

# Capturing Disney Parks presents **DISNEY ICON SPOTLIGHT**

## Episode 12 | Stéphane from Planet Disneyland | April 09, 2019

In this series of Q&A's, Capturing Disney Parks introduces you to some of the biggest and most iconic Disney Parks fans sharing the magic on their social media, video platform, blog, vlog, podcast, or website. Questions by Niels van Eijkelenburg.

### Q 01 | THE ICON

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Please introduce yourself to our readers.

My name is Stéphane and I live in Belgium. My first visit to a Disney Park dates back to March 1994. It was to Disneyland Paris on a school trip when I was 17 years old. And that's when it all started. I returned on a regular basis until today. I decided to share my passion by creating an Instagram page.



*Pictures provided by Stéphane*

### Q 02 | THE PARKS

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Which Disney Parks have you experienced, and which one do you consider your 'home' Park?

I had a chance to visit Walt Disney World a few years ago. It's my goal to go back soon. I live at 1:30 hour from Disneyland Paris and I can go there by TGV (train). I can say this is my second home. Of course, I dream of being able to visit the other worldwide Disney Parks too.

### Q 03 | THE PLATFORM(S)

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#### Where can we find your Disney fan platforms?

You can find me on Instagram: [@planet\\_disneyland](https://www.instagram.com/planet_disneyland). It's a real pleasure to share my passion with a beautiful community of fans.

### Q 04 | THE FORMAT

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#### Tell us something about the format of your online platform(s), how it all started, which Disney Parks you cover, and why you love to put such a lot of effort in those activities.

Planet Disneyland exists since May 2018. I was basically sharing the Disney love via my personal account, but I couldn't interest lots of people. That's why I decided to create a new Instagram page to share my experience with a community specifically interested in Disney. It's a good way to share the parks with people who can't get there as often as I can.

### Q 05 | THE LOVE

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#### How and when did your love for Disney Parks start?

Ever since I was a kid, I dreamed of going to Walt Disney World. But we were a big family and visiting Florida wasn't financially possible. One day, I was home with my family when I was reading the newspaper. They were announcing the creation of a Disney Park in France. I was like a madman. It was a dream that came true! I then started to visit my first Disney Park soon.

### Q 06 | THE TRIPS

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#### How many times/days a year do you visit Disney Parks (estimate)? And how many days are most of your trips?

I have the chance to visit Disneyland Paris very often. I go there at least once or twice a month for a day by TGV. Sometimes I'm staying for a night but that depends on the circumstances.

### Q 07 | THE FAVORITS

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#### Please name your favorite Disney attractions, parades, or shows.

I'm a big fan of Disney parades and shows. My visits to the park are mainly focusing on these activities. I still have a preference for "Mickey And The Magician" and "Disney Illuminations". In the past, I loved the "Wonderful World Of Disney" parade and the "Lion King" spectacle in Videopolis.



## Q 08 | THE MEMORY

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**What's your most memorable Disney Parks moment? Tell us all about it please!**

I think the most memorable moment will remain my first visit to the park. I waited so long for it! I won't forget the 25th anniversary of Disneyland Paris too with its incredible parade of April 12, 2017 with all the Disney characters combined. It was completely insane. Lately, I had the opportunity to visit the "Sleeping Beauty Suite" at the Disneyland Hotel with its beautiful view over the park. A great moment!

## Q 09 | THE TIP

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**Do you have a tip or advise - about anything Disney Parks related - to share with our readers?**

Plan your visit before you arrive in the park in order to avoid wasting time. However, I personally never have a fixed program. I just let myself go into this magical world and let the magic do its job! ✨

## Q 10 | THE CHOICES

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**Make your choice! You have to choose one...**

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## Q 11 | THE QUESTION

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### Do you have a question for me?

First of all, I'd like to thank you for providing me this spotlight. I'm very honored. But my question is: What's your Disney wish?

Niels: *My ultimate wish is to be able visiting Disney Parks worldwide on a regular basis for the rest of my life. And maybe live close to a Disney park and work for or with Disney one day.*

## THE END

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I would like to thank Stéphane for participating in this Q&A series. Hope you've enjoyed this episode. Until next time and have a magical day!



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