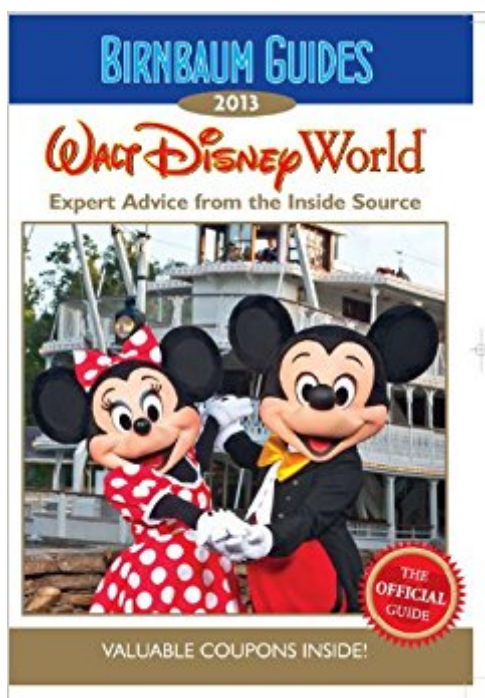


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# Birnbaum's Walt Disney World 2013 (Birnbaum Guides)



## Synopsis

Birnbaum's Walt Disney World, the most respected and well-known name in travel guides, takes readers to the world's most popular tourist attraction. Since ours is the only guidebook that's official, this book includes the most accurate information on prices, changes, and new attractions for 2013:--The Magic Kingdom's Fantasyland is undergoing a massive expansion. We offer expert coverage of all the new attractions and eateries in this evolving wonderland, including The Seven Dwarfs Mine Train coaster (an E-ticket addition to the park's attraction lineup), and the boisterous Be Our Guest dinner experience in the brand-new Beast's Castle.--Disney villains are causing trouble and only YOU can stop them!-- Birnbaum delivers the details of a new, interactive role-playing game known as Sorcerers of the Magic Kingdom. In this high-tech adventure, Merlin the Magician recruits park guests to help defeat an army of Disney villains.--There is a new resort in town: The colorful, "value" property dubbed Art of Animation. Birnbaum's description will help you decide if this family-friendly resort is for you--and show how to book a room or suite that suits your budget.--The Disney Dining Plan is ever-changing. Trust Birnbaum to deliver the latest on this popular program.--Downtown Disney is in the midst of a metamorphosis. Birnbaum describes the latest changes and additions to this shopping, dining, and entertainment district. Among the newest draws is Splitsville, WDW's go-to destination for bowling, billiards, and more. We will give you the skinny on this new play zone, plus many other additions to the Downtown Disney landscape.--Many classic Disney resorts are offering new layers of luxury--from princess or pirate rooms to wellness suites--and we have the scoop on getting the royal treatment at Walt Disney World.

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## Customer Reviews

I purchased this book to give to our 8 year-old grandson about 2 months before our trip which will be his first time to Disney World. I'm already fairly familiar with WDW having been there 5 times within the last 5 years, but this book is still very helpful because it gives a kid an opportunity to look through and choose some of the attractions they are especially interested in checking out. It helps build excitement for the trip. The plentiful pictures in the book helped me to become familiar with the names of the rides that are geared for kids his age that my husband and I skip over when we go ourselves. With that knowledge I also know how to find these attractions in the theme parks. The only reason I did not give it 5 stars is because some of the pictures captured his attention so quickly that he made decisions on wanting to experience them without having a better idea of what to expect. Please wish us good luck on "Mission Space". At least I know to only attempt the Green Team version!

Having bought the Birnbaum book for kids, I thought I would treat myself to the one for adults. The book is very user friendly and the pictures of what I'm about to experience are getting me that much more excited for my trip. Though not as detailed as the Unofficial book, this book feels more like a Cliff's Notes version with pretty images. Everything is pretty clear cut and straight forward but doesn't really give you as much insight than other guides. If you're looking for something easy to read with nice presentation, then this is the book for you. If you are looking for something that's got more depth and insight, then I would purchase the Unofficial Guide by Bob Sehlinger and Len Testa.

We bought this for our 7 years old niece and she loved it. It was great in that it helped her get more involved on the trip ahead of it, and it was always with her in the parks, to get autographs and read, as well as she cherishes it now after the trip. Since the trip involved flying, I also want to point out the following book to help with the travelling experience and make it more fun [Going on a Plane Sticker Book \(Usborne First Experiences\)](#). This was also very helpful in making the overall experience better.

If you've never been to WDW or have no other reference books that cover dining, this is a good

book. If you want a thin book to take along with you to the parks to make quick, last-minute decisions, this is a good book as well. I wouldn't use this for critical or popular reviews of restaurants at WDW. The focus is primarily on describing the type of food and service -- there isn't even a "star" rating on restaurants. If you're a Disney vet or have a Passport, this is superfluous.

This is by far the best and most detailed planning guide for Walt Disney World. The original has always been the best guide. Disney World is so large and ever changing landscape you must plan your stay to get the most bang for your time. This guide breaks down areas and gives good advice depending on the time of year you plan to visit. If you have a large group, family or even visiting alone, this guide will help you plan a trip to Disney World that you will enjoy. I would always recommend planning for your trips to Disney World and the Birnbaum Guide should be your planning guide for a great time that will make your Dreams come True!

Straight forward info of resorts, food and things to do. Well organized and easy to find what you are looking for. Went this year and going again next year. I would recommend always using current year. I also liked the timelines of what to book when

We order these books each year we are planning to go to WDW. They are an indispensable wealth of information that will help anyone with planning a vacation there. Whether you stay for a weekend or a few weeks, these books will keep you in the loop with everything from park schedules, character locations, and prices to how to get the most for your money (we're all broke these days) while trying to feed a family of four and still enjoy the Disney experience without freaking out. We get the kid's guide so that my daughter and son have something to keep them pumped on the way down, and then they give us an idea of what they'd like to do there before they walk through the front gate and get that deer in the headlights look. Haha though it is funny, with so much to do, it can be overwhelming if you don't have a game plan. My wife and I get the regular guide to pre-plan all the major stuff so when we get there we're pretty much set and can actually enjoy the trip rather than try to figure out how we're gonna fit all the major attractions in (no matter how you try, you won't be able to do everything in one trip).

It's useful when you are planning your vacation at WDW. It's fun to see little tidbits about the places and rides. I think you can find all the info online but you wouldn't get the coupons. I honestly didn't use any of them but that's because we didn't plan on doing those activities/purchasing at those

specific stores. The Disney store has this book so take a look before you plan on purchasing. You get a better deal on anyway.

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