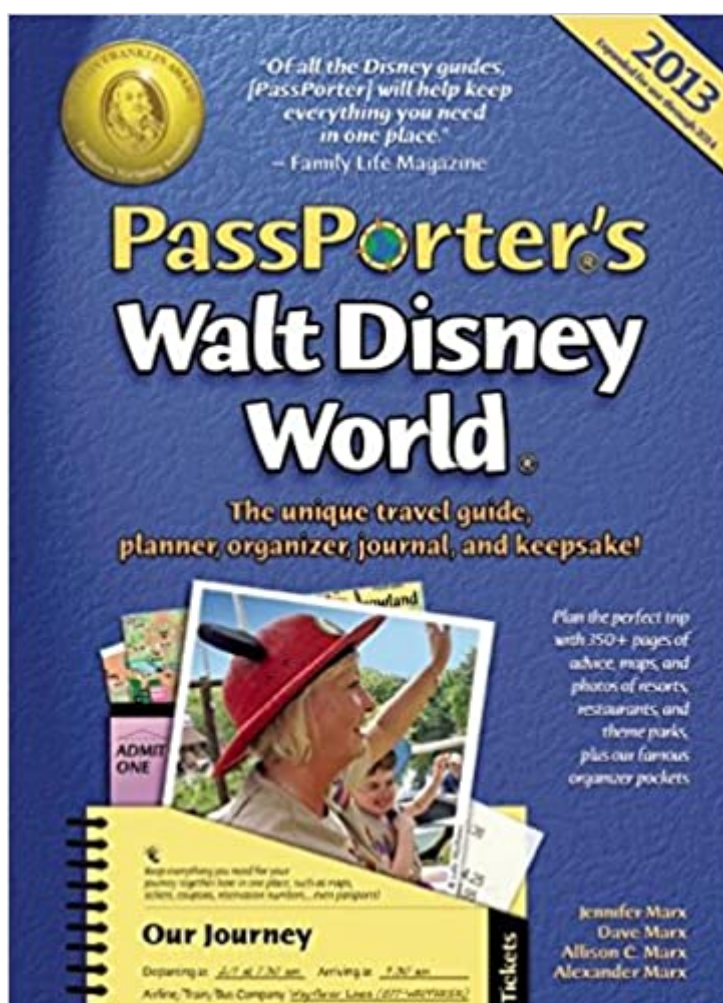


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# PassPorter's Walt Disney World 2013: The Unique Travel Guide, Planner, Organizer, Journal, And Keepsake!



## Synopsis

Design magical vacations with this award-winning travel guide and planning system for everyone's favorite playground. With four major theme parks and 21 hotels packed into 47 square miles, planning a trip to Disney World can be a daunting task. This indispensable travel planner simplifies the process, keeping travelers on schedule, within budget, and ready for fun. Each of the four major parks &#151; Magic Kingdom, Epcot, Disney's Hollywood Studios, and Disney's Animal Kingdom &#151; gets in-depth coverage, complete with full-color fold-out maps and a description of every ride and attraction. Exhaustive profiles of Disney-owned resort hotels feature detailed maps, color photos, and room layouts. The guide also covers all of the park's 300+ dining options. A concise, up-to-date review with average meal cost is provided for each venue, from full-service restaurants to counter-top eateries. Fourteen handy organizer pockets store maps, passes, receipts, itineraries, notes, and to-do lists.

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## Customer Reviews

Jennifer Marx fell in love with Walt Disney World on her first visit as a teenager in 1983. She has since returned more than 100 times, visiting every park, attraction, resort, and restaurant many times. As author of over a dozen popular computing books, she yearned to write one about Walt Disney World but felt no interest in churning out yet another travel guide when there were so many excellent books already available. When she hit upon the idea of the PassPorter, she knew she could offer her fellow vacationers something unique and valuable. With the help of the PassPorter,

Jennifer has organized gatherings at Walt Disney World for individuals, groups, and families of all ages and stages. Jennifer makes her home in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Dave Marx may be considered a Renaissance Man, a jack-of-all-trades, or a dilettante, depending on how you look at things. He took a 20-year hiatus between his early journalism training and the commencement of his full-time writing career. Beyond co-authoring numerous books with Jennifer, he's been a radio writer/producer; recording engineer; motion picture music editor; broadcast engineering supervisor; tax preparer; cab driver; whitewater safety and rescue instructor; developer and instructor of online publishing courses; and newsletter editor and promotions chief for an online forum. He has also co-authored and contributed to numerous books about America Online and the Internet. He discovered the 'World' (Walt Disney World, that is) in 1997 and has been immersed in its magic ever since. Dave is from New Jersey, and now makes his home in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Allison Cerel Marx is a veteran visitor to Walt Disney World (and Dave's 20-year-old daughter), and you can watch her grow through various ages and stages, thanks to her contributions to the guidebook. She has a maniacal grin, especially when spinning one of Mad Hatter's teacups at top speed or dragging Dad onto a thrill ride. She's camped at Fort Wilderness, celebrated Millennium New Year's Eve in the Magic Kingdom, and photographed animals at Animal Kingdom Lodge Resort. She shares her 'A-OK!' ratings and her popular tips for kids, tweens, and teens on the attractions in the 'Touring the World' chapter. Allie also offers her thoughts on the childcare clubs on property.

My family takes a trip to Disney every four years. This book does an excellent job of providing all of the information that anyone could possibly need regarding basic park info, changes that have occurred at the parks, and my favorite.....detailed descriptions of each and every ride. When you have kids that have differing opinions about what is fun, this information helps tremendously. I even tear out the pages that I find most helpful and enclose them in a notebook in my backpack. That way if there are any questions, I can easily refer back to the information. I would recommend this book to anyone visiting Disney.

This is the second PassPorter I bought. We used one for our first trip to Disney World in 2006. My niece and I spent hours planning out the trip watching videos and going through guide books. Only partly to have a plan of attack but mostly for the fun of anticipating the trip. The PassPorter is pretty good for planning, but also works out great to create a scrap book to remember your trip. It is too big

to carry around the park with you unless you're going to lug a backpack or have a stroller so its use on site may be limited to morning planning and evening note taking sessions. About a quarter of the book is about lodging and resort areas so for the fullest value you need to have the book before you start planning. If you don't stay on site, the book can still help since there are some nice restaurants and other experiences at the different resorts you can find out about. Another quarter are "file" pages with pockets and places for notes and some stickers to get your "scrap booking" started. On this year's trip we are taking a niece from the first trip and one of her cousins that has never been there. Both are 18 but excited about going. I bought the book for the cousin that has never been. I put printouts of the flight, hotel, restaurant reservations, and daily hours in the pockets and sent the book to her and she is enjoying the growing anticipation for the trip. A folded 8.5x11 sheet fits easily into the file page pockets. The rest of the book has descriptions of all the entertainment, rides, and restaurants along with interesting other items about the park like how to use fast passes and what hidden mickys are. There is so much to cover that the descriptions are not highly detailed but gives you an idea of what to expect. For me the best part is the day planning guide that suggests what order to visit rides to get the shortest lines for the types of rides your group is likely to want. That can give you a basic starting plan that you adjust to your own preference. This book is excellent for the first time visitor, or if it's been a while since your last visit. The secondary purpose is to be a memory book with places for notes, tickets, pictures and such. There are pages for character autographs but again the book is a little large to carry in the park. If you want to know everything about everything you will probably need another book to go along with this one (I like the Unofficial Guide series) and also spend a lot of time on the Disney World web site.

The PassPorter's Walt Disney World any year is fabulous!! If you are planning your first trip or your tenth trip, this planner is perfect. There are tips along the way, honest reviews of everything, and in the back a place to track and keep things. When the new guide arrives in my household, we grab our highlighters and comb through together, highlighting everything we are going to do. From which WDW property we will select to where will we eat and when. This book gets everyone in the house excited about our trip. Each person gets to choose what they want to do, we negotiate and share so everyone has a voice. This has proved helpful while on vacation because it eliminates the stress of decision making when tired, hot, hungry, etc. Everyone knows in advance the itinerary and takes pride in the knowledge that they helped make it happen. After our trip, the planner looks like a smash book. It's filled with handwritten notes, highlighter markings, post-it flags and new memories that were made. I cannot say thank you enough to Jennifer Marx for making my planning over the

years so much smoother and enjoyable by using her book. Outstanding!

I love the maps included in the book. They are color maps and clearly labeled. They also give you an idea of how far attractions are from each other. I also like that they included the author's opinions as well as reader opinions so you get ratings from several points of view when evaluating attractions and restaurants. The pocketed sections in the back were perfect for me to store additional info and memories from our trip. We just returned from Disney World, and I filled in the itinerary sections of the book so that I can go back and review everything we did. I plan to purchase another book to give to a friend who is planning a trip to Disney. I highly recommend this book.

I get the yearly passporter to keep track of all the paperwork and maps and other items from my trips to WDW...the guidebook is clear, very easy to use, and updated yearly. Its colorful and gives excellent information, particularly breaking down the appeal of attractions by young kids, teens, and adults. Its less helpful when looking at touring plans, for which you should turn to The Unofficial Guide to Walt Disney World each year -- but I like these volumes and keep them forever.

I ordered this guide for our up coming "first time to Disney" trip. I scanned it while still at Borders, but found it cheaper on . I truly fell in love after reading it cover to cover. I will, of course, update after our trip is completed. I feel I am more prepared, and feel less anxiety about planning this trip for our entire family (grandparents, parents and children). I love the maps with the "Touring with adults and/or kids" on the back of the maps. I appreciated the 3 rating for each attraction/dining from different points of view. I think I will use the travel information pockets (in per day format) although I wish they came out, so I didn't have to bring the book (weight), but we will see :-)

Very informative.

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