

# Special Orlando Travel Section



Running through  
Orlando theme parks

Catching up  
with my family

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From world-famous theme parks and outdoor adventures to exquisite dining and shopping, there are thousands of ways Orlando will make you smile. Find yours inside, along with big savings on the perfect vacation.

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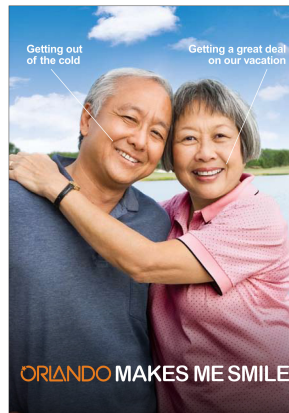
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## Ditch the Cold with an Orlando Vacation

Warm up with those who mean the most.

It's time to escape the frigid conditions and journey to a world-class destination where the weather is warm year-round. Create your own adventure at a choice of more than 90 attractions—from action-packed theme parks, eclectic art galleries and museums, to tropical beaches, lush gardens and wildlife. Orlando is the perfect place for a family vacation. It's a place to reconnect and to create timeless memories. A place to experience adventure, please the palate, entertain the entire family and even a place to relax in the Florida sun. And with the currency exchange and great deals for Canadians, you can save big on your Orlando vacation.

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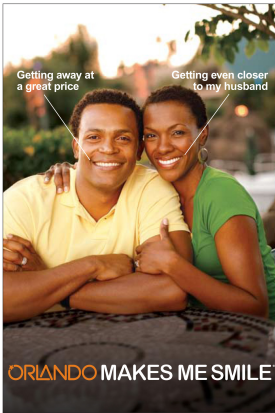


## Fun in the Sun

Enjoy Orlando's tropical weather.

Take advantage of the warm climate with a dip in the pool or a splash on a water slide at the many resorts and water parks in the Central Florida area. For those who prefer pristine beaches, Daytona and Cocoa Beach are just a short drive away. Relax on the white sands and catch some rays, or grab a board and catch some waves. Sports enthusiasts can also visit 176 golf courses and 23 golf academies, in addition to an abundance of recreational sites. Explore new heights skydiving, soar along a zipline, take an area helicopter tour or cruise the waterways on an airboat. Orlando's more than 2,000 lakes, rivers and springs are perfect for fishing, canoeing or kayaking. And when it's time to wind down, you can relax and rejuvenate at one of Orlando's world-class spas.

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Getting away at a great price

Getting even closer to my husband

## Indulge in Cuisine and Nightlife

Orlando's dining is a favorite attraction in itself.

From family-style casual dining to gourmet fare and award-winning restaurants owned by celebrity chefs, Orlando hosts diverse culinary options that are sure to please any palate. After indulging your taste buds, exciting nightlife awaits. Watch performances by Orlando's own highly acclaimed Ballet and Philharmonic Orchestra, or see traveling Broadway shows that make regular stops in Orlando from September to May. Universal CityWalk® Orlando and Downtown Disney® are home to themed restaurants and nightclubs while chic lounges, laid-back pubs and hip venues are located in Orlando's bustling downtown district.

To find out more about Orlando's savory dining and bustling nightlife, request a FREE Vacation Planning Kit at [VisitOrlando.com/Canada](http://VisitOrlando.com/Canada).

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## Treat Yourself to Retail Therapy

In an Orlando shopping paradise.

Whether shopping for affordable deals, one-of-a-kind trinkets or the latest in luxury, Orlando has a store to suit everyone. Nearly 1,500 stores provide shoppers with a variety of choices. And with an array of options located within an 11-mile radius, it's easy to shop at all the best locations. These shopping venues include Florida Mall, the area's largest, and The Mall at Millenia, Orlando's newest. Enjoy outdoor shopping at Pointe Orlando and area outlet malls. Prime Outlets – Orlando and Orlando Premium Outlets® provide ample deals on designer brands while the stylish boutiques of downtown Orlando and Park Avenue, in Winter Park, offer exclusive items and fashion-forward attire.

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Spending an entire day shopping

Finding just the right gift for mom

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# Discover New Worlds

Home to over 90 attractions, several world-famous theme parks and outdoor recreational spots, Orlando is the chosen destination for more than 48 million visitors each year. And with so much to choose from, no matter where you stay in Orlando, you'll find plenty of entertainment options right around the corner. Orlando is sure to thrill the entire family, from young children and teens to adults—even those adults who want to feel like children again.

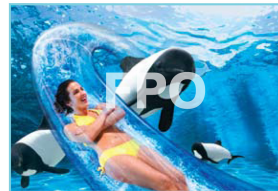
## Walt Disney World® Resort

Explore enchanted lands in the Magic Kingdom®, movie sets at Disney's Hollywood Studios®, wildlife at Disney's Animal Kingdom® and world cultures at Epcot®. There's even the chance to be a star at The American Idol Experience, where visitors audition and perform on stage while fellow guests cheer them on and vote for their favorite contestant.



## Worlds of Discovery

Dive into the depths of the seven seas and observe marine life at SeaWorld® Orlando, Aquatica™ and Discovery Cove®. Take a ride on Manta, a new large-scale flying coaster whose seats rotate horizontally, putting riders in a face-down, soaring position.



## Universal Orlando® Resort

Action and adventure are endless at Universal Orlando® Resort. See fictional characters come to life at Universal's Islands of Adventure®, get behind the scenes of popular movies at Universal Studios Florida® and experience thrilling rides like the Hollywood Rip Ride Rockit™, a high-tech, multi-sensory coaster that lets you choose your own soundtrack.



## Additional Area Attractions

Fun-filled adventures are waiting to be discovered around every corner. Coast down water slides at Wet'n Wild®, design your own roller coaster at WonderWorks, dig for fossils at Dinosaur World or explore Florida wildlife at Gatorland®, the Alligator Capital of the World. Just a short drive away, Busch Gardens® Tampa Bay hosts a world-class zoo, Broadway-style shows and record-breaking roller coasters. No matter what your passion is, you'll find excitement in Orlando!

## Find Your Home Away from Home

Orlando offers more accommodation choices than any other destination. Select from nearly 450 hotels and resorts, from affordable properties and all-suite family resorts to luxurious retreats, and themed and boutique hotels. For unique and extended stays, more than 26,000 Orlando-area vacation homes and condo rentals boast private pools and hotel-like amenities.



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## A vacation that makes you smile

Amidst the swaying palm trees of sunny Florida and just a short drive from the pristine beaches, you'll find the city of Orlando—the world's most popular family destination. Here, you can tour theme parks or shop the outlets, get close to nature or relax in a spa. Orlando's endless excitement brings people together and strengthens relationships. With a convenient central location, Orlando offers so much to do, both in the city itself and throughout nearby areas. Whatever you choose to do, you end up connecting with loved ones and creating unique, lasting memories.

### **Explore thrilling rides and world-famous attractions**

With nearly 50 million visitors each year, Orlando is the most popular tourist destination in the United States, and this is partially due to Orlando being home to seven world-famous theme parks. Walt Disney World Resort is made up of four magical theme parks where you'll find everything from rides, parades and live performances to animal exhibits and multicultural cuisine. At Universal Orlando Resort, you can choose from two thrilling parks that will take you inside your favorite movies and TV shows, and into a world of adventure complete with roller coasters, fun, food and games. And for visitors who prefer an animal-centric adventure, SeaWorld Parks and Entertainment offers aquatic exhibits, thrilling rides and shows that are fun for visitors of all ages.

In addition to the legendary theme parks, Orlando is home to more than 100 attractions that are a unique mix of spectacular water parks, world-class entertainment, blockbuster rides and more. With so much to do, it would take about 67 days to visit all of the attractions in Orlando. Even if your vacation doesn't last for 67 days, you'll be sure to find something for everyone. This includes a host of attractions that are new in 2011—the exciting zipline adventure at Gatorland, a re-vamped Star Tours 3-D at Disney's Hollywood Studios, the Shamu's One Ocean show at SeaWorld Parks and Entertainment and the opening of the world's largest LEGOLAND this October.

### **Take advantage of the Florida sun**

Home to the NBA's Orlando Magic basketball team and their new multimillion-dollar arena, the Amway Center, Orlando offers visitors the chance to get near the action. If you prefer golf, rest assured; Orlando hosts more professional golf tournaments than any other destination. You might even run into a famous golfer, since many of them call Orlando home. If you'd rather opt for baseball, you can catch an Atlanta Braves or Houston Astros spring training game.

Visitors who want to go beyond spectator sports will find plenty of golf courses, sports complexes and nature trails scattered throughout Orlando. With mild temperatures and sunny blue skies year round, Orlando's outdoor activities are plentiful. Swim, boat, fish, kayak or waterski in one of the more than 2,000 area lakes, rivers and springs. Hike, bike and go horseback riding along the backdrop of acres of lush foliage. Or get your adrenaline pumping by ziplining, hang gliding, skydiving or off-road driving. You can even explore Orlando from a bird's eye view by taking a helicopter ride or hot air balloon tour. There's an outdoor activity for adventure enthusiasts at all levels.

### **Have fun beyond the theme parks**

Orlando is a shopper's paradise, offering name-brand clothing, shoes and accessories, designer stores, unique trinkets and everything in between. You'll find 12 malls and outlet centers complemented by numerous boutiques—all within 24 kilometers.

With your shopping bags in tow, you can venture to Orlando's Cultural Corridor, where you can stroll through the Orange County Regional History Center or the Charles Hosmer Morse Museum of American Art. Stretching approximately 16 kilometers, the corridor spans from downtown Orlando

to Winter Park, Central Florida's oldest community, featuring a variety of museums, art galleries and theatres.

### **Spice up the night**

The dining and nightlife you'll find in Orlando are as culturally diverse as the area's visitors. Restaurant options range from African to Vietnamese and include eateries owned by popular American celebrity chefs, intimate cafes and wine bars, dinner shows and dining experiences in uniquely themed environments. Dine in a theme park, near your hotel, at an entertainment complex, near the downtown district or at a stand-alone restaurant. Wherever you go, you'll find a unique selection of cuisine for every taste.

Evening entertainment includes exciting shows like Cirque du Soleil and the Blue Man Group, and concerts at Hard Rock Live and House of Blues. You'll find themed nightclubs, comedy clubs, bars, street performers and bold entertainment at Universal CityWalk, Downtown Disney, Pointe Orlando and Church Street, as well as throughout other bustling areas of the city.

### **Make yourself at home**

Orlando has an amazing selection of places for you to stay, and there's a perfect home-away-from-home for everyone. Choose from luxurious resorts, all-suite hotels, budget-priced hotels, themed resorts, upscale condo-hotels, vacation rental homes and even campgrounds. Whether you desire a relaxing spa, pools with water slides or kid-friendly amenities, Orlando lodging offers it all. Some spas even offer services for children, so your entire family can relax together.

### **Plan your family getaway**

From unmatched thrill rides to eco-tour boat rides, challenging golf courses to rejuvenating spas, celebrity chef dining to designer stores and exciting shows, Orlando's activities are as plentiful as they are wide-ranging. And it all starts with a smile. So get pampered, get thrilled and get happy. Just make sure you get together.