Disney's Old Key West Resort

Deluxe Villa Resort - Disney Springs Area. From Tiffany at Travel Magic Network. Personalized planning from first call to final itinerary.

A laid-back village inspired by the Florida Keys - pastel buildings, porches, palm trees and waterways, centered on the Hospitality House.

At a glance: Deluxe Villa Resort · Disney Springs area · Villas sleep 4 to 12 · Boat to Disney Springs, bus to the parks · Sandcastle Pool + 3 leisure pools

The vibe - island time

- [ ] **The original Disney Vacation Club resort** (opened 1991) - a laid-back village inspired by the Florida Keys, not a tower hotel
- [ ] Pastel buildings, porches, palm trees, waterways and golf-course greens - **calm, green and spread out**
- [ ] Centered on the **Hospitality House** - check-in, dining, main pool and boat dock in one place
- [ ] Deluxe perks: **Early Theme Park Entry** (30 minutes early, every park, every day) and extended evening hours on select nights

Rooms and villas - room to spread out

- [ ] **Some of the largest rooms on Walt Disney World property** - the big reason families choose Old Key West
- [ ] **Deluxe Studio - sleeps 4:** 2 queen beds and a kitchenette with microwave and mini-fridge
- [ ] **1-Bedroom Villa - sleeps 5:** king bed, queen sleeper sofa and twin sleeper chair, with a **full kitchen**
- [ ] **2-Bedroom Villa - sleeps 8:** a studio and a 1-bedroom combined - two bathrooms and room for the whole crew
- [ ] **Three-Bedroom Grand Villa - sleeps 12:** a full home for multigenerational trips and big reunions
- [ ] **1-Bedroom and larger** also add a **washer and dryer** and a balcony or patio

Dining

- [ ] **Olivia's Cafe** (table service) - beloved spot for American comfort food with a Keys twist; book ahead for dinner
- [ ] **Good's Food to Go** - quick-service burgers, sandwiches and breakfast by the main pool
- [ ] **Gurgling Suitcase** - the cozy little libations bar tucked beside Olivia's; **Turtle Shack** serves snacks at the Old Turtle Pond Road pool

Pools and downtime

- [ ] **Sandcastle Pool:** 149,000-gallon feature pool with a **125-foot waterslide** through a giant sandcastle, lighthouse and whirlpool spa
- [ ] **Three quiet leisure pools** spread through the village - Old Turtle Pond Road, South Point and Miller's Road - each with its own whirlpool spa
- [ ] Slow down Keys-style: **bike rentals**, tennis and pickleball, basketball, volleyball, fishing, jogging paths, a fitness center and Movies Under the Stars. Pack **rain gear** for Florida afternoons

Getting around

- [ ] **Boat to Disney Springs** - the scenic water launch from the Hospitality House dock is a highlight in itself, and the easiest dinner-and-shopping run of any resort
- [ ] **Buses to all four theme parks** and the water parks - there is no Skyliner or monorail here, so allow a little extra travel time
- [ ] The resort is **large and spread out**: an internal bus loop links villa areas to the Hospitality House. Most buildings have **no elevators** - request ground floor if stairs are a concern. Prices vary by season, so we quote by dates and party size
- [ ] Use **MagicBand+ / DisneyBand+** for easy access - park entry, ride taps, dining plan, room door and room charges, all on your wrist

Best for - is this your resort?

Old Key West trades park-hopping speed for space and calm. It shines when the resort itself is part of the vacation.

PERFECT IF YOU

- [ ] Travel as a **large family or multigenerational group** and need everyone under one roof
- [ ] Want a **kitchen and laundry** for longer stays, rest days and home-style breakfasts
- [ ] Plan real time at **Disney Springs** and love a boat ride to dinner

THINK TWICE IF YOU

- [ ] Want to walk or ride a gondola to a park - here, **parks are by bus only**
- [ ] Prefer a compact resort where everything is **two minutes from your room**
- [ ] Are planning a short, park-from-open-to-close trip with **no resort days**

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TRAVEL MAGIC NETWORK - RESORT GUIDE

Disney's Saratoga Springs Resort & Spa

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Deluxe Villa perks: Early Theme Park Entry (30 minutes early, every park, every day), **Extended Evening Hours** on select nights, dining for the whole stay at 60 days out, Lightning Lane booking 7 days out, and free Disney transport.

The vibe - calm, spacious, Victorian

- Inspired by **Saratoga Springs, New York** - the late-1800s retreat town famous for horse racing and mineral spas - with pastel Victorian buildings and racing touches
- Set between **rolling golf course greens and Village Lake**, directly across the water from Disney Springs
- One of the **largest, quietest resorts** at Walt Disney World - landscaped paths, lakes and a real change of pace from the parks

Rooms and villas - studios to treetops

- **Deluxe Studios sleep 4,** with a kitchenette - the entry point for couples and small families
- **1- and 2-Bedroom Villas** (2-Bedroom sleeps 8) add a **full kitchen, living room and washer/dryer** - built for longer stays
- **3-Bedroom Grand Villas sleep 12** - the multigenerational trip headquarters
- **Treehouse Villas sleep 9:** three-bedroom homes raised in the woodlands along the river, with a private deck and their own quiet pool
- **Pick your section:** The Springs is closest to the lobby and main pool; **Congress Park** is closest to Disney Springs; The Paddock, The Grandstand and The Carousel are quieter. **Preferred rooms** sit in The Springs or Congress Park

Dining - dinner here, big nights next door

- **The Turf Club Bar & Grill:** the table-service restaurant - dinner only, with **prime rib, steaks** and golf course and lake views, plus a lounge for a quieter drink
- **The Artist's Palette:** quick service by the lobby - hot breakfasts, sandwiches, salads and grab-and-go, with a small market for villa kitchens
- The real headline: **Disney Springs is a walk or boat ride away** - dozens of restaurants for your big dining nights, no park ticket needed

Getting around - the Springs is the star

- **Walk to Disney Springs** on the lakeside path - quickest from Congress Park - or take the **free boat from the Carriage House dock** across Village Lake
- **Buses run to all four parks** and the water parks - bus-only for park days, so build in the ride time
- The resort is **spread out, with several internal bus stops** - your section decides your walk to the lobby and pools
- Set up **MagicBands** for easy access - room doors and room charges, all on your wrist

Pools, spa and play - five pools

- **High Rock Spring Pool:** the main pool by the Carriage House - waterfalls, **zero-depth entry**, a 128-foot waterslide and a Donald Duck splash play area
- **The Paddock Pool:** a second feature pool with a **146-foot waterslide**, horseshoe-shaped whirlpool spa and its own splash area
- Three **leisure pools** - at The Grandstand, Congress Park and the Treehouse Villas - for a quiet swim nearby
- **Community Hall** with games and crafts, an arcade, bike rentals, tennis and basketball, campfire activities and movies under the stars
- **Fitness center** by the Carriage House - **Senses Spa is currently unavailable** and no reservations can be booked; for spa treatments, head to the **Grand Floridian Spa** instead

Golf next door - through the resort itself

- **Disney's Lake Buena Vista Golf Course** winds right through the resort - an 18-hole, classic country-club course past the villas, pine forests and lakes
- Known for its **island-green 7th hole** - book tee times early on resort days

Best for - and the trade-offs

BEST FOR

- Multigenerational groups and friends - villas that actually fit everyone
- Longer stays, golfers, and Disney Springs fans who dine out every night
- Guests with a car, and anyone who wants a quiet home base after loud park days

KNOW BEFORE YOU BOOK

- Bus-only to the parks, and a big footprint - little legs will feel the walks
- The theming is elegant rather than character-filled - small kids get less visual Disney here
- Treehouse Villas are remote - a boat or bus ride from the lobby and main pool

Not sure which section or villa size fits your trip? That's my job.

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Disney's Riviera Resort

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The European Riviera, Disney-style: elegant, compact and calm - inspired by Walt Disney's travels along the French and Italian coasts.

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The vibe

- **The European Riviera, Disney-style:** elegant, compact and calm - inspired by Walt Disney's travels along the French and Italian coasts, and one of Disney's newest resorts (opened 2019)
- Look for the **mosaic murals** of Tangled and Peter Pan by the Skyliner walkway, and photos from Walt's own European trips
- A **boutique feel** for a Deluxe: one main lakeside building, so pools, dining and the Skyliner are all a short walk
- Many rooms and the rooftop terrace face the water, with **views of the EPCOT and Hollywood Studios fireworks** at night

Rooms and villas

- **Tower Studios - sleep 2:** a clever, couples-only room found nowhere else at Disney, with a queen pull-down bed - the most affordable way into this resort
- **Deluxe Studios - sleep 5:** queen bed, queen pull-down and a single pull-down, plus a kitchenette
- **1-Bedroom Villas - sleep 5; 2-Bedroom Villas - sleep 9** (lock-off versions sleep 10): full kitchen, living room and an in-unit washer and dryer
- **3-Bedroom Grand Villas - sleep 12:** the whole group under one roof, with Preferred View over the lake and Skyliner
- **No membership needed:** it is a Disney Vacation Club resort, but anyone can book - just ask me to check availability

Dining

- **Topolino's Terrace - Flavors of the Riviera:** rooftop signature dining in French and Italian flavors, with sweeping views - and at breakfast, **Breakfast a la Art with Mickey, Minnie, Donald and Daisy** in their artist outfits. Book it first at 60 days; it goes fast
- **Primo Piatto:** the quick-service spot, and a good one - sandwiches, salads, pasta and breakfast at pool level
- **Le Petit Cafe:** lobby cafe for specialty coffee and pastries by day, turning into a wine bar in the evening
- **Bar Riva:** open-air poolside lounge for cocktails and light Mediterranean bites

Getting around

- **Its own Disney Skyliner station:** ride **direct to EPCOT**, and change once at the Caribbean Beach hub for **Hollywood Studios** - also your link to Pop Century and Art of Animation
- **Buses** cover Magic Kingdom, Animal Kingdom, Disney Springs and the water parks

Pools and downtime

- **Riviera Pool:** the feature pool, with a waterslide winding down a stone tower and plenty of lounge space
- **S'il Vous Play:** the kids' splash area beside it, themed to European fountains with a ballet of Fantasia characters
- **Beau Soleil Pool:** the quiet leisure pool for a slower afternoon
- Plus a fitness center, movies under the stars and a campfire - and **pack rain gear** for Florida showers

Who Riviera is best for

Riviera shines when EPCOT and Hollywood Studios are the heart of the trip - you glide to both, then come home to a resort that feels grown-up and restful.

A GREAT FIT IF YOU ARE

- ☐ **Couples** - a Tower Studio plus Topolino's at sunset is a trip in itself
- ☐ **Families of 5** in a Deluxe Studio, or **multi-generational groups** spreading out in a villa with a full kitchen
- ☐ Food-focused travelers who want a **character breakfast without a park ticket** that morning

GOOD TO KNOW

- ☐ Magic Kingdom days mean a **bus ride** - there is no monorail, boat or walkway from here
- ☐ Topolino's character breakfast is **menu-style, not a buffet** - and it is one of the hardest reservations at Disney
- ☐ Ask me about **Preferred View** rooms for the lake, pool and fireworks outlook

Thinking Riviera? I will match your group to the right room.

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