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WALT DISNEY WORLD ROPE DROP, DONE RIGHT

THE FIRST HOUR BEATS THE NEXT THREE — HERE'S HOW TO USE IT.

ROPE DROP vs. EARLY ENTRY



Rope drop is the moment a park officially opens to everyone. Getting there for it means walking onto rides before the day's crowd builds — the single most valuable stretch of your whole day.



Early Theme Park Entry is a 30-minute head start before rope drop, for Disney Resort hotel guests (and select others) — every park, every day of the stay. Off-site guests get rope drop; resort guests get both. Confirmed through 2027.

THE ONE PRINCIPLE



The first hour is worth more than any other hour in the park. A ride you walk onto at open can be a **75-minute wait by noon**.

So spend that first hour on the one thing that's hardest to get later — the highest-demand headliner that isn't easy to grab again. Everything else can wait. That's the entire logic of a good morning.

THE MAGIC KINGDOM TRAP MOST PEOPLE DON'T KNOW



During Early Entry at Magic Kingdom, **only Tomorrowland and Fantasyland are open** — Adventureland, Frontierland, and Liberty Square (Pirates, Big Thunder, Haunted Mansion) stay roped off until official open. And **TRON is not an Early Entry ride** even though it's in Tomorrowland — you can join its standby line, but **Seven Dwarfs Mine Train** is the headliner actually open early. Plan your 30 minutes around what's open, not just what's nearby.

★ WHAT'S HARDEST TO GET LATER — BY PARK ★

These are the highest-demand rides, verified against Disney's Lightning Lane listings. What's optimal for your day depends on today's hours, crowds, and what you booked — that's what the app decides live.



MAGIC KINGDOM

Open during Early Entry:
Tomorrowland & Fantasyland only.

- ★ **Seven Dwarfs Mine Train**
open at Early Entry — builds fast all day
- ★ **TRON Lightcycle / Run**
standby only — not Early Entry



DISNEY'S HOLLYWOOD STUDIOS

Two rides drive the
morning rush here.

- ★ **Star Wars: Rise of the Resistance** Single Pass — highest demand
- ★ **Slinky Dog Dash**
builds fast — outdoor coaster



EPCOT

The headliner crowd
sprints one direction at open.

- ★ **Guardians of the Galaxy: Cosmic Rewind** Single Pass — line builds immediately



DISNEY'S ANIMAL KINGDOM

One ride dominates
the morning.

- ★ **Avatar Flight of Passage**
Single Pass — long lines build quickly

★ QUICK TIPS FOR A BETTER MORNING ★



ARRIVE EARLY

Get to the gates at least 45–60 minutes before Early Entry (resort) or rope drop (off-site). Security + tapstiles take time.



HAVE A PLAN

Know your first ride before you arrive. Don't stop to debate with the crowd.



CHECK THE APP

Confirm today's park hours, Early Entry details, and ride availability in the My Disney Experience app.



STICK TOGETHER

Have a meet-up spot in case your group splits up during the first rush.



PACE YOURSELF

Hydrate, take breaks, and save some energy. The evening is just as magical.



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