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## Tips to Save Money

- Carry a water bottle for free ice water.
- Eat at quick service restaurants instead of getting table service.
- Get a villa instead of individual rooms.
- Stay off-site.
- Stay at a Value Resort.
- Bring your own autograph book.
- Go to lesser known sit-down restaurants.
- Get groceries delivered to your room for some meals.
- Eat breakfast outside of the park.
- Buy the refillable popcorn
- Go in the off season.
- Pack your own meals and snacks.
- Skip a park you are less interested in.
- Buy an Annual Pass.
- Bring your own ponchos.
- Buy Disney giftcards at Target with a REDcard to get a small percentage off.
- Use Skyscanner to find flights.
- Bring your own medicine and essentials.
- Buy cheaper ears before your visit.
- Use Swagbucks.
- Skip the holiday parties.
- Plan your visit for cheaper days, you will often find cheaper tickets for Monday to Thursday.
- Add an extra day, the more days you add to your ticket, the cheaper each day gets.
- Bring your own stroller.
- Plan a no park day - enjoy the resort amenities.
- Skip the park souvenirs.
- Enjoy a free movie night under stars at your resort.
- Sign up for Disney emails to get discounts.
- Visit during "Adventure Season" - the cheapest season.
- Look for Happy Hour deals at Disney Springs.
- Stay in an RV at Fort Wilderness.
- If you want to sleep in, get Disney's mid day tickets instead regular full-day tickets.
- Pack comfortable shoes to avoid buying shoes for sore feet.

## Free (or Cheap) Things To Do Without a Park Ticket

- Visit Disney Springs.
- Collect transportation cards.
- Watch fireworks.
- Enjoy live entertainment at Disney Springs.
- Watch the Electrical Water Pageant on Bay Lake.
- Movies Under the Stars at most Disney World Resorts.
- Spend time at the Water Parks (tickets are cheaper than Park tickets)
- Animal Viewing at Disney's Animal Kingdom Lodge.
- Digg for dino bones at T-Rex at Disney Springs.
- Spend time at the Boardwalk.
- Live Entertainment at Disney Springs.
- Pool side games and trivia at most of the resorts.
- Play mini golf at Fantasia Gardens located on the Disney Boardwalk.
- Ride the Skyliner and enjoy the views.
- Take a trip on the monorail and visit the Magic Kingdom resorts.
- Enjoy the outdoors at Disney's Fort Wilderness Campground.
- Rent a canoe or kayak at Disney's Fort Wilderness Resort and Campground.
- Hidden Mickey scavenger hunts at Wilderness Lodge.
- See butterflies at the Butterfly Garden located in the Contemporary Resort.

## Free Souvenirs

- Maps
- Autographs
- Stickers
- Buttons
- Pirate's Adventure Maps
- Wilderness Explorer's Guides
- Festival Passports
- Pressed Pennies (not free, but cheap)
- Transportation Cards
- Sorcerers of the Magic Kingdom cards

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## Free Things (That Require a Park Ticket)

- A Pirates Adventure – scavenger hunt type game in Adventureland.
- Food samples.
- Become a Wilderness Explorer at the Animal Kingdom.
- Pirate's Adventure at the Magic Kingdom.
- Free Coca-Cola sample at EPCOT.
- KidCot crafts around World Showcase.
- Jedi Training Academy at Hollywood Studios.
- Pixie Dust at Castle Couture.

## Budget

Item	Budget	Actual Cost

## Free Transport

### Buses

- Bus trip to and from any or all 4 of the parks.
- Bus from Disney Springs Area.
- Bus from a Disney Resort hotel.
- Bus trip to the water parks.

### Water Transportation

Water taxi or ferry to:

- Magic Kingdom
- EPCOT
- Hollywood Studios
- Disney Springs

### Monorail

- The Express Monorail to and from the Magic Kingdom.
- The EPCOT Monorail to and from EPCOT.
- The Resort Monorail (from the resorts) to and from Magic Kingdom park.

### Disney Skyliner

Disney Skyliner to/from EPCOT to/from:

- Disney's Pop Century
- Disney's Caribbean Beach
- Disney's Art of Animation
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