Walt Disney World News

# Walt Disney World Resort Pampers Guests With Upscale Vacation Options

## Spas, Fine Dining and Amenities Add to Perfect Getaway

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla.- Walt Disney World Resort guests have endless choices for fun and relaxation during their stay at deluxe Resort hotels. For guests living the lavish life – or those who just feel like splurging – Walt Disney World Resort rolls out a “red carpet” of sophisticated dining, pampering and frolicking to suit a luxurious lifestyle.

Some high-class highlights:

***It’s a Suite Life*** — Disney’s Yacht Club Resort, Disney’s Beach Club Resort, Disney’s Animal Kingdom Lodge, Disney’s Contemporary Resort, Disney’s Grand Floridian Resort & Spa, Disney’s Wilderness Lodge and Disney’s BoardWalk Inn offer not only picture-postcard views and architectural detail, but spacious suites, concierge service and enough amenities to make guests feel like royalty.

***Fine Wine & Dining*** — With hundreds of dining options at Walt Disney World Resort, there are plenty of selections for an evening of specialty dining, including California Grill at Disney’s Contemporary Resort, which was reimagined in fall 2013 with a complete design transformation and new menu showcasing seasonal ingredients and a lighter touch. Jiko–The Cooking Place at Disney’s Animal Kingdom Lodge, Flying Fish Café at Disney’s BoardWalk and Citricos at Disney’s Grand Floridian Resort & Spa are just a few of guest favorites.

More than 400 sommeliers, 248 culinary managers and 380 wines from more than 14 countries can be found at Walt Disney World Resort.

Among the highly-renowned fine dining restaurants on property, Victoria & Albert’s at the Grand Floridian Resort & Spa, with its extensive wine list and choice of seven prix fixe courses, is a popular spot for special-occasion dining. Throughout dinner, soft harp music fills the air as guests dine on gourmet meals and sumptuous desserts while sipping first-rate wines. The restaurant is the recipient of the AAA Five Diamond rating since 2000.

Victoria & Albert’s boasts an extensive wine cellar – one that has been recognized by *Wine Spectator* magazine with an “Award of Excellence” and earned *Forbes* Travel Guide Four Star. Guests with a real culinary curiosity who book far enough in advance can sit at the coveted Chef’s Table in Victoria & Albert’s kitchen and receive personal attention from the chef himself.

***Tastes from Around the “World”***- Guests also can sample culinary delights from around the globe at Epcot. World Showcase boasts flavors from Mexico, Norway, China, Germany, Italy, America, Japan, Morocco, France, U.K. and Canada, sending guests on a delectable journey that is true to each culture represented there.

***Tea Time Treats*** — After a glorious afternoon outside, guests can take time for traditional English-style tea inside the Garden View Tea Room at Disney’s Grand Floridian Resort & Spa. Reservations are accepted daily from 2-5 p.m. Guests lounge on plush pillows at wicker tables overlooking the resort grounds while sipping tea from fine white china etched in pink roses and savoring fresh summer strawberries with cream, or homemade scones and sweet jam tarts. Alternate teas and a menu selection for children are available. Guests may call 407/WDW-DINE for information and reservations.

***The Royal “Treatment”*** — Guests feel ready to conquer the “World” after a pampering session from an expert

massage therapist at Senses – A Disney Spa at Saratoga Springs Resort or Grand Floridian Resort & Spa. Spa-goers can choose from a menu of services ranging from water therapy, a sugar exfoliation body treatment, warm stone massage, rejuvenating citrus facial, to couples' massages and more. Young guests can get the VIP treatment as their toes soak in playful Mad Hatter themed green pedi chair, just their size, and Princess Pedicures or Magical Manicures are available for youngsters ages 4-12. To schedule an appointment, call 407/WDW-SPAS.

***Discover the Magic*** — Through the VIP Tour Service, Disney offers a private concierge service to suit vacationers' needs and curiousities. Providing a carefree way to discover the magic of all four theme parks, a VIP Tour Guide arranges priority seating for all Walt Disney World restauratns and special viewing areas at parades and live stage shows. For those who don't want to "lift a finger," even guests' shopping needs can be arranged through the VIP Tour Service with guides scouting the shops to retrieve those perfect items. All VIP tours are a minimum of six consecutive hours for up to 10 guests per tour guide. Guests may call Disney VIP Tour Services at 407/560-4033.

***Wedding Wows and Fairy Tale Vows*** – The sky is the limit for themed weddings — from an enchanting Cinderella-like wedding in Magic Kingdom or a Hollywood extravaganza in Disney's Hollywood Studios to international-themed nuptials at Epcot and a safari-themed reception at Disney's Animal Kingdom. Some brides and grooms choose non-traditional methods of transportation to arrive at the ceremony such as on horseback, Aladdin's magic carpet, Cinderella's glass coach, a horse-drawn carriage or vintage automobile. Disney's Wedding Pavilion, a glass-enclosed enclave fashioned after a grand Victorian summerhouse with a picturesque backdrop of Cinderella Castle, provides a majestic location for couples tying the knot. For more information about Disney's premium Escape Wedding Collection packages, guests may contact 321/939-4623 or visit www.disneyweddings.com.

***Fun "Fore" All*** – For aspiring golfers who want to add swank to their swing, private golf instruction at Disney's premiere Palm and Magnolia Golf Courses provide the answer. With one-on-one instruction, Disney PGA professionals offer the ultimate learning experience on beautifully manicured courses with wide fairways and undulating greens. And there's a chance to test skills on two additional championship-caliber Disney courses, Disney's Oak Trail Golf Course and Disney's Lake Buena Vista Golf Course. Guests may call 407/WDW-GOLF for pricing and other information.

***Catch a Wave*** – Private Party surf is always up at Disney's Typhoon Lagoon Water Park where guests can have the 2.75-million-gallon pool all to themselves with its promise of perfect swells. Surfboards are normally prohibited at the park when open to the public, so this is a chance to close the park and catch a wave. To surf in style, call 407/939-7873. The wave pool is available for private rentals before or after the park's regular hours, which vary seasonally.

***A Grand Voyage*** – The luxurious Grand 1 yacht at Disney's Grand Floridian Resort & Spa hosts soirees of family and friends for cruises as fireworks burst in the distance…or romantic cruises for two while guests sip champagne and indulge in chocolate-dipped strawberries. Butler service, food and beverage are available for an additional charge. Guests may call 407/824-2682 to book a reservation.

***The Need for Speed*** – At Walt Disney World Speedway, guests can channel Richard Petty for the day and climb behind the wheel of a NASCAR and race up to 50 laps on the mile-long tri-oval racetrack, ride shotgun in a 2-seater with a professional driving instructor, or get behind the wheel of supercars by Ferrari, Lamborghini, Audi and Porsche during the Exotic Driving Experience. For reservations and information, guests may call 407/WDW-PLAY.

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