

Disney California Adventure Parent Survival Sheet

Real-Mom Tips for an Easier Park Day

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1. GET THE APP READY

- Check wait times and Lightning Lanes.
- Mobile order food while waiting in line.
- Screenshot tickets and PhotoPass codes.

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2. PACK THE REAL ESSENTIALS

- Refillable water bottles and easy snacks.
- Sunscreen, portable charger, and poncho.
- Pack light—everything must be carried.

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3. WIN THE MORNING

- Arrive before park opening.
- Rope drop Radiator Springs Racers.
- Tackle major rides before crowds build.

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4. USE FAMILY RIDE TOOLS

- Rider Switch helps families with little ones.
- Single Rider can cut popular waits.
- Save Lightning Lane for major attractions.

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5. PLAN A MIDDAY RESET

- Cool off with indoor attractions.
- Let kids play at Redwood Creek.
- Eat before 11:30 or after 1:30.

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6. SURVIVE THE EVENING

- Return to Cars Land before sunset.
- End with World of Color.
- Shop slowly while exit crowds clear.



REAL MOM TIP: Don't crisscross the park—finish one land at a time.