

Bay Lake Tower at Disney's Contemporary Resort — Fact Sheet

Overview

Bay Lake Tower at Disney's Contemporary Resort, a Disney Vacation Club private resort, complements the strong horizontal lines of the original resort while adding its own unique touches, including a fireworks viewing deck, a rooftop lounge, a lakeside pool and much more. Add to that a sky bridge linking the tower to the original resort's monorail station, restaurants and shops, and you've got a new classic Disney resort that allows guests to blow Tinker Bell a kiss goodnight as they relax after a fun day of theme park experiences.

Building Upon a Beloved Icon

Bay Lake Tower builds on the celebrated legacy of Disney's Contemporary Resort, hailed as a modern marvel of American architecture when it opened alongside nearby Magic Kingdom on Oct. 1, 1971. Proximity to Magic Kingdom continually proves to be among the resort's most popular "amenities," allowing families to easily return to their rooms for quick breaks from their busy day in the park.

Bay Lake Tower takes that experience one step further, adding the conveniences of "home" to this world-class vacation destination. Most rooms feature full kitchens complete with granite countertops and modern appliances, separate bedrooms, washers and dryers, and other home-like amenities that will add even more comfort and convenience to the unique experience offered by Disney's Contemporary Resort.

Unparalleled Views

Bay Lake Tower's crescent-shaped tower boasts some of the most dramatic Walt Disney World views available, offering open sightlines to an amenity-filled courtyard, the picturesque lakefront or one of the most beloved theme parks on Earth. The view is equally appealing on the other side, with rich woods and warm fabrics complementing interior spaces and creating a welcoming, family-friendly environment.

Rooftop Lounge and Fireworks Viewing Area

On the top floor of Bay Lake Tower is the 77-seat Top of the World lounge and observation deck, offering sweeping views of Walt Disney World Resort, as well as a unique perspective for the "Wishes" nighttime fireworks spectacular at Magic Kingdom. (Availability is limited and open only to Disney Vacation Club members staying at Bay Lake Tower using their membership.)

Spacious Lobby

After checking in at the original resort, guests' first glimpse of the tower's interior is the lobby area filled with woven woods, glass-wrapped columns, dramatic lighting and modern artwork.

Bay Cove Pool

Nestled in the shadow of Bay Lake Tower, the resort's zero entry pool includes a water slide, separate whirlpool spa and an interactive children's water feature - all overlooking picturesque Bay Lake.

Resort Amenities

Beyond the rooftop lounge, spacious lobby and lakeside pool, Bay Lake Tower features a covered outdoor sky bridge that connects to the original resort so that guests can access the monorail as well as the restaurants and merchandise shops. Plus, Bay Lake Tower guests can order room service available through the original resort or make use of Community Hall, an activity center.

Disney Vacation Club

Disney Vacation Club is a vacation-ownership program that helps families enjoy flexibility and savings on vacations for decades to come. By purchasing a real estate interest in a Disney Vacation Club resort, families enjoy flexible

vacations at Disney destinations worldwide, as well as more than 500 other popular Member Getaways vacation locations around the globe.

Quick Facts

Date Announced:

Sept. 16, 2008

Completion Date:

August 2009

Location/Geography:

Bay Lake Tower is ideally situated between Magic Kingdom and Disney's Contemporary Resort with easy access to the monorail.

Room Mix:

Bay Lake Tower offers studios, one-, two- and three-bedroom units. The majority of room categories include views of Bay Lake or Magic Kingdom.

Number of Units:

295 two-bedroom equivalent villas

Resort Amenities:

Zero entry pool with water slide, separate spa and interactive children's water feature.

Exclusive lounge on the top floor with outdoor fireworks viewing area (availability is very limited and usage guidelines apply).

Covered outdoor sky bridge connects Bay Lake Tower to the existing resort so that guests can access the monorail.

Fun Facts

- There are 167 miles of post-tensioning cable running through the concrete slabs. These cables could stretch from Bay Lake Tower to Disney's Vero Beach Resort and back.
- There are 1,398 tons of reinforcing steel, known as rebar, within the structure. This is equal to the weight of 254 full-grown elephants.
- Bay Lake Tower rests on a foundation of more than 800 concrete piles that are 16 inches in diameter and extend 70 feet into the ground. Stacked on top of one another, these would reach more than 10 miles into the sky.