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The WDW Transportation Decoder

Every way to get around the resort, and when to use each.

Disney's transportation is free (except the Minnie Van) and connects every resort to every park. But it's not always direct; some trips need a transfer. It runs from 45 minutes before park opening until up to an hour after close.



BUS

The workhorse. Connects every resort to all four parks, the water parks, and Disney Springs. Your default for most trips.



MONORAIL

Three monorail beams. The Resort Monorail stops at Magic Kingdom, the Contemporary, Grand Floridian and Polynesian. Express monorails run from the Transportation & Ticket Center (TTC) to Magic Kingdom and to EPCOT. Change at the TTC to go between them.



SKYLINER

The aerial gondolas. Connect EPCOT's International Gateway and Hollywood Studios to Caribbean Beach, Riviera, Pop Century, and Art of Animation. Transfer at the Caribbean Beach hub; Riviera is the only pass-through station. Can pause in storms.



BOAT

Water taxis and Friendship Boats. Connect Magic Kingdom to Grand Floridian, Polynesian, Wilderness Lodge, and Fort Wilderness; and EPCOT to Hollywood Studios via the BoardWalk-area resorts. The ferry crosses from the TTC to Magic Kingdom.



MINNIE VAN / RIDESHARE (paid)

Disney's premium point-to-point service through the Lyft app, plus regular Uber and Lyft. The fast option when you don't want to wait or transfer, and the only paid choice here.

RESORT PERK

Staying on a monorail loop (Grand Floridian, Polynesian, Contemporary) or a Skyliner resort (Caribbean Beach, Riviera, Pop Century, Art of Animation) gives you the fastest, most scenic park access. It's a real reason to weigh when picking a hotel.

SMART MOVES



Not every trip is direct. Resort-to-resort often routes through a park or Disney Springs, so allow extra time.



Leaving at rope drop or after fireworks? Add buffer. Every mode is busiest at open and close.



Skyliner and boats can pause in storms; buses keep running.

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