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# Sports Galore in Orange

## **Disneyland, Orange, Costa Mesa, 2 Days**

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# Guide Description



**AUTHOR NOTE:** Orange County may be known for its access to the beautiful Pacific Ocean, and that is great. It is also known as a great place to view breathtaking art, and it is. However it also boasts nearly every sport you can think of. This trip will bring you to collegiate basketball games, professional hockey games, and of course relaxing golf. It wouldn't be complete for most people without golf. If golf is not your thing, then do one of those other Orange County things, it's up to you. Between the John Wooden Classic dine at great laid back restaurants and sample an obscene amount of beer. Do this all over the city, and then crash at your oh so comfortable bed at the Hilton Suites Anaheim/Orange.

# Itinerary Overview

things to do  
restaurants  
hotels  
nightlife

## Day 1 - Disneyland, Costa Mesa

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### Anaheim Hills Golf Course

Beautiful views for the more expert golfers



### Rib Trader

Ribs and BBQ



### Mighty Ducks of Anaheim

Watch Disney's favourite ice hockey team crack a few skulls



### Hollingshead's

Gastropub deli with friendly staff, local feel, craft brews



### Molly's Kitchen

Western Diner



### John Wooden Classic

Basketball Excitement



### Clubhouse (The)

Kevin Costner's Golf Restaurant

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<http://www.starwoodhotels.com/sheraton/property/dining/index.html>

### location:

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Anaheim CA 92802

### hours:

Daily 6a-3p

## 1 Molly's Kitchen

**DESCRIPTION:** Come to Molly's kitchen in the grand Sheraton Park Hotel at the Anaheim Resort to have a perfect western dining experience. Kick start your day with a hearty breakfast comprising eggs, bacon and ham; team it with a tall glass of fresh orange juice. Preparations from cheese and potatoes are a good dining option. As you enter this petite eatery located in the lobby area of Sheraton Park Hotel at the Anaheim Resort, friendly waiting staff gives you a warm welcome, taking care of every need. © wcities.com



Molly's Kitchen

### contact:

tel: +1 714 704 2400

<http://www.woodenclassic.com>

### location:

2695 East Katella Avenue  
Anaheim CA 92806

## 2 John Wooden Classic

**DESCRIPTION:** Each year, Anaheim explodes with energy as the John Wooden college basketball classic returns to Arrowhead Pond. Every year the best of the best match up and tip off for annual bragging rights. Four top collegiate contenders play in the two-game series played during one evening. Exact start time and ticket prices are yet to be set. If you are a college basketball fan, this is the night for you. © wcities.com



Photo courtesy of the John Wooden Classic

### contact:

tel: 7147082582

[www.theclubhouse.com](http://www.theclubhouse.com)

### location:

3333 Bristol St.  
Costa Mesa CA 92626

## 3 Clubhouse (The)

**DESCRIPTION:** This golf-themed restaurant is owned by actors Kevin Costner and Robert Wagner and golf legends Jack Nicklaus and Fred Couples. The atmosphere attempts to recreate an elite country club environment without the country club membership and fees. Marble floors, mahogany doors and velvet curtains contribute to the wealthy and exclusive



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ambiance. The menu is decidedly American, with chicken pot pie, meatloaf and mashed potatoes on the menu, as well as sandwiches, pizzas and pastas. The restaurant offers a full bar, specializing in great martinis. Try the Lemon Meringue martini. The wine list is extensive too. © wcities.com

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**contact:**  
tel: +1 888 802 3248  
<http://www.anaheim-golf.com/>

**location:**  
6501 Nohl Ranch Road  
Anaheim CA 92807

## 1 Anaheim Hills Golf Course

**DESCRIPTION:** This is a very hilly course that is no small challenge, even for experienced golfers. Because there are so many hills, some of the views are breathtaking - don't let it distract you from your swing! This is a unique course designed in 1972 by Richard Bigler and it is fun for those who are tired of the average course and are looking for a new challenge. The clubhouse features a restaurant and bar. Greens fees: \$34-40. © wcities.com



Photo courtesy of the Anaheim Hill Golf Course

**contact:**  
tel: +1 714 744 9288  
fax: +1 714 744 0823  
<http://www.ribtrader.com/>

**location:**  
2710 East Chapman Avenue  
Orange CA 92869

**hours:**  
Su-Th 11:30a-10p, F-Sa  
11:30a-11p

## 2 Rib Trader

**DESCRIPTION:** **Rib Trader**, serves sumptuous BBQ chicken, steak, beef, sandwiches, burgers and (not to forget) Ribs. The 'BBQ Chicken Chopped Salad' is a clear winner and you have the option of having shrimp instead of chicken. The wild chicken wings are not to be missed, while Chicken Nachos are a sure try. The exhaustive menu is full of dishes that will whet your appetite. Order a drink of your choice to go with your meal. They have a special kids menu and a banquet hall for parties and events. © wcities.com



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**contact:**  
tel: +1 714 765 8888  
<http://www.mightyducks.com>

**location:**  
2695 East Katella Avenue  
Anaheim CA 92806

## 3 Mighty Ducks of Anaheim

**DESCRIPTION:** If a day at the "Magic Kingdom" hasn't Disneyed you out, head over to the sparkling Arrowhead Pond for some more family-friendly entertainment courtesy of the Mouse House. Named after the kiddie-flick trilogy, the Mighty Ducks game is a family-friendly experience, with squeaky-clean marquee players like Paul Kariya and Teemu Selanne replacing the brawlers like Stu "The Grim Reaper" Grimson that filled out the lineup in the team's expansion-draft years. The team even plays a decent game of hockey, but that is incidental to



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the family fun. Stay tuned for upcoming season schedule. ©  
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**contact:**

tel: +1 714 978 9467  
<http://www.hollingsheadsdeli.com/>

**location:**

368 South Main Street  
Orange CA 92868

**4 Hollingshead's**

**DESCRIPTION:** The selection of beer here is mind boggling — hundreds of bottled selections and about 15 beers on tap will satisfy the most finicky of beer drinkers. This is also a deli serving sandwiches and other typical deli fare like potato salad and other goodies. If you are on a diet, this place is not for you, but if you just want delicious beer and food, loosen your belt and prepare to fill up. © 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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