



“Menehune Mischief” Stirs Up Delight at Aulani, a Disney Resort & Spa

Character Dinner Experience Opens at Resort’s Makahiki Restaurant

KO OLINA, Hawai‘i – Aulani, a Disney Resort & Spa introduces “Menehune Mischief,” a lively dinner show at the resort’s Makahiki restaurant. Menehune Mischief celebrates the story of the Menehune—the magical little people of Hawaiian legend—with the help of Aulani Resort’s beloved Uncle and favorite Disney characters. The delightful tales are brought to life through enchanting music, sing-along fun and engaging storytelling—all while guests enjoy a delicious buffet dinner.

“Dining with characters is a signature experience at Disney Resorts around the world,” said Timothy Gustie, food and beverage director at Aulani, a Disney Resort & Spa. “Our guests have enjoyed starting their day with delicious food and Disney fun during breakfast at Makahiki. We are excited to offer a new twist for dinner at the restaurant with Menehune Mischief.”

The essence of Makahiki – The Bounty of the Islands can be found in the fresh, locally-sourced cuisine. The casual dinner buffet features line-caught sustainable seafood, rotating carving stations, Asian-inspired entrees, pastas, fresh salads and fruits, house-made desserts and a special “Keiki Corner” for youngsters.

In addition to the new dinner offering, Makahiki will continue to serve its daily breakfast buffet with family-friendly breakfast favorites, live entertainment and visits with Disney characters.

Makahiki — The Bounty of the Islands

This restaurant is named for the Makahiki season, the traditional Hawaiian celebration of the harvest. The interior of the restaurant showcases an abundant collection of art, from murals to glass sculptures. In the entry, artists Butch Heleman and James Rumford collaborated to convey the story of the Makahiki. Rumford sketched the designs and wrote texts for Heleman’s wood carvings that illustrate the sights and events of the Makahiki season. Also in the restaurant, native Hawaiian artists Al Lagunero and Solomon Enos collaborated on murals that depict feasting, ceremony and gaming. As the sun sets in the evening, the restaurant lighting gradually transitions from deep rose to hues of indigo—evoking a starry night sky.

Menehune Mischief is offered on Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Dinner reservation times are 4:30 p.m., 4:45 p.m., and 5:00 p.m., with photo opportunities beginning at 4:45 p.m. The Menehune Mischief show begins at 5:15 p.m. The character dinner experience is \$49 for adults and \$24 for keiki (ages 3-9 years old).

For reservations, visit www.disneyaulani.com or call (808) 674-6200 for parties up to 10 guests. For larger groups, call (808) 674-6330. Show experience, menu items and pricing are subject to change.

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About Aulani, a Disney Resort & Spa

Aulani, a Disney Resort & Spa is perfectly positioned on 21 beautiful oceanfront acres of Ko Olina on the

leeward coast of O'ahu. Just 17 miles from Honolulu International Airport and approximately 30 minutes from Waikīkī, Aulani Resort features 351 rooms, including 16 suites, and 481 two-bedroom equivalent villas, including 20 grand villas. Guests are invited to experience its world-class spa, restaurants and lounges, pools, kids' club, and more—all uniquely designed for families to discover the culture, history and traditions of Hawai'i. Aulani was voted the No. 1 family beach resort in the *Travel + Leisure* World's Best Awards in 2016. For more information and reservations, visit www.disneyaulani.com or call (866) 44-DISNEY.