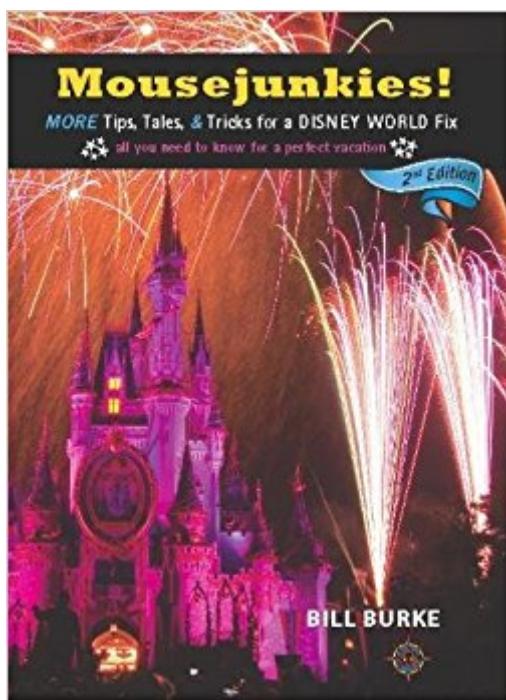


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# **Mousejunkies!: More Tips, Tales, And Tricks For A Disney World Fix: All You Need To Know For A Perfect Vacation (Mousejunkies: Tips, Tales, & Tricks For A Disney World)**



## Synopsis

A guidebook with a decidedly different approach, the second edition of *Mousejunkies* is a collection of humorous travelogues and insider how-to secrets compiled after scores of trips to Walt Disney World. The book draws on the insights of a panel of Disney fanatics — The Mousejunkies — following dozens of personal vacations, trade shows and press trips in recent years. This second edition brings everything up to date with countless new tips, tricks, and tales. *Mousejunkies* provides tips and travel plans told through personal accounts — something that sets it apart from all the other guides. All of the most important topics are covered: When to go, where to stay, what to do and where to eat. But readers will also learn how to indulge in an all-day chicken wing and beer football orgy at Walt Disney World, how to extract your family from *Fantasmic!* with your sanity intact, where to catch a mid-afternoon catnap in the theme park, and even how wrong a Disney cruise can go. *Mousejunkies* is more than one travel writer's experiences at one of the most popular vacation destinations in the world. The Mousejunkies are a group of seemingly well-adjusted adults who have found themselves inexplicably drawn to Walt Disney World, again and again. Each has taken his or her own path, finding their way separately. When the smoke cleared, the group found itself back in reality, staring at one another over a pile of discarded annual passes and a useless collection of novelty hats. The stories — wry, humorous and told with an affection gained through years of Disney addiction — paint vivid portraits of a creatively engineered world, where unexpected surprises create lasting memories. The tips — valuable information designed to help readers get more out of their vacations — are told with a sly wink and the desire to share the secrets that make trips to central Florida more memorable. From touring plans to tongue-in-cheek reviews of the theme parks' restrooms, *Mousejunkies* provides readers with useful information couched in obsessively-detailed narrative with a humorous touch.

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## Customer Reviews

Bill Burke is a veteran newspaper reporter and editor. He is a columnist for Parenting NH Magazine, has spent 11 years at the Boston Herald and its Web site and is currently the assistant features editor for the Boston Herald. He has traveled to Walt Disney World countless times over the years. During his 18-year journalism career, he has covered marathons and murders, and written everything from business features to comic book scripts. He has interviewed musicians and actors and worked as a travel writer. Bill has been traveling to and writing about Walt Disney World for the past ten years. A dyed-in-the-wool New Englander who recently came to the conclusion he hates the cold weather but can't live without good fried clams, Bill spent portions of his childhood living in different parts of the country and traveling throughout the United States. His family then returned to the northeast where he remained until discovering the joy of having his meals served by adults dressed as fictional characters. Now he flees to the warm embrace of central Florida whenever time and finances allow. Or even if they won't. After trying out a number of different career options ranging from installing concrete foundations and digging ditches to working as a bouncer at an oceanfront nightclub and selling sci-fi collectibles, he stumbled across journalism. Bill plays bass guitar in a blues band, Irish music on the tenor banjo and mandolin, and bagpipes when he wants to annoy his wife of thirteen years. He has considered moving to Florida, but has been told that the region lacks good Chinese food. He lives in southern New Hampshire with his wife, Amy, and six-year-old daughter, Katie.

"Hi, I am Wulfstan, and I am a MouseJunkie." (Hi Wulfstan!). To me and my partner, Disney is our "happy place", where we actually go to relax. Of course, since we live in CA, we get to Disneyland way more often than Disneyworld. So, a hints & tips book for the Florida theme-park complex is handy (I could write a book about DisneyLand, I often read guidebooks about that park to see what they got wrong, I have been going there since 1958 or so). This is a fun, (and often personal) hints & tips book to DisneyWorld, including EPCOT, etc. It will NOT replace the Unofficial Guide to Disneyworld, which I consider the gold standard and a must-buy & use. However, being less technical, it can be more fun. Some of the author's descriptions of what he ate are hilarious (and

made my tummy rumble, too). If you need to be talked into a DW trip or just want a fun book with fun tips to read, then this is a great book

Got mine just yesterday and have already read over 100 pages. Told with humour, wit and an obvious love of the wonderful world of the Disney theme parks. It's an exciting time to be a Disney fan and Bill Burke gives some great insight and information about the new FantasyLand expansion that will be completed in 2013. His excitement and enthusiasm is contagious...in a good way. Even if you have the first one there is more than enough new info to justify buying this one as well. Book clocks in at over 400 pages of Disney info... lots of info for a small price.

Totally LOVE this book. Fun, informative, just all around a great read for this Disney "Nut"!

I've read both editions of *Mousejunkies!* Both are fantastic! Bill's writing is as funny as it is informative. He delivers the must-know information as well as delves into subjects even seasoned Disney fans might have never noticed before. More importantly, every page is engaging and hilarious! If you have a Walt Disney World fan in your life, you must buy this book for them. And truthfully, even if you're not a Disney fan (what's wrong with ya anyway???) you will still find yourself laughing out loud at Bill Burke's slightly-askew sense of humor! I can't recommend *Mousejunkies* more highly! Being a man, I don't ask for directions and I don't follow travel books, yet on my most recent trip to WDW I had *Mousejunkies* with me, and made specific stops I have never done before based solely on Bill's word. And I loved every one! A great read and useful whether you're planning your next trip or just dreaming of it. And if you're not even considering a trip to Walt Disney World, *Mousejunkies* will change your mind. Can't wait for Volume 3!

I am a total Disney Nut, so the title captured my attention immediately. The book was a very good read. Part tour book, part personal stories, part personal recommendations. You really get to know the different *Mousejunkies* and want to go to Disney with them. I would love to offer my own stories and experiences for the next version!! It is an easy read and full of good information and tips. I've read a TON of Disney books, and actually learned a few things at the end. (Which is saying a lot since I am a walking Disney Encyclopedia to most of my family and friends.) I'm leaving for Disney in a week and will adjust my plans to try a few of their suggestions. This is a great book for someone who has already been to Disney at least once and for people who have come back from a vacation and want to re-live the Magic at home.

Second book was definitely not a disappointment. This book is for anyone interested in Disney. It's a great resource for those who are new to the world, as well as someone who's been there several times and is addicted. Even the most knowledgeable can learn something from Bill and the other Mousejunkies. And for fellow Mousejunkies it's a chance to see they aren't the only ones who feel how they feel and read some fun and funny stories about other peoples experiences. I would refer anyone even slightly interested in going to Disney(and have)! If you've read the first book, don't be afraid that it's the same book with a new release date, it covers some favorite parts from book 1 but it's mostly new experiences, stories and tips.

I read the reviews on this book and there were a few that were quite negative.I enjoyed reading this book. This author has made me even more excited for our upcoming trip. After reading it I realized that I had scheduled too many table service meals, that I wish I would have thought to go in January and that we are going to have a blast!I also have the Passporter to carry with us and my son has a kids Disney guide. But this was not a guidebook, this was a book to read :)I look forward to the next installment, I will be on the pre-order list.We try to go to the Mouses house every two years. :)I'm glad I am not the only one that loves a Disney vacation.

Love this book! I admittedly love Disney and have been there many times. But I had read the first Mousejunkies and enjoyed it so I picked this one up, hoping for a little more. This new edition had plenty of new information and is a must read if you love Disney (and even more so if you are from the Boston area as there are some references to that). The author is hysterical and I found myself laughing out loud several times. I highly recommend for Disney lovers. For first time visitors though, I am not sure if they will really get it (this has a lot more stories and anecdotes than a traditional guide book), they might need something more such as the Unofficial Guide.

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