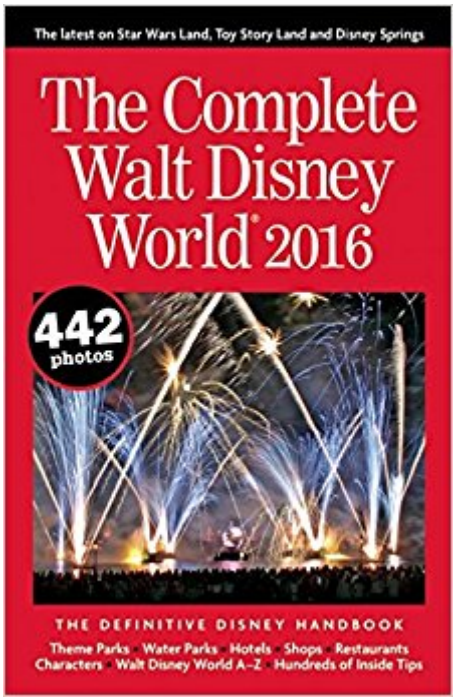
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# The Complete Walt Disney World 2016: The Definitive Disney Handbook




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## Synopsis

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I only give this 3 stars due to the brilliant and abundant color photos. I really wanted to give it 2. The writing leaves MUCH to be desired. I have the 2008 edition of this book, have enjoyed it, and since my husband and I are going back this year (special couples trip!) I thought I'd purchase the newest version with all its many updates. Wow, has the writing taken a down turn. I think the authors need to consider someplace else to visit and review for a while; clearly WDW is wearing thin on them. I get that any piece of writing, short of a technical manual, is going to have the author's personal touch, but these folks just take it too far. Yes, the Country Bear Jamboree is hokey and silly, but it's

also a MK original and really, there's no need to trash it so harshly. The same goes for many restaurant reviews. Describe for the reader the facts, and let them form their own opinions (honestly if I were a first-time visitor I would be quite apprehensive after reading this guide!!). Also, there are FAR too many "typos" in this tome. Not outright misspellings, perhaps, but plurals where there should be singulars, and vice-versa, as well as the wrong tense of verbs. Auto-correct isn't going to catch such things, you need to have a human do some proof-reading to put things in the correct context! It's too late to return this via  but I am certainly going to sell privately and find something a tad more uplifting.

We travel to Walt Disney World (WDW) two or more times per year. I have been purchasing the updated version of this book every year since 2007. There are some parts that are not rewritten each year, but not everything there changes every year. That said, many aspects of WDW change in a blink. The Neals do an excellent job of following those changes.I look forward to the release date of this book. I had this one in hand two days after  released it. Just in time for our next trip at the end of October 2014. There hasn't been a new edition in some time. Very grateful the Neals were able to make one available. (Bless the Neal family)I enjoyThe Complete Walt Disney World books more than any other guides, and I have purchased many over the years, Birnbaums is too proDisney, Granted, we are huge fans, but not everything is perfectly delightful to every person that passes through the gates. The Unofficial Guide has good information for a military march with the objective of get in, do as much as possible in the least amount of time and get out unscathed. The Complete Walt Disney series is much more balanced, not motivated by kickbacks, or with any other agenda than having a great time. It is obvious the Neals actually enjoy their time at the resort. They aren't afraid to be honest about everything they review, good, bad or indifferent. The books are made up of so much more than just reviews. Tips, phone numbers, address and so on abound.The photos in the book are excellent. The shots are unique and not always taken from the typical picture spots located everywhere throughout WDW. They are clear, beautifully composed and give a real taste of the variety and detail found in the parks and surrounding areas.Walt Disney World is huge and complex with millions upon millions of things going on, anywhere from updates to landscape, food to fireworks, entertainment to accommodations. What an informative resource to touch on all of it with clear, concise reviews. There are so many tips and treasures to be found on the pages, I read it from cover to cover each and every time I purchase one. The cost of the book is well worth the payoff. It has given us so much insight. We take it with us and review the activities we have planned, just so we don't forget any tidbits we want to check into. Do we agree with everything? No.

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Julie and Mike are back!!! This book just knocks it out of the park. I got mine yesterday and could not wait to dig in. I have been waiting 2 years for another edition of this amazing book. Each year the information in this book is updated and different so you are not reading the same thing over and over if you buy the 2008-2012 editions. The pictures are all updated too. So if you are a nerd and you love reading Disney Travel Guides every year...this is so refreshing because while the information given is accurate...it's always new. This is hands down by far the BEST guide out there. If you are new to Disney, or even if you are a "pro" this book is a must.

Great WDW guide book. Whether you are new to WDW or a regular visitor this guide book is really fantastic. Detailed info on every ride, attraction, restaurant and shop and an amazing amount of photos. The only drawback is the weight of the book but this is because it is printed on very high quality photo paper, so it is hard too mark it down for that. This book really gives you a great overview of the entire complex and making your way around. It includes lots of detailed info and insider tips. I am a long time Disney visitor and have purchased many of the different WDW guide books over the year. This one has now become the only one I purchase. I recommend it to everyone, especially anyone who is making their first trip to WDW. I continue to get one for myself so I can catch up on anything new, since there is usually several years between my visits. If you are going to buy a guide to WDW, you would be smart to make it this one.

Best Guidebook on Disney I have ever used--hands down! It is well-documented, filled with pictures, extremely easy to read (often funny) and quick to navigate - with its color-coded sections. The reviews are honest (no Disney platitudes here) and the tips are excellent. We're going to Disney World this coming February - so will be able to give a better assessment after we use it on site. But so far, very impressed!

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