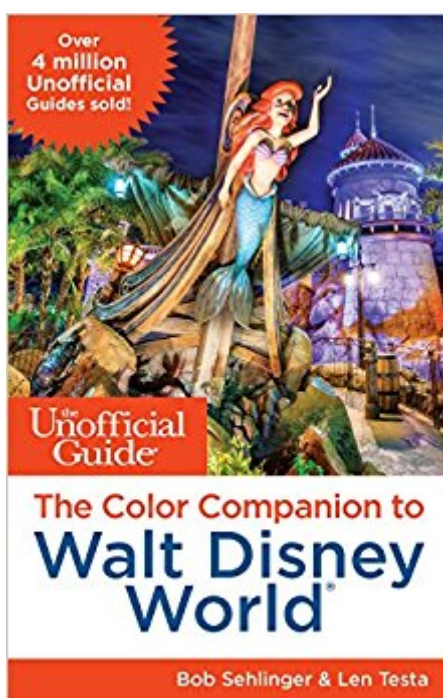


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# The Unofficial Guide: The Color Companion To Walt Disney World (Unofficial Guide To Walt Disney World Color Companion)



## Synopsis

Following in the best-selling tradition of The Unofficial Guides series, The Unofficial Guide: The Color Companion to Walt Disney World gives readers the inside track on visiting Disney World and making the most of their time in the park. Complete with hundreds of full-color photographs, this essential visual guide is a must-have for any Disney World vacation. With hundreds of pages of highly detailed information on planning, staying, and surviving a visit to Walt Disney World, The Color Companion by Bob Sehlinger and Len Testa takes the Unofficial approach while also showing readers exactly where they'll be staying and what they'll be doing, all in a trim little book that's perfect for tucking into a backpack.

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"If you're looking for a reliable guidebook, the leader is the Unofficial series."#151;The Mail (London)"A Tourist's Best Friend!"#151;Chicago Sun-Times"Indispensable"#151;The New York Times

What is The Color Companion? How is it different from The Unofficial Guide to Walt Disney World?1. It Really Is a Companion While there's some information that's better communicated in prose, other information is best presented photographically. For example, photos of rooms or the pool at a Disney hotel are better than verbal descriptions. Our 900-plus-page Unofficial Guide to Walt Disney World is the most comprehensive guidebook in print to

Disney's Orlando empire. However, when it comes to visualizing something, there's just no substitute for a good photo. So, to cover all the bases, we offer this companion guide. There's more than enough information here to plan your entire Disney vacation, but if you want to dig deeper, using the Color Companion in conjunction with The Unofficial Guide to Walt Disney World gives you the whole enchilada.<sup>2</sup> This Guide Has a Sense of Humor There is a plentiful assortment of dry, plodding travel guides for readers who would prefer to know how many rivets there are in a flying elephant than to have a good chuckle. As for us, we're all about providing excellent information and having some fun. No useful information was sacrificed to make room for humor in the Companion. We nailed down the essential content first and then added artistic and humorous elements to make the Companion a zippier and more enjoyable read. So, if you can tolerate a little irreverence, parody, and general wackiness, the Color Companion will serve you well.<sup>3</sup> Sometimes We'll Pull Your Leg We might describe a fantasy resort that's 100 feet underground with rock-chiseled furniture and an occasional mole in the guestrooms, or an octopus sandwich with tentacles everywhere and malevolent eyes peeking from between the buns. We're pretty good at this, and sometimes we might fool you for a minute, but to make sure you don't call Disney reservations and attempt to book a room, or try to order the octopus sandwich at the theme park, we've included this little icon to signal that we've taken a brief break from reality.<sup>4</sup> It's in the Genes The humor in this guide is totally consistent with the humor in The Unofficial Guide to Walt Disney World. In fact, most of the humorous elements in Color Companion originally appeared in the Big Book, though not in photographic form.

In my opinion, one can never be too prepared for Disney World. I've spent a cumulative amount of time there measured in many months (less than many, more than most), and over the span of numerous vacations, I've always found \*something\* I didn't know before. Given the expense of pretty much literally everything at WDW, spending some money on books to help you navigate there and find the bargains... and bad deals... is a good idea. Spending money specifically on this and the companion Unofficial WDW Guide is a great idea. I bought the Kindle versions of each, among other reasons because they will auto-update monthly for at least the year, maybe more. There are definite pluses to paper books - you can flip through more easily, visually bookmark areas, etc. - but I prefer the Kindle versions simply because they take up zero additional space and zero additional weight... and they can be updated. For \$20, you can have both Unofficial Guides. This one is more visually-oriented, although there's still a lot of explanative text. The Unofficial

Guide linked above is a bit more in-depth and has fewer photos. I think they make a very nice set when combined. Also, with your purchase, you get a discount at their site (mentioned in the books), which means for a total of about \$30, you can get these two eBooks and a year of planning assistance, all for the price of one stop at a WDW snack stand. Excellent bargain. Note: these work best on at least the 7" Kindles (or equivalent). I've viewed the books on the Fire Phone, which works but is not the best medium, especially for the photos. I've also viewed it on an iPad, a Nexus 6, and other devices of various sizes. You can get utility out of them on devices as small as a Fire Phone/iPhone/etc., but the larger the screen, then better it will be, again, mainly because of the photos and certain other things like menus. Please let me know if this review helped, and please feel free to comment with any questions you might have. I highly recommend this and others by this author.

My wife and I have gone to Walt Disney World 24 times. We live in Chicago and always drive down. Since the World keeps changing and improving with some new rides and attractions and others going away, it is always good to get the most timely book to help you plan and enjoy your trip. While there are rides and attractions we consider a must do every time we go, we also enjoy learning what is new and seeing if we want to check it out. This is a must read for anyone going to WDW for the first time or as in our case the up coming 25th trip.

My Disney-obsessed 11 year-old daughter absolutely loves this book! We got it for her for her birthday since we have a trip to the Magic Kingdom planned, and she shares bits of trivia about the various parks we us almost daily. The book is full of great pictures and kid-friendly information. By the time we get to Disney World, our daughter will be able to lead us all around like a little tour guide!

Grandkids loved the color photos. Very helpful.

Excellent companion to the "Big Book" Unofficial Guide, but it's good all by itself and is much easier to transport if you wanted to take it on vacation with you. The pictures are great and the humor remains. Makes good "easy reading" after a hard day at work, but is productive as you are making plans for your WDW vacation.

LOVE Disney. We go at least once every single year without fail. This book series has never let us

down. Tell you what rides to avoid at which times. When to get to or leave the park. Very insightful.

I've been reading these unofficial guides for over a decade. They continue to give great advice delivered in a very humorous way. I have recommended them to many people. A great resource for any Disney travelers.

Great info and love the pics.

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