When Walt Disney opened Disneyland on July 17, 1955, he said he hoped it would be “a source of joy and inspiration to all the world.” Since then, the Disneyland Resort has welcomed guests from all across the world, expanding to become an approximately 500-acre, multifaceted, world-class family resort destination, complete with two renowned Disney theme parks, three hotels and the exciting shopping, dining and entertainment area known as Downtown Disney District.

Disneyland introduced the world to an entirely new concept in family entertainment. Today, it continues to use creativity, technology and innovation to bring storytelling to new heights, while fulfilling Walt Disney’s vision that “Disneyland will never be complete as long as there is imagination left in the world.”
The Disneyland Resort has an ongoing commitment to develop and implement environmentally responsible practices to reduce our impact through energy and water conservation, waste minimization and inspiring others to act with the environment in mind.

Single-use plastic straws and plastic stirrers have been eliminated as part of The Walt Disney Company’s commitment to eliminate these items at locations around the globe. In addition, the Disneyland Resort is reducing in-room plastics by 80 percent, reducing plastic shopping bags and eliminating polystyrene cups.

Disneyland Resort consumes less water today than a decade ago despite significant growth and expansion. In addition, the resort incorporates water-savvy gardening and uses an on-site weather system to adjust irrigation based on changing weather conditions.

Compressed natural gas (CNG) is used to fuel the parking lot guest trams, Sailing Ship Columbia, rafts to Tom Sawyer Island, Jungle Cruise boats and Main Street, U.S.A. vehicles. In the last 10 years, Disneyland Resort has doubled the amount of waste diverted from landfills, including 16 million pounds of food scraps processed into animal feed, and the donation and repurposing of gently used shoes, costumes, furniture and decorations.

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ECONOMIC IMPACT

For more than 60 years, the Disneyland Resort has been an economic engine for Southern California. An independent study concluded that the Disneyland Resort generates $5.7 billion annually for the Southern California economy. The study also showed that each year the resort generates more than $370 million in taxes – including hotel, sales, property and income taxes – for surrounding cities, counties and the state. In addition to its own 32,000-member cast, the resort supports more than 30,000 jobs in Southern California. Between 2005 and 2015, Disneyland Resort grew its workforce by approximately 65 percent. More than 1,600 new operations jobs and 6,700 temporary construction and artisan jobs were created for Star Wars: Galaxy’s Edge.

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DISNEYLAND RESORT PARKS

DISNEYLAND PARK
Opened: July 17, 1955

Counted among the greatest entertainment achievements of the 20th century, Disneyland park introduced a new concept in family entertainment and launched today's theme park industry. The park is composed of nine themed areas: Main Street, U.S.A., Adventureland, New Orleans Square, Critter Country, Frontierland, Fantasyland, Mickey's Toontown, Tomorrowland and Star Wars: Galaxy's Edge.

**ATTRACTION HIGHLIGHTS:**

DISNEY CALIFORNIA ADVENTURE PARK
Opened: February 8, 2001

Disney California Adventure park takes guests on a journey to discover California fun as only Disney can. The seven themed areas are: Buena Vista Street, Hollywood Land, Paradise Gardens Park, Cars Land, Pacific Wharf, Grizzly Peak and Pixar Pier.

**ATTRACTION HIGHLIGHTS:**

DISNEYLAND RESORT HOTELS

**HOTELS:** Three

**TOTAL NUMBER OF HOTEL ROOMS:** Approximately 2,400 Disneyland Resort hotel rooms and 50 two-bedroom equivalent Disney Vacation Club villas

**CONVENTION FACILITIES:** Approximately 200,000 square feet of convention and meeting space throughout Disneyland Resort hotels

DISNEY’S GRAND CALIFORNIAN HOTEL & SPA

This newly refurbished 948-room and 50 two-bedroom equivalent villa flagship hotel of the Disneyland Resort is a AAA Four-Diamond, award-winning luxury property inspired by the turn-of-the-century California Craftsman movement. The property is home to the first Disney Vacation Club units on the West Coast, and with theme park admission, all guests enjoy a special entrance to nearby Disney California Adventure park. It offers suites, a large convention facility, and two restaurants: Storytellers Café and the award-winning Napa Rose. With more than 30 certified sommeliers, including several advanced sommeliers, Napa Rose boasts a 17,000-bottle cellar with more than 1,000 different labels and 80 wines available by the glass.

DISNEYLAND HOTEL

This 973-room landmark hotel features re-imagined guest rooms, Tangaroa Terrace and Trader Sam’s Enchanted Tiki Bar, and a courtyard featuring monorail-inspired water slides. Goofy’s Kitchen and the award-winning Steakhouse 55 are among the distinctive restaurants. The AAA Four-Diamond hotel also features one of the largest contiguous convention spaces in the Western U.S., at 136,000 square feet.

DISNEY’S PARADISE PIER HOTEL

Inspired by California beach culture, this family-friendly 481-room hotel features casual dining, shops, recreation areas and meeting space. The pool deck includes cabanas and a water slide. The hotel overlooks Disney California Adventure park.

DOWNTOWN DISNEY DISTRICT

Bridging the two theme parks and three hotels is the Downtown Disney District, a 20-acre entertainment, dining and shopping district featuring more than 300,000 sq. ft. of retail space. Anchored by the World of Disney store, the Downtown Disney District has recently welcomed Asian Street Eats, Sugarboo & Co., Ballast Point Brewing Company, Salt & Straw scoop shop, Black Tap Craft Burgers & Shakes, Rinse Bath & Body Co., Splitsville Luxury Lanes, Star Wars: Secrets of the Empire, by ILMxLAB and The VOID, and the redesigned Wetzel’s Pretzels, Naples Ristorante Pizzeria and Napolini.
FACTS & FIRSTS

- With 32,000 cast members, the Disneyland Resort is the largest single-site employer in Orange County.
- Disneyland Resort cast members speak approximately 32 different languages.
- Since 1955, the Disneyland Resort has welcomed over 800 million guests.
- The Disneyland Railroad steam trains and Mark Twain Riverboat are powered by biodiesel made from recycled cooking oil – used to make French fries and other foods – at the Disneyland Resort, saving approximately 200,000 gallons of petroleum diesel each year.

- With more than 160 food and beverage locations, the Disneyland Resort offers more than 15,000 recipes. Many chefs are graduates of prestigious culinary schools.
- All parade floats are electrically powered, and our cast use hundreds of electric back-of-house vehicles.
- Disneyland park created the first daily operating monorail in the Western Hemisphere.
- 800 species of plants that are native to more than 40 different countries from around the world are grown at the Disneyland Resort.