



MAIN & *Magic* PODCAST

EPISODE 34 - WALT DISNEY WORLD INITIAL
TRIP PLANNING WORKSHEET

Use this worksheet to narrow down some travel dates. Present it to your travel advisor so they can help you find the best package for your vacation goals. [Pictures and Postcards Travel](#) is the preferred Travel Advisor of the Main and Magic Podcast. You can email Katie directly at kfisher@nyaaa.com.

To choose the best time for YOUR trip, consider these factors:

Who are you traveling with? (family, extended family, friends, solo, honeymoon, etc.)

If you'll have kids with you, when are their school breaks? Or will you be taking them out of school?

What is your budget for the entire trip, including airfare, hotel, park tickets, food and souvenirs? (Keep in mind that costs vary through the year. You could spend more or less for the same vacation depending on your available travel dates.)

What is the purpose of your trip? (Birthday, anniversary, just because?) Do you have specific things you want to see or experience? (Remember, Walt Disney World is the size of a large city. You won't be able to "do it all" in one trip. Set priorities so you can have a successful trip.)

How long do you want to go for?

What type of weather will be most enjoyable for you?

Will any of the following affect your travel dates? Availability of park reservations, rooms, and dining reservations will vary with crowd levels. Keep this in mind as you choose your dates so you can be prepared.

- Holidays (4th of July, Thanksgiving, New Years Eve, Memorial Day, etc.)
- Special events like marathon weekends
- Convention season
- Competitions (schedules available at www.espnwwos.com)
- Epcot Festivals
- Park Closures (Typhoon Lagoon, Blizzard Beach)
- Ride/Attraction Closures

Walt Disney World Month by Month

Dates may vary.

Walt Disney World Marathon Weekend	January (usually 1st weekend)
Epcot International Festival of the Arts	Mid January - Late February
Walt Disney World Disney Princess Half Marathon	February (usually last weekend)
Epcot International Flower and Garden Festival	Early March - Early July
RunDisney Springtime Surprise Weekend	Late March or Early April
Epcot International Food and Wine Festival	Late July - Mid November
Magic Kingdom Halloween Parties/Events	Mid August - Oct. 31
Wine and Dine Half Marathon	November (usually 1st weekend)
Epcot International Festival of the Holidays	Mid November - Early January
Magic Kingdom Christmas Parties/Events	Mid November - Late December