

# New Fantasyland, A Year of Surprises, All-New Disney Spas and More Welcome Walt Disney World Resort Guests in 2013

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. – Even more magic is in store for Walt Disney World Resort guests in 2013. From the excitement of New Fantasyland to new *tres français* additions to Epcot dining, from being grandly pampered at a new Grand Floridian spa to weekly guest surprises only Disney can do – all this and more welcomes guests in 2013.

In the shadows of Cinderella Castle rises New Fantasyland, welcoming Magic Kingdom guests into classic storybook worlds where elephants fly and castles touch the sky, where a beauty meets a beast and a mermaid plays under the sea.

Representing the largest expansion in Magic Kingdom history, Fantasyland doubles in size with the addition of Enchanted Tales with Belle, Under the Sea ~ Journey of the Little Mermaid, Be Our Guest Restaurant, a re-themed Barnstormer Featuring the Great Goofini, two carousels of Dumbo, the Flying Elephant (complete with interactive queue), Gaston's Tavern, Pete's Silly Sideshow, a new family play area and much more.

Here's a look around what 2013 holds for guests to Florida's Vacation Kingdom:

## Even More New Fantasyland to Debut in 2013

On top of the flurry of those December 2012 grand openings in the expanded New Fantasyland, 2013 sees another new addition to the pixie-dusted lineup. Disney princesses including Cinderella, Tiana and Rapunzel will have a new home for meeting their loyal subjects when Princess Fairytale Hall opens in 2013 in the shadows of Cinderella Castle. The castle-like entrance will feature walls of stone and stained glass windows leading to a large, high-ceilinged room where portraits of the princesses adorn the walls. When summoned, Magic Kingdom guests will proceed to elegantly furnished chambers to meet the princesses. Another coming attraction, Seven Dwarfs Mine Train — a first-of-its-kind coaster with ride vehicles that swing back and forth — makes its debut in spring 2014.

## ***Limited Time Magic***

Disney Parks guests will get an extra dash of pixie dust in 2013 with Limited Time Magic. Themed weekly surprises and special offers will surprise and delight Disney Parks guests with 52 weeks of the unexpected. Plans include everything from dance parties, new festivals and character meet and greets to culinary treats, special entertainment and commemorative keepsakes. The bicoastal offering — created to remind guests about the importance of family vacation time together — is full of unique, magical, memory-filled experiences – all available for a limited time only. Special experiences include Valentine's *week* with enchanting dinners, or photo shoots with famous Disney character couples; a patriotic salute during July 4<sup>th</sup> week with red, white and blue lights adorning castles on both coasts and limited edition souvenirs; or the popular Dapper Dans barbershop quartet swapping their old-time melodies for surprise renditions of today's boy band hits. Each Limited Time Magic offering will have a varying length from a day to a week to a season adding to the element of surprise. For more information about Limited Time Magic, guests should visit [www.LimitedTimeMagic.com](http://www.LimitedTimeMagic.com).

## ***Bernard and Shirley Kinsey Collection Comes to Epcot in 2013***

The American story of determination, courage, hope, struggle and inspiration will be told through more than 40 pieces of art, artifacts, books sculptures and documents on display at Epcot. The American Adventure Pavilion will be home to the Kinsey's personal treasures of African-American art and history, amassed from their travels to 90 countries with some works dating to the 17<sup>th</sup> century. The Kinsey Collection is the intersection where art and history meet, a virtual history book opened wide, giving voice to untold stories of accomplishment and contribution. After previews during African-American Heritage Month in February, the Kinsey Collection is scheduled to open in March 2013. The Kinsey Collection, at the American Heritage Gallery, will be included in Epcot admission.

## ***A Pirate's Adventure: Treasures of the Seven Seas To Debut At Magic Kingdom***

A new interactive quest, A Pirate's Adventure: Treasures of the Seven Seas, will debut in Adventureland at Magic Kingdom Park in Spring 2013. In A Pirate's Adventure: Treasures of the Seven Seas, guests will use a pirate map and 'magic' talisman to help them complete five different pirate raids throughout Adventureland. While final details will be shared at a later date, the goal is to help locate different Treasures of the Seven Seas and fight off pirate enemies like the Royal Navy and Captain Barbossa, among others.

## ***Swashbuckling Fun at Disney's Hollywood Studios: The Legend of Captain Jack Sparrow immersive experience***

Pirates of the Caribbean: The Legend of Captain Jack Sparrow is a new experience now on view at Disney's Hollywood Studios, giving Walt Disney World Resort guests a chance to become immersed in the action and adventure of the four "Pirates of the Caribbean" films. Aspiring buccaneers journey deep into an eerie lost grotto, where a mysterious pirate skull puts them to the test to see if they have what it takes to set sail with Captain Jack's crew. Along the way, they must face all the perils of a pirate's life as their favorite moments from the films come to life. State-of-the-art technology brings the pirate's life to guests, including an epic ship-to-ship battle. The attraction is included with theme park admission and is located in Soundstage 4 near Pixar Place.

## ***Senses – A Disney Spa at Disney's Grand Floridian Resort***

If the new year means a new you, the just-opened *Senses – A Disney Spa at Disney's Grand Floridian Resort* welcomes Walt Disney World Resort guests to renew and rejuvenate in 2013. The newly-remodeled spa, owned and operated by Disney, blends Grand Floridian Victorian elegance with modern touches – plus a dash of Disney whimsy.

All the senses are engaged in an ultimate relaxation experience – flavorful and soothing elixirs, color variations in lighting and Disney orchestral music harmonize with the treatment selected. Spa-goers walk through the new Victorian-style entryway and indulge in the spa's *relax*, *renew*, or *imagine* themes aimed at creating a custom experience. The centerpiece of the spa's lobby is an original mural reflecting old Florida landscape and nature. Glass mosaic tiles in the Jacuzzi rooms further enhance the elegance and sophistication of the spa.

Fifteen treatment rooms offer pampering services such as water therapy, sugar exfoliation body treatment, rejuvenating citrus facial, a restorative hand and foot ritual with Chinese Jasmine oils, plus a Princess Pedicure or Magical Manicure for youngsters ages 4-12. Lounges, whirlpools and treatment rooms all provide rejuvenation through the healing nature of Florida citrus and botanicals.

The new menu of services also includes a signature 80-minute Grand Floridian treatment featuring a special aromatherapy massage.

Guests can book a spa appointment at the new *Senses – A Disney Spa at Disney's Grand Floridian Resort* by

calling 407-WDW-SPAS (407-939-7727) or learn more by visiting [www.disneyworld.com/spas](http://www.disneyworld.com/spas)

All of the spas, salons and fitness centers will be owned and operated by Disney beginning Jan.16, 2013. On that same day the spa at Disney's Saratoga Springs Resort will temporarily close for renovation and reopen in the summer as *Senses – A Disney Spa at Disney's Saratoga Springs Resort*.

## Disney Junior – Live on Stage! Updated for 2013

*Disney Junior – Live on Stage!* at Disney's Hollywood Studios and Disney California Adventure features the latest, most popular characters and stories from the Disney Junior line-up on television. For 2013, the top-rated "Doc McStuffins" and "Sofia the First" have joined the show. The new version of *Disney Junior – Live on Stage!* is featured at Disney's Hollywood Studios and Disney California Adventure. "Sofia the First" as a regular series premiered Friday, Jan. 11, on Disney Channel and Disney Junior.

## ESPN Wide World of Sports Hosts Drew Brees Passing Academy

The Drew Brees Passing Academy and Tournament, a four-day football camp and 7-on-7 event for high school players, makes its debut at the ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex, June 27-30, 2013. Brees, the New Orleans Saints' All-Pro quarterback, and other NFL stars will provide insider tips and hands-on training on the art of the passing game as well as offer three days of highly-competitive 7-on-7 competition. For more information go to [www.ksaevents.net](http://www.ksaevents.net)

## More Starbucks Coffee Locations Coming to Disney Parks

Starbucks will be opening locations at Disney theme parks at the Walt Disney World Resort and Disneyland Resort. The first two Walt Disney World locations will open in 2013. At Magic Kingdom, Main Street Bakery will close for refurbishment in January 2013. When it reopens in early summer, Main Street Bakery will keep its name and theming and continue to serve Disney favorites like cookies, brownies and seasonal cupcakes, in addition to Starbucks signature beverages and other menu items. At Epcot, Fountain View will temporarily close in March 2013. When Fountain View reopens in midsummer, it will serve Starbucks products. Each Starbucks location inside a Disney Park will reflect the theme of its surroundings. At Magic Kingdom Park for example, Cast Members will wear a costume consistent with the early 20th century look and feel of Main Street, U.S.A. At Future World in Epcot, the new Starbucks location and Cast Member costumes will be designed to match the park's futuristic theme.

## What's New, What's Next Dining at Disney

There's always exciting news on the dining front at Walt Disney World Resort.

- Look for the Mickey Check on the kids' menu at **Be Our Guest Restaurant**, the first location to offer "Kids' Complete Meals" featuring the Mickey Check, part of Disney Magic of Healthy Living, and on all quick-service menus at both Walt Disney World Resort and Disneyland Resort. The Mickey Check will be on all table-service menus by Jan. 5, 2013. The Mickey Check helps identify nutritious food choices.
- **California Grill** at Disney's Contemporary Resort gets a major makeover and will be closed from Feb. 1, 2013 until summer 2013. Chef Brian Piasecki also is tweaking the menu, but the focus will remain on fresh, seasonal creations.
- Upstairs at the France pavilion, **Bistro de Paris** has reopened with a new name and a completely refurbished dining room and new menu. Still *haute* French but a bit more casual, with a nod to famed chef Paul Bocuse in the décor and the name – **Monsieur Paul**. In the meantime, *Boulangerie Patisserie* bakery is a brand-new building at the back of the pavilion, opening in January 2013.
- **Citricos** at Disney's Grand Floridian Resort & Spa now offers a private dining experience in The Chef's Domain for up to 10 guests. Available Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, cost is \$155 per person plus tax (includes gratuity) for six courses. For reservations: 407/WDW-DINE.
- The next generation of food courts is open at Disney's Art of Animation Resort, where **Landscape of Flavors**

features five mini shops serving breakfast, lunch and dinner — and diners can customize choices. Tandoor ovens add an Indian-African flair, and fresh fruit smoothies are a hit. Guests also can find burgers, soups, pizzas and other favorites.

## Fast Forward, Cruisers! Disney Cruise Line Unveils Itineraries and Ports for 2014

The white sand beaches and azure waters of Castaway Cay, Disney's private island, take center stage in the early half of 2014 voyages for Disney Cruise Line. With all four Disney ships sailing from Florida ports, not only will guests have more options to visit Castaway Cay, but they may combine their cruise with a visit to Walt Disney World Resort and experience the expanded Fantasyland at Magic Kingdom.

In the early part of 2014, the Disney Magic will return to Port Canaveral, Fla., joining the Disney Dream and Disney Fantasy, while the Disney Wonder will homeport in Miami. During this time, guests will have more opportunities than ever to enjoy a Disney cruise that visits Disney's private island in the Bahamas reserved exclusively for Disney Cruise Line guests, Castaway Cay.

### Caribbean and Bahamas from Port Canaveral

- **Three-night Bahamian:** Disney Dream departures Jan.-Aug., 2014; Disney Magic departures Jan.-May, 2014
- **Four-night Bahamian:** Disney Dream departures Jan.-Aug., 2014; Disney Magic departures Jan.-May, 2014
- **Seven-night Eastern Caribbean:** Disney Fantasy departures Jan.-Aug., 2014
- **Seven-night Western Caribbean:** Disney Fantasy departures Jan.-April, 2014
- **Seven-night Western Caribbean, including Jamaica:** Disney Fantasy departures May-Aug., 2014

### Bahamas and Western Caribbean from Miami (Jan.-May, 2014)

- **Four-night Bahamas:** Disney Wonder departures Jan.-May, 2014
- **Five-night Caribbean:** Disney Wonder departures Jan.-May, 2014
- **Five-night Caribbean, including Castaway Cay:** Disney Wonder departures Jan.-May, 2014

To learn more about Disney Cruise Line or to book a vacation, guests can visit <http://www.disneycruise.com>, call Disney Cruise Line at 888-325-2500 or contact their travel agent.

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