

Cooler Weather, New Attractions, More Adventures Come to Kissimmee

KISSIMMEE (OCTOBER 2013)- Cooler weather is making its way to Kissimmee, the gateway to fun, along with some exciting new experiences that will amaze the whole family. From spectacular dinner shows featuring the best in horsemanship to chilling ice exhibits, a Kissimmee vacation is sure to leave lasting memories.

Arabian Nights, a Kissimmee favorite, launched a new show in honor of its 25th anniversary. The new storyline, "The Royal Celebration," brings new excitement to the show while maintaining fan favorites that have entertained for more than two decades. "The Royal Celebration" invites you to the wedding of two young lovers from rival families. This rivalry sets the scene for an exciting display of horsemanship and equestrian artistry. Along with the new storyline, there is also a whole new look, a new menu, a wide variety of horse breeds and spectacular new feats of acrobatics.

Guests at Walt Disney World Resort can now immerse themselves even further into the remarkable nightly entertainment with the debut of the new magical Mickey Hats which literally **Glow with the Show**. The new ears use state-of-the-art technology to light up and synchronize with shows such as "Fantasmic!," "Wishes" fireworks show and "Celebrate the Magic" nighttime projection show at Magic Kingdom Park. The ears also will light up the holidays and offer up some special surprises during "The Osborne Family Spectacle of Dancing Lights" and "Holiday Wishes: Celebrate the Spirit of the Season."

The royal doors have opened and Disney's fairytale princesses are waiting to meet guests inside **Fairytale Princess Hall**, the newest addition to the new Fantasyland area of Magic Kingdom. Step inside the lavishly designed hall where portraits of fairytale princesses and landscapes adorn the walls, Cinderella's glass slipper sits on display and ornate stained-glass windows shine with color. Select your path to personally meet with Cinderella or Rapunzel and one visiting princesses.

Gaylord Palms Resort invites you to join Frosty, everyone's favorite snowman, and his friends on their quest to the North! Beginning November 23, ICE! at Gaylord **Palms** will feature more than two million pounds of hand-carved ice sculptures including Frosty the Snowman and four ICE! slides. New in 2013, you'll enjoy a bonus area featuring "Artisans in Action" – a LIVE ice carving zone! Take a fun journey through the Frostbite Factory and watch a masterful ice carver from Harbin, China up close as he creates amazing sculptures before your eyes.

The grass is truly greener in Kissimmee as **Green Meadows Petting Farm** also celebrates its 25th anniversary. The friendly animal haven has welcomed visitors of all ages since its opening in the late eighties and continues to immerse people through touching animal encounters, engaging learning activities and a glimpse at the farm-life in a friendly and relaxed environment. Unique experiences include a 1-mile train tour around the farm, adventurous hay rides, cow milking and more.

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Kissimmee visitors looking for a retail therapy now have more than 150 stores to choose from at the **Orlando Premium Outlets - Vineland Ave**. An extra 110,000-square-feet (9,900-square-meters) space with 12 new stores opened its doors this fall. The new area, known as The Promenade will be anchored by Saks Fifth Avenue Off 5th and will include the area's first Tommy Bahama Outlet, Forever 21, Gap Outlet, dining options, an Information Center and more.

Lake Buena Vista Factory Stores also recently opened one new and two renovated stores, adding to the more than 400 designer brands located in the spacious villagestyle outlet shops. Shoppers can now save at the new Polo Assn. and the renovated OshKosh B'Gosh and Tommy Hilfiger stores.

More than six million annual travelers visit Kissimmee to vacation minutes from Orlando's world famous theme parks and experience the destination's unrivaled entertainment options—from outdoor adventures on ziplines and airboats to exceptional dining, shopping and championship golf.

Choose from among more than 46,000 total accommodations to include luxury resorts, comfortable and well-known hotels and motels, a large collection of vacation home rentals, villas and more. For information about places to stay, more discount offers and things to do in the Kissimmee area, visit www.experiencekissimmee.com.

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