

OUR DISNEY WORLD FOOD GUIDE



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Back in April, we took our family of 4 on a trip to Disney World. We knew before we went that we wanted to eat well and try some fun foods. But..... food at Disney World can be very expensive and we wanted to stay within our budget. Spoiler Alert! We found, what I believe, was the perfect happy medium! We still felt like we were getting the best of both worlds **cue the Hannah Montana theme song**

This took A LOT of forethought before going on the trip though! This guide will walk you through what we chose to do about food at Magic Kingdom & Epcot along with food on our travel days. My hope is that this can help you in your planning for your future trip and give you some guidance and great tips!

In this guide I am going to give you ALL the details! Exactly what we did for each day to truly get the best bang for our buck while still feeling like we were splurging just a bit. Get comfortable, but no need to take notes.... I already did that for you ;)

Disney Meal Plan vs. No Disney Meal Plan

This was a HARD one for us. We went back and forth so many times, but we ended up deciding to purchase a meal plan and here are some of the main reasons why:

- The estimated cost per meal x the amount of meals for the trip = nearly the same price paying out of pocket vs. dining plan.
- We wanted the trip to feel a bit more stress free knowing that we had already paid for the food and could just thoroughly enjoy each meal as a family in the parks.
- We didn't want to bring all of our own food for every meal since we were coming from out of state. So we were going to be buying food anyway.

There are 2 Disney Meal Plans (Quick-Service Plan & Dining Plan). They both offer slightly different things but we chose to go with the Disney Dining Plan which offers:

- 1 Quick-Service Meal (per night of stay)
- 1 Table-Service Meal (per night of stay)
- 1 Snack/Nonalcoholic Drink (per night of stay)
- 1 Resort-Refillable Drink Mug

We had a 3 night stay at the Disney All Star Music Resort so this is the total amount of meal credits we had across my husband and I:

3 Quick-Service Meal 3 Table-Service Meal 3 Snack/Nonalcoholic Drink 1 Resort-Refillable Drink Mug	3 Quick-Service Meal 3 Table-Service Meal 3 Snack/Nonalcoholic Drink 1 Resort-Refillable Drink Mug
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Important Notes!

- Because it is meal credits per night of your stay, this means that you can use the credits at Disney Restaurants even if you don't have a park ticket for that day. For example, we didn't go to the park on the day we flew to Orlando, but we still had meal credits for that day.
- Your meal credits are a total amount over your trip, not specifically divided over the days. So you could use them all in one day if you wanted to.
- Some special dining experiences are worth 2 Table Dining Credits per person. Know before you book a reservation!
- We were at Epcot during the Flower & Garden Festival (HIGHLY recommend) so the food options are a little different than if you go during other times of the year.
- Both of our boys were under the age of 3 so they didn't need a dining plan. They ate for free at the buffets and we shared our meals with them during the non-buffet meals.
- Not all dining experiences are created equal!! Some of the places we chose to eat were over \$60 a person! There is *no way* that we would have eaten at these places without the dining plan. Get your money's worth out of your meal plan!

Okay, are you ready?? We had to get through *alllllll* of that information so that you could better understand why we used our credits the way we did.

Drum Roll Please!!

Day 1 - Travel Day to Orlando

Meals	Dining Credits Used (Total)
Breakfast - Purchased out of pocket at the airport	0
Lunch - Packed & brought from home (eaten at the hotel)	0

Dinner - Boma at Animal Kingdom Lodge (Buffet) **you do not have to stay any of the resorts to book a reservation to each there	2 Table Service
Additional Food/Snacks - Packed & brought from home	0

Day 2 - EPCOT

Meals	Dining Credits Used (Total)
Breakfast - Garden Grill Character Dining Experience (Buffet)	2 Table Service
Lunch - Snacks around the countries & snacks brought from home	3 Snack
Dinner - La Cantina de San Angel (Mexico)	2 Quick Service
Additional Food/Snacks - Dessert in France & snacks we brought from home	1 Snack

Day 3 - Magic Kingdom

Meals	Dining Credits Used (Total)
Breakfast - Our hotel food court (eaten while waiting for our bus)	2 Quick Service
Lunch - Pecos Bill Tall Tale Inn & Cafe	2 Quick Service
Dinner - Crystal Palace Character Dining Experience (Buffet)	2 Table Service
Additional Food/Snacks - Churro, Twix Blondie (from bakery on Main Street) & snacks brought from home	2 Snack

Ta-da!! There you have it! All organized and laid out just for you! Because you are awesome and deserve to have someone do some of the tedious DisneyWorld trip planning homework for you :)

There is sooooo much goodness coming your way here in our little corner of the world. Make sure to check your emails so you don't miss anything!

You guys are the best! Thanks for being here <3

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