

## ***Walt Disney World*® Resort's Best of the Best Dining**

There are so many choices in *Walt Disney World* Resort dining that it's sometimes tough to make a choice. Here are my favorites.

**Best Italian.** Tutto Italia in *Epcot's*® World Showcase where a stellar tonnarelli, perfectly al dente hand-made egg pasta similar to spaghetti, burrata-studded, tossed with cubed zucchini, and plenty of fresh mint and basil, was one of the best pastas I've had in years.

**Best Seafood.** Flying Fish Cafe at *Disney's BoardWalk* Entertainment District for their ever-changing Chef's Thunder fish choice.

**Best Steak.** *Disney's Yacht Club* Resort for the must-order New York strip steak with peppercorn brandy sauce, aged in-house and cooked to perfection.

**Best For Romance.** Victoria and Albert's *Disney's Grand Floridian* Resort & Spa where you'll savor a sumptuous seven-course meal in an intimate atmosphere.

**Best For Kids.** Children love T-Rex Cafe at *Downtown Disney*® Area with giant Audio-Animatronics dinosaurs, an ice cave, and a paleontology dig. A close runner up is Whispering Canyon Café at *Disney's Wilderness* Lodge, but come prepared for plenty of whoopin' and hollerin', and please, whatever you do, don't ask for the ketchup—unless, that is, you like a lot of attention.

**Best Character Meal.** Cinderella's Royal Table at *Magic Kingdom*® Park, a chance to dine in a fairy-tale castle with Disney princesses.

**Best Disney View.** California Grill at *Disney's Contemporary* Resort with its picture-perfect views of the *Magic Kingdom*, the Seven Seas Lagoon, and the *Wishes* fireworks show.

**Best Disney Resort Restaurant.** Tough call. My favorites are the California Grill at *Disney's Contemporary* Resort (just about anything on their exceptional menu is fantastic), or Victoria and Albert's at *Disney Grand Floridian* Resort & Spa (particularly the Chef's Table where Chef Scott Hunnel oversees a 10- to 12-course meal designed especially for you).

**Best *Epcot* Illuminations: Reflections of Earth View.** Rose and Crown in World Showcase's United Kingdom. Set your priority seating for about one hour prior to showtime and pray for a lagoonside table with a great view. Second runner up is La Hacienda de San Angel in Mexico, but you won't be able to dine alfresco here.

**Best Food at the *Magic Kingdom*.** Restaurant: Be Our Guest in *New Fantasyland*®; fast food: Pecos Bill Café in the *Frontierland*® Area.

**Best food at *Disney's Hollywood Studios*®.** Restaurant. Hollywood Brown Derby.

**Best Food at Epcot.** Restaurant: Monsieur Paul in France; fast food: Tangierine Café in Morocco.

**Best Food at the Animal Kingdom Theme Park.** Restaurant: Tusker House in Africa.

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