

Local Recommendations

Groceries/Essentials

Publix: Florida's neighborhood grocery chain | Address: 7800 Lake Wilson Rd, Davenport, FL 33896

Wal-Mart: lowest price and largest variety | Address: 2855 N Old Lake Wilson Rd, Kissimmee, FL 34747

Target: more variety than Publix | Address: 3200 Rolling Oaks Boulevard, Kissimmee, FL 34747

Specialty Stores

Whole Foods: organic supermarket | Address: 8003 Turkey Lake Road, Orlando, FL 32819

Trader Joe's: small specialty grocer, cheaper than Whole Foods | Address: 8323 Sand Lake Road, Orlando, FL 32819

Costco (Members Only): wholesaler | Address: 4696 Gardens Park Boulevard, Orlando, FL 32839

Restaurants

Note: There are few good restaurants by the house, but if you are looking for a nice meal, try these restaurants

First Watch (Brunch) | 8280 Champions Gate Blvd, Davenport, FL 33896

Healthy breakfast/brunch options; opens 7am-2:30pm

Download "NoWait" app and get in line before arrival to avoid long wait

Another location near Universal Studios located at:

7500 W. Sand Lake Road, Suite A101, Orlando, FL 32819

Del Frisco's (Steak/Seafood) | 7500 W. Sand Lake Road, Suite A101, Orlando, FL 32819

The best pure steakhouse in Orlando

Seasons 52 (American) | 7700 Sand Lake Road, Orlando, FL 32819

Fresh American and reasonably priced; entrees range between \$17-35

Recommend getting reservations for the patio

Eddie V's (American) | 7488 Sand Lake Road, Orlando, FL 32819

High end version of Seasons 52; more than \$50 per person

Typically need reservations well in advance

Rocco's Taco's (Mexican): 7468 Sand Lake Road, Orlando, FL 32819

A good Mexican place, a little loud.

The guacamole is very good

Gyu Kaku (Japanese BBQ): 7858 Turkey Lake Rd #100, Orlando, FL 32819

International Japanese BBQ chain with close to 1000 locations worldwide

Columbia Restaurant (Latin): 649 Front St, Celebration, FL 34747

Located in the idyllic town of Celebration, FL; closer to the house
Cuban/Latin restaurant with outdoor seating in Celebration

Fogo de Chão Brazilian (Brazilian): 8282 International Drive, Orlando, FL 32819
All you can eat Brazilian Steakhouse, ~\$50 per person

Victoria & Albert's (French): 7500 W. Sand Lake Road, Suite A101, Orlando, FL 32819
By far the finest cuisine and most expensive restaurant in Orlando; prepare to spend \$200-500 per person
Strict dress code and reservations should be made well in advance if possible

Activities (if you haven't committed a full day to Disney / Seaworld)

Beaches

Siesta Key Beach: Best white sugar sand beach, but also the furthest at 1 hr 50 min with no traffic; parking is difficult during peak times.

Anna Maria Island: small, private beach with no alcohol allowed; 1 hr 40 min with no traffic

St. Pete Beach: nice public beach 1 hr 30 min away with chairs/umbrellas for rent

Clearwater Beach: most developed beach on Gulf coast featuring a lot of shops/restaurants, but not the most beautiful beach; although less than 1 hr 30 min with no traffic, you are almost guaranteed to face some degree of traffic as driving through the heart of downtown Tampa and Clearwater is necessary.

Disney Springs: Formerly Downtown Disney, Disney has doubled this area's size/offerings in the past 3 years:

A large shopping area with restaurants, shops, movie theater, bowling, Cirque d'Soleil, large arcade, and street performers at night

For a quick bite, head to Frontera or Earl of Sandwich

During the day, we like to take a free boat ride from the boat launch near Saratoga Springs to Port Orleans and back

Disney's BoardWalk navigate directly to Disney's Boardwalk Inn

This is like a very small version of Disney Springs which serves as a resort area and back entrance to Epcot; you can park in the lot for Disney's Boardwalk Inn Hotel and walk into Epcot instead of paying for parking and taking the tram

Technically, you need to be staying at one of the hotels on the "Boardwalk" to park in the parking lot, but if they're not busy, you can just tell them you are going to ESPN Zone, which is a restaurant there; if they are busy, they might ask you if you have a reservation, which is a trick question, because there are no reservations at ESPN; if you tell them you want to valet for a restaurant with no reservations, Disney's guards must let you pass

Shopping

Orlando Vineland Premium Outlets (25 min): Vineland Avenue, Orlando, FL

Orlando's best shopping outlets for name brands

Stores include Prada, Zegna, Ferragamo, and Burberry

There's another Premium Outlets on International Drive with more stores, but the brands are not as high end

Mall At Millenia (30 min): Conroy Road, Orlando, FL

Highest end mall in Orlando

Stores include LV, Gucci, Prada, YSL, Versace, Ferragamo, Tiffany, and Cartier

Others:

Airboat Tours

- **Wild Willy's Airboat Tours**
 - Website: <https://wildwillysairboattours.com/>
 - Phone Number: [+1 407-891-7955](tel:+14078917955)
 - Address: 4715 Kissimmee Park Road, Saint Cloud, FL 34772

- **Marsh Landing Adventures**
 - Website: <http://www.orlandoairboattours.com/>
 - Phone Number: [+1 407-572-3561](tel:+14075723561)
 - Address: 4275 Neptune Road, Saint Cloud, FL 34769

Dinner Shows

- **La Nouba - Cirque de Soleil:** show does not include dinner, but located in Disney Springs
 - Website: <https://www.cirquedusoleil.com/fr/la-nouba>
 - Address: Downtown Disney, Walt Disney World Resort, Orlando, FL 32830

- **Medieval Times**
 - Website: <http://www.medievaltimes.com/>
 - Phone Number: [888-WE-JOUST](tel:888-WE-JOUST)
 - Address: 4510 W. Vine Street (US Highway 192), Kissimmee, FL 34746

- **Sleuth's Mystery Dinner Shows**
 - Website: <http://www.sleuths.com/>
 - Phone Number: [407-363-1985](tel:407-363-1985)
 - Address: 8267 International Drive, Orlando, FL 32819