacies by award-winning chefs. Here's a peek at what's in store...

At **Downtown Disney West Side**, a waterfront district with eclectic eateries and top-name entertainment offerings, nightlife is hot, hot, hot. Highlights:

- The fantasy of Cirque du Soleil comes to life twice nightly, five days a week with **La Nouba**, a dramatic production that combines acrobatics, artistic dance and gymnastics in a permanent, free-standing theater.
- Chart-topping musical groups performing live jazz, country, gospel and R&B are on the menu along with authentic Mississippi Delta cuisine at **House of Blues**.
- A five-story, 100,000-square-foot interactive playground, **DisneyQuest** is a "theme park in a box" with innovative virtual reality and interactive fun for the whole family.
- Backed by superstar Gloria Estefan and her husband/producer Emilio, **Bongos Cuban Café** brings a taste of Miami's South Beach to Downtown Disney with Latin rhythms and cubano cuisine.
- Culinary delights created by Wolfgang Puck himself at **Wolfgang Puck Café and Dining Room** include wood-fired pizzas, full sushi bar and other signature dishes.
- The latest flicks are on the big screens of two dozen theaters — some with stadium seating — at the **AMC 24 Theatres** complex.

At nightfall, **Disney's BoardWalk** captures the charm of yesteryear at the mid-Atlantic seashore. Guests can stroll the twinkling boardwalk, rent surrey bikes, try out amusing carnival games or visit themed restaurants, clubs and showplaces:

- Partiers can join in a raucous sing-along to favorite tunes at **Jellyrolls**, a dueling piano bar set in an old warehouse.
- Dancing to the sounds of a variety of music in a grand dance hall is a reality at **Atlantic Dance**. Hand-rolled cigars, specialty martinis, cognacs and light appetizers are offered at this elegant dance venue.
- The best in sports is captured on more than 80 television monitors at **ESPN Club**. Trivia contests, a sports-themed video arcade and full-service restaurant round out the fun.

Kid-friendly dinner shows, a romantic table for two, or trendy tapas headline the menu of **hundreds of dining options** at Walt Disney World Resort. Here's just a taste:

- **Victoria & Albert's** is the creme de la creme of Disney dining at the flagship Disney's Grand Floridian Resort & Spa. Whether a romantic evening out or a special celebration, the impeccable service and ever-changing menu are unparalleled. It has earned a AAA 5-Diamond distinction.
- A panoramic lookout over Magic Kingdom isn't the only view at the award-winning **California Grill** at Disney's Contemporary Resort. Guests look on as chefs craft culinary creations in an open kitchen in this award-winning L.A.-style restaurant.
- Located at Disney's BoardWalk, **Kouzzina** by Cat Cora features a menu of Mediterranean-style cuisine that pays tribute to Chef Cora's Greek roots.
- A family favorite since 1974, "**Hoop-Dee-Do Musical Revue**" is a wacky saloon-hall dinner show with a hollering troupe of performers and bottomless bucket of barbecue, beers and strawberry shortcake. The popular show is

staged three times nightly at Disney's Fort Wilderness Resort and Campground.

- For family dinner-show fun that brings the flavor of a far-away island paradise to the shores of Seven Seas Lagoon, there's the "**Polynesian Luau**" at Disney's Polynesian Resort where guests can enjoy the interactive "Disney's Spirit of Aloha Dinner Show."

Before you leave the theme parks, how about a kiss goodnight? "**Wishes**" at Magic Kingdom and "**IllumiNations: Reflections of Earth**" at Epcot are two spectacular fireworks shows that dazzle the night sky with bright bursts of color. "**Fantasmic!**" is a brilliant display of lasers, fireworks and water animation at Disney's Hollywood Studios. And when the lights go out on select nights at Magic Kingdom, the lights of the "**SpectroMagic**" parade shine brightly and twinkle as the parade makes its way across the theme park with beloved Disney characters in tow.

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