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Disneyland, 2 Days

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Guide Description



AUTHOR NOTE: Come and enjoy the fantasy and family fun that Orange County has to offer, stay for a weekend have stories for a lifetime. This is an action packed weekend that will take you to two of the most prolific theme parks in the world. Knott's Berry Farm and Disneyland will be the playground for you family. Along the way dine in the jungle at the Rain Forest Cafe, and chow down like a cowboy at Overland Stage Southwestern Grill and BBQ Company, it is a real mouthful. Bring the family and enjoy some of the infinite options in Orange County.

Itinerary Overview

things to do
restaurants
hotels
nightlife

Day 1 - Disneyland

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	Disneyland The original Magic Kingdom
	Rainforest Cafe Jungle Retreat
	ESPN Zone Catch some Action while Dining
	Downtown Disney Downtown With Disney
	Anabella Hotel Beautiful Hotel

	Knotts Berry Farm Berry The Hatchet
	Overland Stage Southwestern Grill & BBQ Company Award Winning Diner
	Anabella Hotel Beautiful Hotel

Day 2 - Disneyland

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1 Disneyland

OUR LOCAL EXPERT SAYS:

Visiting at the height of the season? Consider buying a three day ticket (if the cost isn't a factor) allowing Magic Morning early admission to beat the holiday crowds.

DESCRIPTION: Opened in 1955 and with the construction overseen by Walter Elias Disney himself, the Anaheim Disneyland will always be the original Magic Kingdom. Open all year round, Mickey Mouse, Snow White and friends are always in attendance to greet you and your family. The park itself is divided into a series of distinct 'realms' populated with various rides and experiences. Besides that, an itinerary of parades and a shopping district help to broaden out the experience. The hours at Disneyland change according to whichever season you're visiting in, so ensure you check the website or call before finalizing your plans - you don't want to miss out on having the insanely infectious "It's a Small World" tune running through your head.

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2 Rainforest Cafe

DESCRIPTION: A theme cafe in Downtown Disney District, the Rainforest Cafe is a fun destination. Bringing to life the true 'Rainforest' ambiance with greenery, waterfalls, and animated apes, the cafe is a hit with youngsters. Live parrot shows are held outside the restaurant everyday from noon to 6p. They serve sumptuous cuisine from all over the world and comes in good, large portions. At the Rainforest Village, you can pick up



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mementos, jewelry, fashionable apparel and accessories for your kids' rooms. © wcities.com

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M-Th 11a-11p, F 9a-mid, Sa
10-mid, Su 9a-11p

3 ESPN Zone

DESCRIPTION: This is a popular sports bar, always brimming with life and entertainment in the Downtown Disney District. There's a **Sports Arena** for gaming enthusiasts and **Screening Room**, wherein you can catch every sporting action live. The **Studio Grille** serves American grilled varieties from steaks to chicken with Caesar. Barbecued chicken is served as well as shrimp varieties and the American burgers and sandwiches. Beers to go with and dessert after are just the way to end a casual meal. © wcities.com



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4 Downtown Disney

DESCRIPTION: This unique area combining shopping, dining and special events is open year-round and provides a Disney-flavored, admission-free center for the city of Anaheim. There is usually live music and street entertainers. Much of the fun is free, although special concerts will have a fee. The schedule changes daily, so most visitors grab a free copy of "Downtown Disney Today" from the newsstands located throughout the area. The holiday season is especially busy with strolling musicians, yuletide decorations and special events for kids and adults alike. Your first three hours of parking is free, with additional validations available from the restaurants and theaters. © wcities.com



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5 Anabella Hotel

DESCRIPTION: Recognized with 'Anaheim Beautiful Property' award, this deluxe hotel is situated right across from the Disneyland and on the Anaheim Convention Center campus. 23 different types of lavishly appointed rooms and suites cater to discerning guests in the city. While at the hotel, you can be sure to catch all the action happening at the resort as well as the nightlife. With concierge and friendly waiting staff, this place is truly a luxurious experience worth what you spend here. © wcities.com



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1 Knotts Berry Farm

DESCRIPTION: Knotts Berry Farm, long home to the Peanuts characters, has been a favorite for families visiting the Orange County area for quite some time. Exploiting various cultures over several themed areas including, Fiesta Village, Indian Trails, and Independence hall, visitors get a second or even third-hand look at the influence of these cultures in California life as well as providing visitors cheery commercial outlets in which to stage rides such as Xcelerator and Montezuma's Revenge. Other areas such as The Boardwalk feature rides like Supreme Scream which, measuring in at an astounding 312 feet, is the tallest structure in the county. Overall, if you're looking for something to please the kids (and maybe give yourself a rest) Knott's is a truly excellent choice. © wcities.com



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hours:
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2 Overland Stage Southwestern Grill & BBQ Company

DESCRIPTION: 'Overland Stage Southwestern Grill & BBQ Company', is undoubtedly a place which you can not afford to miss. Located in the grand Sheraton Park Hotel at the Anaheim Resort, it serves sumptuous meals that are prepared with great care. The chef uses the best and freshest ingredients along with choicest of spices to create a memorable and delicious meal. The decor and ambiance have a heavy old western influence. They also have a special kid's menu and an extensive wine list. © wcities.com



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Disneyland Snapshot

Local Info

Located in Anaheim about 35 miles from the Los Angeles International Airport, "the happiest place on earth" can also be one of the most crowded. Mostly because it has something for everyone, since it's not only a theme park, but also a resort and shopping mecca. The area in and around the theme park also features Downtown Disney, and the Anaheim GardenWalk, where restaurants, malls, boutiques and bars can be found in abundance.

As crowded as Disneyland can be, accommodation is usually not a problem, since there are three large hotels on the resort property and hundreds more in the surrounding city.

Disneyland Theme Parks

There is now a bewildering array of themes and water parks at Disneyland Park, which started out small back in 1955. Each of the attractions comes with its own motif--from Animal Kingdom to Hollywood Studios to Blizzard Beach--and each is classified based on the target age, from toddlers to senior citizens.

All around Disneyland, visitors can mingle with their most-loved Disney characters, who make regular casual appearances and also perform in parades and other entertainment attractions. If you want to take home your very own miniature version, there are many shops offering collectibles and souvenirs.

If you're not the sort who enjoys rides, you can take in a performance by a live band or by the Disney characters. Visits during Halloween and Christmas are extra-special because there are many activities held at the park to mark these holidays.

Disneyland California Adventure

To get an even bigger dose of Disney characters, check out California Adventure, which is across Disneyland Park and "celebrates the stories and characters of Disney films with thrilling attractions and entertainment." It features rides for little kids, big kids and adults. The site also offers the Mission Tortilla Factory and the Wine Country Trattoria for sit-down dining. After dark, the recently installed World of Color delights audiences with a water-

jet show that blends color, fire, light and Disney characters.

Popular Rides and Attractions

There are rides at Disneyland that regularly feature long lines, but they're worth the wait. Splash Mountain is about half a mile long and culminates in a final plunge of five stories. Indiana Jones Adventure does a great job of bringing the film to life with an adrenaline pumping dash in a Hummer on a quest to claim the Jewel of Power. Pirates of the Caribbean is an indoor boat ride that allows your imagination to roam as you float through realistic pirate scenes and settings. (If you'd rather not wait in line, be sure to pick up a Fastpass, so you can save your place in line while you grab a drink or check out other attractions.)

Amid all the noise and the fun, guests can still enjoy a little peace and quiet on the Disney Railroad, a charming old narrow-gauge railroad that first chugged to life in 1955. It circles the park and is an easy way to get from one place to another or just spend a little relaxing downtime.

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