

Which Resort Is Right for You?



# Resort Guide

There are 3 types of on-site resorts offered at Walt Disney World. Each category offers different amenities, services and of course different price points. With over 25 choices, it can be overwhelming to choose the correct one that will best suit your needs and budget. This guide will help to simplify and compare each category to help you make the best decision. Let's start with the 3 types –

Value Resorts \$ Moderate Resorts \$\$ Deluxe Resorts \$\$\$-\$\$\$\$

# **Value Resorts**

**Value Resorts** are the most economical. They feature huge themed icons, and are bright and colorful. They have motel-style exterior corridors, with partial exception of Art of Animation.

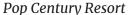


Pop Century Resort

#### Rooms

Room options are one King or two Double beds with complimentary Wi-Fi, and a mini-fridge. Family Suites include a combination featuring a Queen size bed. (\*Exception - Pop Century & All-Star Movies has Queen beds now!) You also have your choice of views - courtyard, pool, or parking area.







All-Star Music Resort

**Preferred Rooms** are available – these rooms are situated in close proximity to the lobby, main pool, food court, and bus stop.

# **Amenities**

Basic amenities such as a food court, pool(s), self-service laundry facilities, and gift shops are available. They do not have a table-service restaurant, indoor bar or lounge, gym, or room service (with the exception of pizza delivery).

All-Star Movies Food Court

# **Value Plus**

Art of Animation is considered a "Value Plus" since it offers interior carpeted corridors and a larger & better food court. It also comes with a higher price tag than the other value resorts.



Art of Animation Resort

# **Pros & Cons**

These resorts are built as a large complex, so there may be a bit of a walk (10 minutes+) to the bus stop and food court, depending on where your room is located.

Since these resorts are popular with hosting large youth groups, noise may be an issue. You many incur longer wait times at the bus stops heading to the parks – especially if waiting for the bus at peak times. Please note the only transportation method (at this time) from Value resorts to all other WDW areas is by bus.

Also, the main pools do not have any water slides.



# **Opinion**

If you're planning to visit WDW and will spend the majority of your time at the parks, and looking for the most economical choice within the park, then this is the right choice for you!

# **Moderate Resorts**

**Moderate Resorts** are for those who don't mind spending a little more. These resorts offer more amenities than the Value Resorts and feature more extensive themes and lush landscaping.



Caribbean Beach Resort

# Rooms

Room options are one King or two Queen beds with complimentary Wi-Fi, and a mini-fridge. All rooms have exterior exits. You have your choice of views - courtyard, pool, lake/river, garden, woodlands or parking area.



Coronado Springs Resort

**Preferred Rooms** are available - these rooms are situated in close proximity to the lobby, main pool, restaurant/food court, and bus stop.

\*POR and CBR can accommodate a 5th guest with a child-size pull down bed in the room. Both resorts offer themed rooms too.



Caribbean Beach Resort - 5th sleeper



Port Orleans Riverside - Royal Guest Rooms

# **Amenities**

Include a food-court, table-service restaurant (with exception of PO-FQ), lounge and/or pool bar, video game room, self-service laundry facilities, gift shop and on-site recreations. \*PO-FQ is on shared property with POR, so you can always take a stroll to enjoy amenities at either resort.



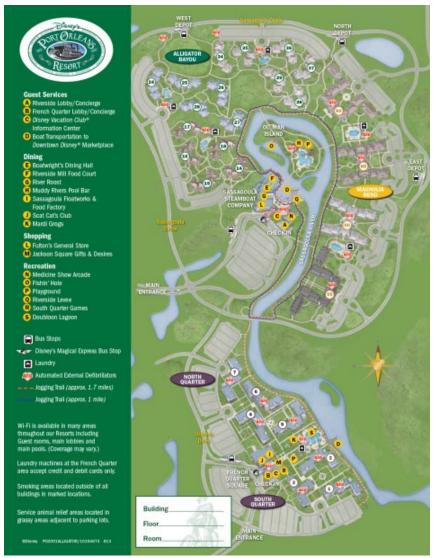
Caribbean Beach Resort

#### **Pros & Cons**

There are several bus stops located throughout the property in relatively close proximity to your room. You'll also find several smaller non-themed quiet pools in each section of the resort along with one main themed pool with water slide. \*CBR has the most number of bus stops on property, so it may take a bit longer to leave the property.

These resorts do not offer fine/upscale dining restaurants or valet parking. These resorts are large, and there is a (10 minute) walk to access the main pool, food-court/restaurant and front lobby depending on your room

location.



Port Orleans Riverside & French Quarter Resort Map

# **Opinion**

If you don't intend to spend a lot of time in your room but do enjoy resort amenities and don't want to spend a fortune, this is the right choice for you!

# Moderate Resorts cont'd

### **Moderate Resorts CABINS**

The Cabins at Fort Wilderness are listed under the Moderate Resorts category but are traditional cabins in the woods.



#### **Cabins**

These cabins have a full service kitchen with dishwasher and fridge, living/dining area, one Queen bed, one Bunk bed, and one double-size sleeper sofa.





# **Amenities**

There are several dining options on site including the ever popular Hoop–Dee–Doo Musical Revue. There are many on–site activities including archery, trail, pony, horseback, wagon and carriage rides, fishing, campfire sing–a–longs, canoe, kayak, boat, & bike rentals, basketball & volleyball courts, and trails.

# **Deluxe Resorts**

**Deluxe Resorts** feature the most unique and elaborate themes with visually exceptional architecture and spectacular lobbies. They also come with a higher price tag. The Deluxe resorts offer a large array of amenities and services.



Wilderness Lodge Resort

### Rooms

Deluxe rooms are a bit larger than moderate resorts and can contain a combination of King bed, 2 Queen beds and 1 Day bed.

You also have your choice of prime views including the Magic Kingdom, the Savanna, Seven Seas Lagoon and more! (Depending on which resort!)



Polynesian Village Resort



Contemporary Resort

# **Amenities**

The main pools are dramatically themed and include water slides and hot tubs/spas. These resorts also have a counter-service option, moderately priced table-service restaurant, a fine dining/upscale restaurant, along with room service, lounge bar and a pool bar. They also offer high-end gift shops, kids club & baby-sitting, a video game room, health club, on-site recreation, valet parking, and some even have a salon.



Beach Club Resort



California Grill at Contemporary Resort

### **Club Level**

The Deluxe resorts also offer a special category of rooms that come with a variety of additional amenities unique only to Club Level. These services include evening turndown and a secured key access to the club-level lounge which serves refreshments 7:00am to 10:00pm daily with complimentary continental breakfast, snacks in the afternoon, cold appetizers & desserts along with beer, wine, and cocktails in the evening. There is access to concierge service, health club, and personalized front desk and guest services. Club Level guests also have a separate check-in area & advanced itinerary planning.



Club Level Lounge at Contemporary Resort

# **Pros & Cons**

The price of the rooms can be double the amount of a Moderate Resort, never mind the Value Resorts. However, you will only find Club Level rooms at the Deluxe Resorts, along with the only 3 resorts on property with access to the Monorail - one being walking distance from Magic Kingdom!

# **Opinion**

If price is not an issue, and you want to indulge in the best premium accommodations and amenities that Disney has to offer, than Deluxe Resorts are the right choice for you!

# **Deluxe Villas**

**Deluxe Resorts** (aka Disney Vacation Club Resorts) are timeshares for Vacation Club members but you can also rent them directly through Disney, the same way you would reserve a hotel. These resorts feature beautiful themes and a variety of at-home accommodations.



Saratoga Springs Resort

# **Rooms**

The room options consist of Deluxe Studios and 1, 2, & 3- Bedroom Villas. The studios include a mini-fridge and microwave and can accommodate either 4 or 5 guests. The 1, 2, and 3-Bedroom villas include a full kitchen and living room in addition to the bedroom. They also have a washer & dryer within the unit.



Animal Kingdom Villas-Kidani Village - 2 BR Suite



The Villas at Grand Floridian

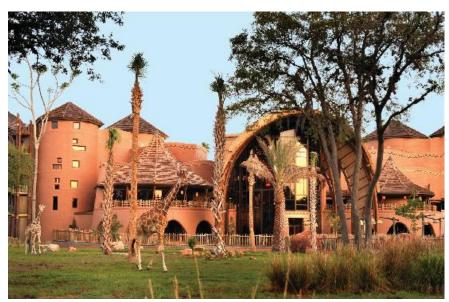
#### **Amenities**

At all the Deluxe Villas (with the exception of Saratoga Springs, Old Key West and AK Villas-Kidani Village), guests share the facilities in the adjoining Deluxe hotels. Guests have access to on-site recreation/activities, valet parking and similar services that are offered by the neighboring Deluxe resort. These Disney Vacation Club resorts do not offer any additional dining options, gift shops, bars, etc., because it's easy to use the services located in the hotel next door.

Saratoga Springs, Old Key West and AK Villas-Kidani Village are self-contained resorts with many amenities. They are similar to the Deluxe resorts, but have more dining options due to their distance from other resorts and the theme parks.

# Club Level

Only the Deluxe Studios and 1 & 2 Bedroom Villas at Animal Kingdom Villas-Jambo House offer Club Level.



Animal Kingdom Villas - Kidani Village

# **Pros & Cons**

The price can be even higher than Deluxe Resorts since the multi-bedroom suites can accommodate a large number of guests.

# **Opinion**

If you're looking for more in-room accommodations with all the amenities and services of a Deluxe Resort, this is the right choice for you!