

Foodies on Tour to Disney, Orlando Thursday 4th Sept – Monday 8th September

Itinerary

Thursday 4th September 2008

- 09.15hrs (from)** Check in at the British Airways desk in the **North Terminal, Gatwick Airport**
- Group have use of the Gatwick Holideck Lounge in the North Terminal prior to departure
- 11.05hrs** Depart Gatwick airport on **British Airways flight BA2037**
- 15.20hrs** Arrive Orlando Airport
- After collecting our luggage and passing through immigration we will be transferred by coach to Disney's Boardwalk Inn Hotel.
- The hotel is situated on the lakeside with easy access by foot or ferry to Epcot; facilities include a choice of pools, state of the art health club, tennis, cycling, fishing and a jogging track.
- 17.00hrs** Upon arrival we will check-in and have a refreshing drink at the bar before settling into our rooms which have been reserved for four nights. You will be given breakfast vouchers that can be used in any Disney hotel, resort and restaurant.
- 19.00hrs** Meet in the bar for informal drinks before departing by coach to Seasons 52 one of Orlando's award winning restaurants for dinner.
- 23.00hrs** We then return to the Boardwalk by coach where you can retire for the night or investigate the local nightlife.
- The Boardwalk is a complete entertainment area in itself with numerous bars, restaurants and café concepts to check out including:
- The Flying Fish - beautifully grilled fish & steaks.
 - Spoodles - Southern European and North African coastal cuisine.
 - Big River Brewing House, exactly what it says, brews it's own variety of beer; check it out with a burger or steak.
 - ESPN Sports complex, eat, drink, shop and watch sport till you drop.
 - Piano Bar – does what it says on the tin!
 - There is a lot more to explore around the hotel too – and you can always grab a bike and cycle round the lake!

Friday 5th September 2008

- 06.30 (from)** Breakfast is available in any of Disney's restaurants, or any restaurant on the Boardwalk. You will be given vouchers that are worth \$20, and can use them as you please.
- 08.00** Meet in the hotel lobby for the short trip to Epcot where our Disney Experience will commence and include:
- 08:30** Meet at the International Gateway at Epcot
- 09:00** Something to get you in the mood for Disney!
- 09:30** Service, Disney Style Part I
- 10:15** Tea/Coffee
- 10:30** Depart for Food Warehouse.
Presentation on Purchasing
Speaker - Steve Bleecker, Senior Manager for Sourcing & Procurement.
Tour of the Distribution Centre
- 11:30** Return to Epcot, tour of Epcot Events Catering Kitchen
- 12:30** Return to Living Seas for Lunch
- 13:15** Menu trends and development at Walt Disney
Joel Schaeffer, Senior Manager of Culinary Development for Walt Disney Parks and Resorts
- 14:30** Custom Tour of the Epcot Greenhouses
Look at the evolving trends in Quick Service Restaurants at Walt Disney World
- 16:00** Return to Living Seas to complete Service, Disney Style
- 17:00** Finish program, return to Boardwalk
- 19.00** Meet in the main hotel bar for drinks and then stroll across to Epcot and the Norway pavilion for dinner
- 20.30** Walk to the British Pavilion for our 'Desserts' party on our own private veranda and watch 'Illuminations; Reflections of Earth'

Saturday 6th September 2008

- 06.30hrs (from)** Breakfast is available in any of Disney's restaurants, or any restaurant on the Boardwalk. You will be given vouchers that are worth \$20, and can use them as you please.
- 09.00-10.00hrs** Your Florida Restaurant & Lodging Show passes will be available for collection from Billie Moore & Rod Callaway in the hotel lobby.
- Take the opportunity to sample a wide range of never before tasted foods and beverages, gather intelligence and source new products. There are over 500 leading industry suppliers exhibiting, Speciality pavilions including gourmet food, natural and organic food and beverages and hospitality design. There is a new product gallery, culinary courses and professional culinary competitions for you to view.
- When you have seen all you want to see either make your way back to the hotel, relax, work out or maybe take advantage of reduced half day tickets into the parks (please speak to Rod or Billie about these)
- 19.00hrs** Meet in the bar for drinks prior to departing for Wolfgang Pucks Restaurant, Downtown Disney for dinner. Here you will enjoy a tasting menu for one of Florida's most exciting and upscale 'infusion-style' restaurants in Downtown Disney, while the chefs explain the dishes, flavours and cooking styles involved.
- Once dinner is over please enjoy the rest of the evening visiting other bars, restaurants and clubs Downtown Disney.
The Boardwalk is just a 15 minute ride in a cab.

Sunday 7th September 2007

- 06.30 (from)** Breakfast – your choice of venue.
- 09.15** Our coach will depart for the back of house visit to the Grand Floridian Resort and Spa, Disney's exclusive, Victorian age inspired resort.
- From Victoria and Albert's, a five-diamond gourmet restaurant, to the more casually elegant Citricos, Disney's Grand Floridian offers unparalleled dining opportunities.
- 14.30** Time to do some sightseeing, shopping or visit more concept restaurants.
- 16.00** Meet in the hotel reception to take a coach to Disney's Animal Kingdom
- 16.50** Sunset Safari adventure
- 17.30** Enjoy an African themed dinner at Tamu Tamu Courtyard, which is nestled in the Harambe Village next to Discovery River. This area is a true representation of the Arab-influenced Swahili culture and of the architecture of modern, coastal Kenya. You'll experience a banquet of exotic foods, with the chef explaining the flavours and cooking styles behind them.
- 19.00** Choice of returning Downtown Disney or to the Boardwalk to enjoy the nightlife of Orlando.

Monday 8th September 2007

- 06.30 (from)** Breakfast – your choice of venue
- Your last opportunity to visit hotels and restaurants in Orlando. We suggest the Beach Club, The Swan or The Dolphin resorts are all well worth a visit, and are walking distance from the Boardwalk.
- 12.00 noon** Luggage will be collected from our bedrooms by hotel porters
- 13.30hrs** Meet in the hotel reception area after settling our hotel 'extras' to identify luggage before it is loaded onto the coach.
- 14.00hrs** Depart the hotel by coach for Orlando airport
- 15.20hrs** Check in at Orlando airport
- 17.20hrs** Orlando airport depart **British Airways flight BA2036**

Tuesday 9th September 2007

- 06.25hrs** Arrive at London **Gatwick North Terminal** and depart for home