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DISCOUNTS AT DISNEY HOTELS

Free park shuttles, plus coupons for attractions, restaurants, **T2**

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> FARE DEALS

Downtown Disney Hotels offer discounts



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The seven properties known as the Downtown Disney Resort Area Hotels in Lake Buena Vista, Fla., are offering discounted Escape-to-the-Sunshine rates from Mar. 1 to Apr. 30, with a lead-in rate of \$79 (all prices U.S.) per room, per night at the Buena Vista Palace Hotel & Spa.

Rates at the other six properties, B Resort, Best Western Lake Buena Vista Resort Hotel, DoubleTree Suites by Hilton, Hilton Orlando Lake Buena Vista, Holiday Inn Lake Buena Vista Downtown and the Wyndham Lake Buena Vista Resort, range from \$99 to \$145 per room, per night.

All come with perks such as free shuttle transportation to the Walt Disney World parks as well as a 2014 Downtown Disney Deals booklet with coupons for Downtown Disney restaurants, shops and attractions, including House of Blues and La Nouba by Cirque du Soleil.

Downtown Disney hotel guests also get advance tee times and discounts at Walt Disney World golf courses, and theme park tickets are available for purchase on-site.

Blackout dates may apply with Escape-to-the-Sunshine rates. See downtowndisneyhotels.com/sunshine.

Snowmobiling at Deerhurst

Deerhurst Resort in Muskoka now offers guided snowmobile excursions with Yamaha Snowmobile Adventures, and guests can save 20 per cent off their room rates when the excursions are booked in advance.

A minimum stay may apply and the deal is based on availability.

The 90-minute tours start at \$129 per person and run Tuesdays, Thursdays and weekends at 9 a.m. and 1 p.m., and, for the kids, mini-sleds are available for ages 6 to 9. Outerwear is provided.

Guests who bring their own snow-

mobile can book trail passes in advance and the same 20-per-cent room discount applies.

Other winter activities at Deerhurst include snowshoeing, skating, dogsledding and sleigh rides.

See deerhurstresort.com/snowmobiling.

NCL's Spectacular Bonus Days

Norwegian Cruise Line's Spectacular Bonus Days promotion runs through Feb. 12.

It features free upgrades to balcony staterooms, and also includes reduced deposits and on-board credits.

The sale applies to NCL's three newest (and biggest) ships, the Norwegian Epic sailing the western Caribbean, the Norwegian Breakaway sailing the Bahamas and Florida and the Norwegian Getaway sailing the eastern Caribbean.

See ncl.com.

Best buy of the week

Eurail's new Early Bird deal comes with two to five free travel days on Eurail Global Passes purchased by Mar. 31. Passes come in 15-day, 21-day and 30-day durations. See eurail.com.

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> PICKS OF THE WEEK

Sunquest: Five-night Las Vegas, air & hotel, \$617 (Feb. 23). sunquest.ca

Air Canada Vacations: Three-night Phoenix, air & hotel, \$1,166 (Mar. 2). aircanadavacations.com

Nolitours: Roatan, air & hotel, \$1,278 (Mar. 3). nolitours.com

Signature Vacations: Montego Bay, air & hotel, \$1,530 (Mar. 17). signaturevacations.com

Transat Holidays: Lisbon, air & hotel, \$1,274 (Apr. 6). transatholidays.com

Hola Sun Holidays: Cayo Santa Maria, air & hotel, \$1,378 (Mar. 9). holasunholidays.ca

Bel Air Travel: Maui, air & hotel, \$1,598 (Feb. 26). belairtravel.com

Sunwing Vacations: Riviera Nayarit, air & hotel, \$1,237 (Mar. 28). sunwing.ca

Sell Off Vacations: Aruba, air & hotel, \$1,530 (Mar. 17). selloffvacations.com

itravel2000: Samana, air & hotel, \$1,426 (Mar. 2). itravel2000.com

WestJet Vacations: St. Lucia, air & hotel, \$1,810 (Mar. 25). westjetvacations.com

Tour East Holidays: 21-day Vietnam, Cambodia & Laos, hotel, \$3,395 (Apr. 6). **All Picks of the Week prices include taxes and fees.**



Escape-to-the-Sunshine-rates at the Downtown Disney Resort Area Hotels come with free shuttle transportation to the Walt Disney World theme parks.