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‘Count’ on Having a Waterful Time at Walt Disney World Resort

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. — Even its hometown suggests a beautiful place of water. And Walt Disney World Resort in Lake Buena Vista does not disappoint:

There are more than 850 acres of lakes featuring nearly 130,000 feet of shoreline. And that’s just on “the surface”: Beneath the surface of the seven largest lakes are a combined 3.122 billion gallons of water.

There are 66 miles of canals. Water parks. One of the world’s largest enclosed marine environments. Theme park attractions featuring water. Recreation in, on and above the water.

It’s a ***waterful*** world, after all. And here are some of the highlights by the numbers …

- ***2.385 billion gallons*** – that’s the volume of water in Bay Lake and adjoining Seven Seas Lagoon, at a combined 596 acres the two largest lakes at Walt Disney World Resort.
- ***9*** – that’s the number of theme park attractions for which guests board boats for a floating adventure: **Jungle Cruise, Pirates of the Caribbean, Splash Mountain, Liberty Square Riverboat, it’s a small world,** Norway’s **Maelstrom, Living With the Land, El Rio del Tiempo** (River of Time), and **Kali River Rapids**. Also notable: a raft ride across the Rivers of America to **Tom Sawyer Island**, and the flying pirate ships of **Peter Pan’s Flight**.
- ***15 (at least!)*** – that’s the number of other theme park attractions, shows and interactive entertainment during which water plays – or sprays – a memorable role. Here’s the lineup:
    - **Disney’s Hollywood Studios Backlot Tour** (flash flood in Catastrophe Canyon)
    - **“Fantasmic!”** (dancing fountains, water screens and shiploads of character drama)
    - **“Jim Henson’s Muppet*Vision 3-D”** (surprise special effects)
    - **“Voyage of the Little Mermaid”** (the entire story theme is “Under the Sea”)
    - **“Lights, Motors, Action! Extreme Stunt Show”** (jet ski featured in one scene)
    - **“Fountain of Nations”** (dramatic, computer-choreographed water ballet in Innoventions Plaza at Epcot)
    - **The Seas with Nemo & Friends** (with 5.7 million gallons of water, one of the largest man-made ocean environments in the world)
    - **“IllumiNations: Reflections of Earth”** (there are fireworks, for sure, but also fountains … and it all takes place on 36.9-acre World Showcase Lagoon)
    - **Imagination! fountains** (quirky fountains in the plaza entertain guests with spurts and streams)
    - **The Magic Carpets of Aladdin** (beware the spitting camel)
    - **Journey Into Imagination with Figment** (imagine bathroom fixtures installed on the ceiling)
    - **The Great Movie Ride** (Gene Kelly is still “Singin’ in the Rain”)
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Walt Disney's Enchanted Tiki Room (the Audio-Animatronics cast sings up a tropical storm)

- ***1,350 gallons per minute*** – that's what each jet nozzle puts out to propel riders of Crush 'n' Gusher, the white-knuckle "water coaster" at Typhoon Lagoon water park.
- ***120 feet high and 60 miles per hour*** – those are the critical numbers for Blizzard Beach water park's Summit Plummet, one of the world's tallest and fastest water park speed slides.
- ***500-plus*** – that's the number of watercraft in the largest rental fleet in the world – of Sea Raycers, canopy boats, float boats, jet boats, sailboats, rowing boats, pedal boats and canoes.
- ***52*** – that's the number of feet of luxurious yacht in Grand 1, available for charter cruises on Seven Seas Lagoon and Bay Lake. The captain and first mate welcome aboard private parties of up to 18 people at the Grand Floridian Marina.
- ***600*** – that's the number of guests who can ride aboard the largest of the water launches that are part of the Walt Disney World transportation system: Three 600-passenger ferry boats ply the waters of Seven Seas Lagoon between Magic Kingdom and the Transportation and Ticket Center. Also operating as part of the Walt Disney World guest transportation system:
    - Six 39-passenger motor launches and three 120-passenger motor cruisers on Seven Seas Lagoon and Bay Lake (transporting guests among five resorts and Magic Kingdom)
    - Eight 100-passenger Friendship boats on World Showcase Lagoon at Epcot and on waterways connecting the Epcot resort area with Disney's Hollywood Studios and Epcot
    - Nine 32-passenger and six 37-passenger motor launches make up the Sassagoula River Cruise fleet that transport guests between Disney's Port Orleans Resort, Disney's Old Key West Resort, Disney's Saratoga Springs Resort and Downtown Disney (every 20 minutes beginning at 10 a.m. and continuing until 11 p.m.)
    - One 24-passenger Downtown Disney Water Taxi travels on Village Lake between the Marketplace dock, Pleasure Island dock and West Side dock (operating daily after 4:30 p.m.)
- ***57*** – that's the number of sparkling pools to enjoy among the 24 themed Disney resorts. There also are 12 beach areas.
- ***14.25 pounds*** – that's the weight of the largest largemouth bass landed out of Bay Lake. Two-hour private fishing excursions with a bass guide are offered for parties of up to five guests – and the fishing is great: The waters were stocked in the 1970s and the fishing is all catch-and-release.
- ***And more***- that's the additional water fun in store at **Blizzard Beach** and **Typhoon Lagoon** water parks, during nighttime performances of the floating light show **"Electrical Water Pageant,"** while exploring the geyser field at **Disney's Animal Kingdom Lodge**, in the lush gardens of **Disney's Polynesian Resort**, during a mealtime at **Rainforest Café**, during a session of parasailing, water skiing or wakeboarding at **Sammy Duvall's Water Sports Centre**, while taking a Wild Africa Trek at **Disney's Animal Kingdom** or while experiencing Virtual Jungle Cruise or Pirates of the Caribbean: Battle for Buccaneer Gold at **DisneyQuest**.

Additional information about the waterful fun of Walt Disney World Resort is available at www.disneyworld.com or by calling Guest Information at 407/824-4321.

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