

Florida Villas - What's it Really Like?

Whenever you haven't done anything, you wonder what its like. Its no different when choosing where to stay for the holiday or vacation of a lifetime in the Disney, Orlando area. So here's a personal view on a few things to consider... There is such a vast choice of everything in the area that its bewildering. Personally, I've been going to the Disney Orlando area for over 15 years and the choice is amazing. I used to stay in hotels and motels but I found that they mostly suffered from the same problems. They were noisy. Whether it was the air conditioning, your neighbours, the maid when you wanted to have a lie in or just the general 'buzz' of the place, there was always noise. And then I had the opportunity to stay in a Florida villa. I remember it well. In a quiet residential street only a few minutes drive from Disney. There was soooo much space - you closed the front door and it wsa truly quiet - just like home. There was no hustle and bustle outside the front door. And then there was the pool! Easily big enough for a family group the pool in my Florida villa was clean and private. I could sit or lie on one of the loungers on the pool deck without having to worry that it was too busy or that someone elses badly-behaved kids would spoil my experience. (Sorry if this sounds negative but most of us have experienced this). It was a very tranquil experience - a safe environment to watch the kids play and relax too! There were 5 bedrooms in our Florida villa - we really only needed 3 but the others were useful as we could dump our shopping in one reasy for packing when we had to leave. I remembered falling over all the luggage and shopping in our one hotel room as our last holiday progressed and that small space gradually filled up! The space in a Florida villa is a real luxury. The luxury of your own room, with plenty of toilets and bathrms rather than stumbling over each other in the night to take a trip down the hall. I had stayed in some nice hotels in the Disney Orlando area. But seeking space and some peace and quiet comes at a price. A suites hotel with a separate bedroom and you're well over \$180 an night. In my villa, I was getting 5 bedrooms and my own private pool for only \$100 a night. I'd always looked at Florida villas as 'luxury' and unaffordable. How wrong I was! I could have saved myself a fortune by choosing a Florida villa for my Disney Orlando vacation - and I would have had a much better time too! I'd never stayed in a hotel that I could wander out onto the pool deck and light up the gas grill to cook dinner! Or just pop back to the kitchen to get a cold drink from the refrigerator. The best the average hotel can do is provide a noisy machine at the end of the corridor that stocks everything but your favorite drink and then wants you to pay an inflated price for the privilege! Give me a Florida villa any time. Space, peace, quiet and privacy allow me and my family to relax and recharge, ready for another hard day in the parks or perhaps and even harder day following my wife around spending what we save by renting a Florida villa!