WDW Character Dining
THE TOP 5

If you only book one (or five), start here. Ranked on food, characters, and setting.

Characters may vary. Reservations required: book 60 days out at 6 AM ET.

1 TOPOLINO'S TERRACE

Breakfast à la Art with Mickey & Friends, Disney's Riviera Resort

Characters: Mickey, Minnie, Donald, Daisy (in artist attire)

Meals: Breakfast · à la carte (not a buffet)

Why it's #1:
The near-unanimous critics' pick for best overall. The complete package: genuinely excellent food, a rooftop setting, and relaxed character interactions without buffet chaos. No park ticket needed.

The catch:
The hardest character reservation to land. Book it the instant your window opens.

2 CINDERELLA'S ROYAL TABLE

Fairytale Dining, Magic Kingdom

Characters: Cinderella (greets in the Grand Hall before seating), plus a rotation of Ariel, Belle, Aurora, Jasmine, Snow White

Meals: Breakfast · Lunch · Dinner

Why it's here:
The icon. You're dining inside Cinderella Castle, a true "core memory" meal, especially for princess-loving kids. Nothing else replicates it.

The catch:
Priciest character meal (2 dining-plan credits), and reviews call the food "good, not amazing." You're paying for the setting, and it's worth it once.

3 TUSKER HOUSE

Donald's Dining Safari, Animal Kingdom

Characters: Donald, Mickey, Goofy (in safari gear)

Meals: Breakfast · Lunch · Dinner

Why it's here:
The rare meal that nails both food and characters. The African-inspired buffet is the most interesting spread of any character meal, and it fits naturally into an Animal Kingdom day. The best in-park pick.

4 CHEF MICKEY'S

Character Buffet, Disney's Contemporary Resort

Characters: The Fab Five: Mickey, Minnie, Pluto, Goofy, Donald (dressed as chefs)

Meals: Breakfast · Dinner

Why it's here:
The quintessential Disney character experience: loud, joyful, and the only easy place to get all five classics in one meal. The monorail runs through the building. A perfect night-before-your-trip tradition. No park ticket needed.

The honest note:
It's about the energy, not the cuisine. The food is fine; the vibe is the point.

5 STORYBOOK DINING AT ARTIST POINT

with Snow White, Disney's Wilderness Lodge

Characters: Snow White, Dopey, Grumpy, plus a photo op with The Evil Queen

Meals: Dinner

Why it's here:
The most unique on the list. Immersive, story-driven theming and a genuinely villainous Evil Queen photo op make it feel like an experience, not just a meal. The standout for something different. No park ticket needed.

Want the full list of all 12 character meals?
Grab our complete Character Dining guide.

STARLIT MAGIC

Every restaurant's menu and verified prices, plus live maps, in the app.

Free to download.
ONE APP. NO SUBSCRIPTION.
Premium: pay once, own it forever.

Download on the App Store