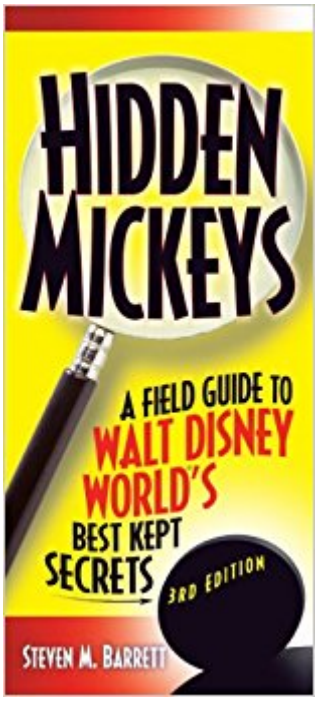
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# Hidden Mickeys: A Field Guide To Walt Disney World's Best-Kept Secrets, 3rd Edition




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## Synopsis

Described as a must have and definitely something that you'll want to bring along the next time you head down to WDW by Disney guru Jim Hill of jimhillmedia.com, Steve Barrett's Hidden Mickeys is a necessity for Walt Disney World buffs. This updated third edition adds scores of new hidden Mickeys and eliminates those erased by time.

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A great resource...[and] small enough that you could easily carry it around the parks with you. -- Jason Dziegielewski, The Geek's Library, Disneygeek.com, July 10, 2007Both an engaging game...and a sensible touring plan that will help you avoid standing in too many oppressive lines. -- Seth Kubersky, Orlando Weekly, September 6, 2007Steve's book is a great resource and fun for anyone who's been to the parks and wants more. -- Matt Hochberg, MGMStudios.com, June 28, 2007

My guess is that you have visited Disney World before, perhaps many times. But if I've guessed wrong, and this is your first visit, then this note is for you. Searching for Hidden Mickeys is lots of fun. But it's not a substitute for letting the magic of Disney sweep over you as you experience Walt Disney World (WDW) for the first time. For one thing, the scavenger hunts I present in this book do not include all the attractions in WDW. That's because some of them don't have Hidden Mickeys! For another, this book doesn't cover many things the first-time visitor should know and do to make that first trip to Disney World as magical as possible. So for first-time visitors (and repeat visitors

looking for a way to experience the attractions with less hassle), I recommend my guide, The Hassle-Free Walt Disney WorldÃ Â® Vacation. It contains up-to-date, customized touring plans for adults and teens, families with young children, and seniors, along with descriptions of all the WDW attractions, tips for planning your vacation, WDW restaurant ratings, coverage of the WDW Resort hotels, and suggestions for special things to do all around the "World." That doesn't mean you can't search for Hidden Mickeys, too. Just follow the suggestions in Chapter One of this book for "Finding Hidden Mickeys Without Scavenger Hunting."

Having this book made my twelve-year-old son's trip to Walt Disney World an over the top positive experience. Being a tweenage boy, he was concerned that Disney had a lot for girls and younger children. However, the Hidden Mickeys turned out to be something that was right up his alley, and this book proved to be a helpful resource to him in finding them.Before purchasing this book, we had simply considered getting a Hidden Mickey app. We figured that if we were already going to carry a device through the parks, adding an app wouldn't increase the bulk or the weight in our backpacks. (This was one of our concerns about purchasing a book.) We decided against an app, however, in large part due to the fact that our devices tend to be battery hogs; once a device goes down, an app would no longer be usable. So, we settled on a book. (It turns out that this book fit into our backpacks ok, and my son didn't much mind carrying it around the parks with him. Oftentimes, he simply carried it in his hands.)Aside from not needing a battery, this book also provided my son with the opportunity to make notes next to each Hidden Mickey that he found. He oftentimes simply made a check mark and noted the date. (The margins provided ample space for such notes.) As my son carried this book around (everywhere), its distinctive cover stood out to Disney Cast Members, so that many of them engaged him with, "Oh, are you looking for Hidden Mickeys? Did you see the one over here?"As a field guide, this book often led us right up to the Hidden Mickeys. There were a few (in the challenge section, "My Favorite Hidden Mickeys") that did prove a little too difficult for us to find. In the end, my son went back through his notes and counted up over 180 Hidden Mickeys that he did find. Many of these were so "hidden" that we would not have even known that they existed, except through the information given to us in this book.

Hidden Mickey's are a super fun way to pass the time as you wait in lines or just stroll the park! The book provides two ways to find them so you can either use the more vague clues and play the game or, you can use the descriptions giving the exact locations! It's fun for all ages and our kids love it every time we go! Love that it continues to get upgraded to reflect the constantly changing WDW

landscape too! Can’t wait for the next edition!

This book has made my trip so interesting. My whole family usually loves big thrill rides but 2 of my kids needed a tamer schedule this visit. We spent a lot of time on the fun activities and searching for hidden Mickeys. The one on the wall in Boma gave us a run for our money - we actually had to Google an image for an extra clue! Next time we plan a trip I will invest in the ebook, too. This was a rainy visit and my book needed to stay in a ziploc a lot. I also kept my phone in a ziploc, but the touch screen works through the plastic so the ebook would have been much easier to use.

Some are hard to find. And some vague at best. It was a lot of fun looking for the hidden Mickey’s. If this is you first or only time going to WDW, don’t worry about them. Enjoy you time and the rides. However, if you go to WDW often, these are great fun.

The book does the same thing the app does. Download the app instead so you don’t have to carry this book around.

The item is as described. Mr. Barrett comes through again! 23 days until we will be at Disney World hunting for those Mickey! I would purchase from this vendor again

Heading to Disney at the end of the year and wanted to brush up on hidden mickeys. This is a great book!

HIDDEN MICKEYS, 3RD EDITION: A FIELD GUIDE TO WALT DISNEY WORLD’S BEST-KEPT SECRETS is an entertaining little guide that will provide you and your family tons of fun while standing in the sometimes endless-seeming ride lines at Walt Disney World (WDW). This book contains information, clues, and hints to help you find Hidden Mickeys throughout the WDW theme parks, the resort hotels, and all the places in between. HIDDEN MICKEYS, 3RD EDITION: A FIELD GUIDE TO WALT DISNEY WORLD’S BEST-KEPT SECRETS contains details on over 700 Mickeys hidden around the WDW complex, and teaches you the rules of the game. The hunt for Hidden Mickeys is a great, fun-filled, family activity that adds even more magic and wonder to your trip to Mickey’s house.What is a Hidden Mickey? A Hidden Mickey is partial or complete image of Mickey Mouse, Minnie Mouse, Donald Duck, Goofy, or other Disney character that has been incorporated into the design and/or decoration of a ride, attraction, hotel, restaurant, etc. These images blend into

the area that surrounds them, and you need an eagle eye to spot each one. The most common Hidden Mickey is the classic three-circle Mickey head, but there are head profiles, body profiles, front silhouettes, detailed pictures, and even 3-D images. Sometimes it is just Mickey's gloves, handprints, shoes, or ears; or even his name or initials.Hidden Mickey's most likely originated during the late 1970s, early 1980s when the Disney PTB (Powers That Be) tried to restrict traditional Disney characters to the Magic Kingdom theme park. The folks designing EPCOT at the time could not resist hiding Mickey in the new park, and so Hidden Mickeys were born. People started spotting them, and now Hidden Mickeys are found in almost all new construction. The phenomenon has quite literally taken on a life of its own.HIDDEN MICKEYS, 3RD EDITION: A FIELD GUIDE TO WALT DISNEY WORLD'S BEST-KEPT SECRETS is set up as a series of six scavenger hunts, one each for the Magic Kingdom, EPCOT, Disney-MGM Studios, the Animal Kingdom, the resort's hotel, and the rest of the complex. You can keep score or just play for fun. Each section contains both clues for the hunt, which guide you to each Hidden Mickey, and hints, which basically tell you exactly what to look for if you can't find them. The hints and clues are easy to understand, and are laid out in a logical pattern that takes you in a rough circle throughout each park. There is even a map with each hunt to help verify the correct location.This handy guide fits easily in to a purse or carryall bag for quick and easy reference while on the hunt. It is definitely going to be part of our next WDW adventure, and I highly recommend that it be part of yours. We have already experienced the thrill of spotting a few Hidden Mickeys on our own and are very excited about the prospect of finding them all.

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