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DISNEY'S FASTPASS & UNIVERSAL'S EXPRESS PLUS



Disney's Fastpass.

Disney World's Fastpass system is tagged "Get a time, why wait in line?" And that is exactly what it is. Fastpass has been in existence at the Disney theme parks since 1999 and is a system to reduce wait times at the parks major attractions.

How does Fastpass work?

Attractions that operate the Fastpass system have a series of Fastpass machines outside the entrance of the ride (note not all do: see the attraction list at the bottom of the page). When you insert your park ticket in the machine, a Fastpass ticket will be issued to you. The ticket will have the return time printed on it. This indicates when you should return to the ride.

How much does Fastpass Cost?

Fastpass is free.

If I have a Fastpass ticket, will I still have to wait in line?

The short answer to this is yes. For each attraction operating the Disney's Fastpass system there'll be two lines, one for normal attraction visitors and one for Fastpass ticket holders. The Fastpass line gets priority for entrance to the attractions, so the wait should be no more than 10-15 minutes, but perhaps longer during peak times such as school holidays..

Can I have more than one Fastpass ticket?

The Fastpass system limits the amount of tickets that you can have at any one time. Each ticket has the time you can get your next Fastpass ticket and is shown with the phrase "Another Fastpass ticket will be available after ...".

Which Disney attractions have Fastpass?

Disney's Animal Kingdom Theme Park:

Primeval Whirl
Kilimanjaro Safaris
DINOSAUR
Kali River Rapids
Expedition Everest

Disney's Hollywood Studios Theme Park:

Rock 'n' Roller Coaster Starring Aerosmith
Toy Story Mania!
Star Tours – The Adventures Continue
The Twilight Zone Tower of Terror

Magic Kingdom Theme Park:

Space Mountain
Splash Mountain
Big Thunder Mountain Railroad
Buzz Lightyear's Space Ranger Spin
Jungle Cruise
The Many Adventures of Winnie the Pooh
Peter Pan's Flight

Epcot Theme Park:

Mission: SPACE Pavilion
Test Track
Captain EO starring Michael Jackson
Maelstrom
Soarin'

Universal's Express Plus Pass.

Universal's Express Plus Pass is similar to Disney's Fastpass, with two notable exceptions.

Express Plus Pass is not free.

Depending on the time of year and day you visit a Universal theme park, the Express Plus Pass costs between \$25.99 and \$69.99 per day. So, for a family of four, this can be an extra \$280 a day on top of the entrance fee. However, for Universal Resort guests, front of the line access is included with your resort stay. The Portofino Bay Hotel, Hard Rock Hotel, and Royal Pacific Hotel offer a free Express Plus Pass when you stay there. ([Full pricing details.](#))

Purchased passes have limited use.

Purchased passes can only be used once per attraction.

Universal Resort guests have unlimited ride access, although certain restrictions may apply during peak times such as school holidays.

Choose your ride time.

Express Plus Pass allows you to choose your own time to ride an attraction.

Which Universal attractions have Express Plus Pass?

Universal Studios Florida:

Universal Horror Make-Up Show
Terminator 2: 3-D
Animal Actors on Location
A Day In The Park with Barney
Woody Woodpecker's Nuthouse Coaster
E.T. Adventure
Men In Black: Alien Attack
Beetlejuice's Graveyard Revue
Jaws
Twister...Ride It Out
Revenge of the Mummy
Shrek 4-D
Factor Live
Disaster! A Major Motion Picture Ride
The Simpsons Ride

Universal's Islands of Adventure:

The Cat In The Hat
One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish
Caro-Seuss-el
Poseidon's Fury
The Eighth Voyage of Sindbad
Dragon Challenge
Jurassic Park River Adventure
Dudley Do-Right's Ripsaw Falls
Popeye & Bluto's Bilge-Rat Barges
The Amazing Adventures of Spider-Man
Doctor Doom's Fearfall
Storm Force Accelatron
Incredible Hulk Coaster
Flight of the Hippogriff

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