

Day 1 Arrival day 5/12/2014:

Weather when I left was 58...Orlando was 87 hot and humid

Left Providence at 8:30 and arrived at MCO at 11:20. Seeing my girlfriend is a snowbird she meet me at the check-in area for MDX. Once on the bus we talked and smiled all the way. Got to POFQ around noon and to both our surprise our room was ready. Not only were the rooms ready I got the building I had requested..building 5. So we went to the room and she dropped off her luggage (mine would be delivered later).



Now we headed to Downtown Disney via the boat ride from POFQ. Which is one of the biggest plus to staying at POFQ or POR?



When we were at Downtown Disney we met up with Figments Girl and her mother at Earl Of Sandwich and it was wonderful to finally put a face with one of the members. What can I say I hate pictures (am the one on the right). So from left to right we have Figments Girl, my girlfriend Lil and me.



We spend a wonderful time chatting with both Figments Girl and her mother. We went back to POFQ around 4:30 to relax as travel day is long. We did end up taking the boat to POR just to walk around around 6 and made it back to POFQ around 8:30pm and realize we hadn't had dinner but we really wasn't that hungry so we went to the Scat Cat's Club for a couple of nightcaps..Chocolate Martini.



Overall: the day was fantastic no boohoo issues.

Day 2 Magic Kingdom day 5/13/2014 (park hours 9am – 11pm):

Weather: mid 80's

The day started early as early as I wanted to catch the 8:30 am bus to MK to see the opening as that is a must. We had breakfast at Sassagoula Floatworks at 7:15 am. Breakfast was good but I was too excited so just sort of played with my food.

Our first ride was It's a small world (another must for me) then Philharmagic and Winnie the Pooh and then it was time for Peter Pan as we had FP for 10:45. After that we started toward Liberty Square and went right for our first Dole Whip (Lillian had never had one before) which ended up being our lunch. So we took our time enjoying every mouthful. After that we did the Jungle Cruise (which was a 45 minute wait..yikes), Riverboat ride, Haunted Mansion. Did some shopping and went on the People Mover. Am sure you noticed I jump all around. We had a FP for Disney Festival of Fantasy Parade and we had to go check in around 2:50 so we headed over to the Castle. I was a wonderful location for watching this parade and the parade didn't disappoint me at all. Maybe because of the time of year there weren't many people in this special viewing area or maybe people didn't want to use one of their FP's for this but in any advent we were very happy.





After the parade we did some more shopping and went Pirates of the Caribbean as we had our last FP of the day which was 4:25pm. After that we went in and out of more shops until it was dinner time. And I must say we were both getting hungry. I guess the Dole Whip wasn't enough for lunch. ☺

Dinner: Liberty Tree Tavern for 6:20pm which I must say is a must for me every trip. And as usual it was awesome.

After dinner we just did whatever until it was time for the Electric Parade which was at 9:00 pm followed by Wishes at 10:00 pm. Need I say anything more about either event as they are both dynamite.

We got back to POFQ and stopped in the Scat Cat's Club for another Chocolate Martini which is to die for maybe it was the way John the Bartender made them either way yummmmmmmmmmy.

Overall: the day was magical as it always is. The only boohoo was I didn't get to see the Flag Retreat at 5pm and I so wanted to see that and the biggest boohoo is no Seven Dwarfs Mine Train ride as it wasn't opened.

Day 3 Magic Kingdom/ Epcot day 5/14/2014:

****8:00 am – 1:00 pm was spent at MK**

2:00 pm – 9:00 was spent at Epcot

Weather: Mid 80's hot and humid; Thunderstorm/Rain from about 11:30 – 3:00 pm

We were up early 5:45 am as we had Marceline to MK Tour today. Can I just say how excited we were to do this tour as we have never, ever done a tour before. So we had breakfast at Sassagoula Floatworks and got the 7:30 bus to MK as we had to be there for 8:00 am. It was awesome to see main street and the Castle without millions and millions people. I can tell you our tour guide was just awesome and to go under the Haunted Mansion was dynamite and to learn things I didn't know has shed a new light on Haunted Mansion. So when I go back (which sadly won't be for 3 – 4 years) there will be another tour for sure. And the day only gets better because I had received an email from Disney giving us a FP for lunch at BOG. Wow 2 very magical things on the same day. So we had lunch at BOG and seeing that neither of us had been there before we took our time and walked around. It was just awesome.



Around 2:00 pm we were at Epcot and at 2:20 pm we had our first FP of the day for Spaceship Earth. After that we went to Pineapple Promenade so we could try our very first spiked Dole Whip with rum. And can I just say..let's have another. ☺



We walked around a few more countries and head to Soarin as we had a FP for 4:25 pm. We had to do Figment and Circle of Life. Our last FP of the day was for Living in the Land for 5:00 pm. We left there and headed towards Ellen's Energy Adventure.

Dinner: Garden Grill for 6:30 pm. This had been our first time there and I say it was ok but seeing I have been once I don't care to do that again. And the other thing was it was not revolving so that was disappointing.



Overall: MK was just over the top..with the tour and BOG..nothing but magic. The only boohoo was at Garden Grill because it was revolving and the food was just ok and you would think I would say the thunderstorm and rain would have put a damper on MK but it didn't..All magical

Day 4 Thursday Animal Kingdom/Epcot 5/15/2014:

****9:00 am – 1:30 pm was spent at AK**

2:30 pm – 9:00 was spent at Epcot

Weather: High 70's with early morning rain stayed cloudy all day.

We had breakfast at Sassagoula Floatworks around 7:45 am. We got the 8:45 bus to AK. We walked right to Africa as we had FP for Kilimanjaro Safaris for 9:25 am. It was great as it was really that hot so we got to see a lot of animals.



After that we did the Pangani Forest Explorations Trail which was very nice. From there we took the Wildlife Express Train which I had never done so I liked it. Don't know that I would have that on my to do list but I'm glad I did it once. We headed to Dinoland U.S.A as we had a FP for Dinosaur for 11:30. It is one of my favorites. After that we went in and out of some shops as we were heading towards Discovery Island as we had a FP for It's Tough to Be a Bug for 12:05 pm. I couldn't do Expedition Everest because my girlfriend will not do any roller coasters...sad to say so I never road TM, SM or Everest this trip. ☹️ But if I want to go to Disney that is a small price I have to pay.



We had lunch appetizers at Rainforest Café at 12:45 pm as that was on our way out.

We got to Epcot around 2:30 and headed right to Pineapple Promenade for another Spiked Dole Whip with Rum. With our drinks in hand we just scrolled around the countries taking in all the little shows in the different countries. And of we did some shopping. We did manage to get a FP for Illuminations.

Dinner: Coral Reef at 6:20 pm. The meal was fantastic as always.

We went to the FP spot to watch Illumination which was very disappointing as everyone was complaining that the spot was not great as there was trees and lamp posts in the way so there was only a very small area that was with using the FP option (in our opinion).

Back at POFQ we had to stop at Scat Cat's Club for another Chocolate Martini. What can I say it was a weakness of ours.

Overall: Day was great. No boo-hoos.

Day 5 Friday Free Day 5/16/2014:

Weather: Low 80's and not as humid.

We had breakfast at Sassagoula Floatworks around 8:30 am (but on our way to breakfast we put a load of laundry in...yup always do a load or two). After breakfast we put the close in the dryer and sat by the pool just planning what we were going to do on our 'free day'. Once laundry was done we got a bus to Hollywood Studios around 10:30 so that we could get the boat to Boardwalk. Neither of us had ever been so we very much enjoyed the boat ride and Boardwalk.



We did seat outside sharing a Cinnamon Sticky bun from the Boardwalk Bakery. I will say it was ok but not anything special. We did walk in to the different resorts and I have to say we both fell in love with the Beach Club..oh my it was gorgeous.

We landed back at POR for a light lunch as we were having dinner at California Grill. After lunch we went into their shop and walked back to POFQ. We were back to our resort by 4:30 so that gave us about 1 ½ hours to relax and get dressed for California Grill.

Dinner: California Grill at 7:30 pm. Just love this signature restaurant. The food and waiter was just awesome. And for some reason we (me and Lil) got a free glass of champagne. Um... LOL And can I say how yummy this meal was.



One of the perks of eating at this restaurant is you can see the MK fireworks with the music and without all the crowds and the Electric Water Pageant ..doesn't get any better than this.

Overall: This was one of my best 'free' day ever from beginning to end. Of course there was another Chocolate Martini waiting for us when we got back home (POFQ). And for sure no 'boohoos' today.

Day 6 Friday Hollywood Studios 5/17/2014:

Weather: Mid 80's and humid.

We had breakfast at Sassagoula Floatworks around 7:45 am. I will say that when I found out that this was the first official weekend of Star Wars I was very nervous because of the crowds and I like Star Wars but am more a Star Trek person (don't be mad at me). But it was never a problem.

As soon as we walked in the park we were greeted with Star War Troopers. Can I say that just put us in the mood if you know what I mean? Actually I thought they were sort of scary when then came right up to you. 😊



Our first FP was for The Great Movie Ride for 9:05am so we eat and got the bus to Hollywood Studios. I know this ride isn't a must do ride but I do love it corny lines and all. From there we went into a couple of the shops (of course what else would 2 females do?) And shopping is work (right ladies) we were thirsty and a little hungry and it was noon so we decided to get a little something at Studio Catering as we had early dinner reservation. After lunch we headed to our next FP Toy Story 1:10. I can't imagine trying to this ride without a FP. After Toy Story we tried to get in to The Legend of Captain Jack Sparrow (as it was new to both of us) and we got our passes however after waiting 25 minutes we were told that they were having 'technical difficulty' and to try and come back later in the day and they would honor our passes. However, we never did make it back so I guess that will stay unknown to us..at least for now. So we went to Walt Disney: One Man's Dream which we both enjoyed. I so wanted to do The Magic of Disney Animation but I just plum forgot about it. I guess next time I will have to engrave it on my hand. 😊 Not that I can draw but I just thought it would be fun. Next up was Muppet Vision 3D another one of my favorites and we had no wait at all. After that we did Studio Backlot Tour. As it 3:45 I said we better head over to Echo Lake as that was where our last FP was Star Tours at 4:00 pm. I do love that ride.

Dinner: Jedi Mickey's Star Wars Dine at Hollywood & Vine with Fantasmic at 6:00 pm. This was our first time at Hollywood & Vine and I would have to say it was ok but I won't have that on my list to eat there again. I will say what I enjoyed was seeing the characters dressed up in Star Wars attire.



After dinner we headed over to get our seats for Fantasmic. I know from different posting that it is not a favorite of a lot of people but we really enjoyed it and our seats were great. I have to say having the Fantasmic package was worth it..no waiting in line is great.



Overall: The day was good as I thought we would be shoulder to shoulder with people and we weren't. And I enjoyed seeing all the people dressed up not only the characters. The only boohoo of the day was when I checked my remaining meals it said we had no TS services left...which I knew wasn't right so when we got back to POFQ we went to the desk and what happened was the waitress at Coral Reef had somehow charged us for 4 TS not 2 TS and am not sure how that was done because I always check the receipt and it showed us the correct number of TS left. But thankfully we did get that straighten out. And there was one more boohoo thing..the young lady seating at the next table at Hollywood & Vine was the most out of control young lady I have seen in a long time and the parents did nothing. She would slide off her chair and go under the table and from there she would jump out and more than once almost ran into other customers walking by and once she banged into our table which caused some of our drink to spill. And when I say young lady she must have been between 11 – 14. Plus the fact I wasn't feeling my best..was having a sinus issue.

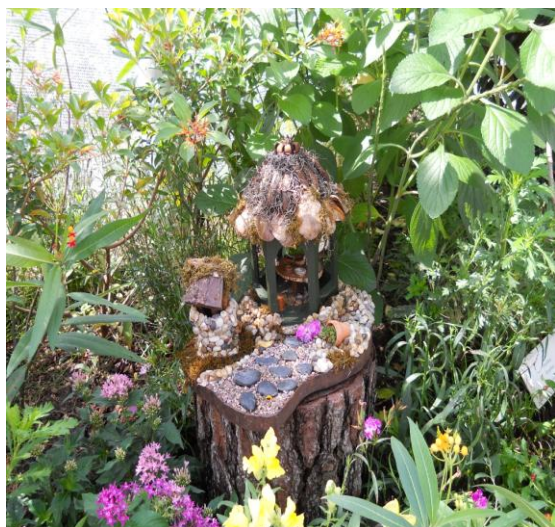
Day 7 Friday Epcot/Magic Kingdom 5/18/2014:

****9:00 am – 2:00 pm was spent at Epcot**

4:30 pm – 1:00 am was spent at Magic Kingdom

Weather: Mid 80's and some humidity

We had breakfast at Sassagoula Floatworks around 8:00 am and after breakfast headed to Epcot as it was our last day. I must say that we had never been for the Flower & Garden Festival and we found it absolutely beautiful (event though it was the last weekend). So forgive me for sharing (just a couple) some of my favorite photos (which has to include one of Tinkerbell).



Of course we had saved all our snacks to eat which was wonderful. We really did do any rides as our focus was to take in all the beautiful flowers. They were spectacular. We left Epcot around 2:00 pm so we could have some downtime before we headed to MK for the last time. ☺

We got to MK around 4:30 and just went in to the shops on Main Street for the last time. And we saw Move It! Shake It! Celebrate It! Street Party at 5:40pm. If that doesn't get you moving I don't know what will. Can someone please tell me how they can move on stilts like the do? Simple amazing!



After that we headed towards Under the Sea-Journey of the Little Mermaid as we had a FP for 6:15 pm. My girlfriend had been on this ride so all for Fantasyland was all very new to her. After that we walked to It's a Small World (yup just had to ride it). ☺

Dinner: Be Our Guest at 7:10 pm. I will say it is so different from the lunch time. We thoroughly enjoyed it and our meal was just awesome. And meeting the Beast was really something as we are both 5 ft so it was interesting. 😊



After dinner we were really stuffed so we just walked around taking in all the sites for the very last time. Even with all the people MK is still and always will be very magical to me. And to end with the fireworks what more can anyone say?

Overall: We couldn't have asked for a better last day to see Epcot in all its glory and to be in my opinion where all the Magic begins Magic Kingdom. It was a very late night as we were there till the end ..well almost the end as we left at 12:30 so I have to say we didn't stop for our Chocolate Martini. 😊

Day 7 Last Day 5/19/2014:

Weather: Mid 80's and some humidity

We were in no rush as we were not getting on MDX (magical express) until 12:30 as our flight was at 3:15 pm. And it is always so sad to leave the most Magical place but it is nice to go home to my husband and doggie as well.

We had breakfast at Sassagoula Floatworks around 8:30 am. Of course on our way to breakfast we dropped of our final load of clothes in the washer and after breakfast putting it in the dryer. I know sick but I hate coming home and having to do all that laundry. Plus I hate putting my new treasures in with dirty clothes. I know just another excuse..did it work?

We took the boat to Downtown Disney to say goodbye as it is a must seeing it is the first place I visit when I get there it has to be the last place. Sorry just another quirk of mine.

Overall for the entire trip: I wouldn't change anything because any experience (good or bad) is something that you will remember whether it is a place, ride or dining experience. And for me staying on property is always a must with the free airport transportation, free delivery to your hotel (so you don't have to carry your treasures around all day or rent a locker), dinning plan (again a must for me) and to me it truly makes me feel like am home. The only thing I wish was that I wasn't feeling 100% on my last 2 days. But even that didn't stop me. ☺ Let me try to explain why my trip report starts with Magical and Sad..

Magical - because everything about Disney (to me) is magical from the minute I got on Magical Express and all the sights, smells and everything else that tells me am home.

Sad – because it will be 3 – 4 years before I can be back to the most magical place as long as am healthy. So while I wait these 3 – 4 years I will live through you all watching you make your plans, the excitement of it all and the fabulous trip reports.

And to say how grateful I am for the creators of this site that is for adults only. As we all know planning for adults only is different from planning with children. So I just love hearing everyone's thoughts for their trips.