Capturing Disney Parks presents **DISNEY ICON SPOTLIGHT**

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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

Please introduce yourself to our readers.

We are Patricia (mother) and Kelly (daughter), aged 50 and 24. We don't live together because Kelly lives on her own now in Paris and I live in the south of France. But we love to be reunited in Disneyland Paris to meet and enjoy a milkshake at Victoria's Home Style Restaurant (the best milkshakes ever!).



Pictures provided by Kelly and Patricia

Q 02 | THE PARKS

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

We are mainly at Disneyland Paris for our stays 3 or 4 times each semester. So, that's our home park. We love to experience all hotels and restaurants, to be able to give our feedback on our Instagram account.

As we also love America, we had the chance to visit Disney's Animal Kingdom and Epcot a few years ago in Florida during our vacation. Now we're dreaming about visiting other Disney Parks all over the world.

Q 03 | THE PLATFORM(S)

Where can we find your Disney fan platforms?

You can find us on Instagram @motherdaughterhappydisney (<u>https://www.instagram.com/motherdaughterhappydisney</u>); it's a real pleasure to share our complicity and passion with other Disney fans. We've already met Instagram friends; Disney fans in Disneyland Paris. We would love to meet more people!



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.

Our Instagram account is pretty recent. We started it in August 2019 and we both had our Infinity Annual Pass. We decided to create this account because we wanted to share our passion for Disneyland Paris and also to show how happy and complicit we are when we're together in the park. Everybody around us say « Again Disney! » because they don't understand our addiction to Disneyland Paris. Now with our Instagram account, we can share our visits with people who have the same passion. It would be a pleasure to meet our Disney friends in the park and share our happiness with them.

Q 05 | THE LOVE

How and when did your love for Disney Parks start?

Patricia (mother): I visited Disneyland Paris for the first time in 1993 (Kelly wasn't born yet) with my husband and friends. It was a real emotional shock! Actually, I was Disney fan since my childhood, and it was a dream come true when the park opened. I was amazed by all the marvelous things in the park; the characters, the attractions, and the technologies that were very impressive for that moment in time.

Kelly (daughter): I visited the park for the very first time at the age of 5. A few days ago, I've found old pictures of me with characters (that don't look as cute as nowadays!) but those are good memories. I think that my passion for Disney came from my mother's passion. As we have a huge complicity, we like to share everything that can interest the other one (stylish clothes, music, photography and... DISNEY of course).

Q 06 | THE TRIPS

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

We visit the park 3 or 4 time each semester. We like to stay 2 nights and 3 days, if it's possible. We like to change our hotel every time and we want experience new things like a character breakfast, the Disneyland Hotel brunch, signature packages, hotel swimming pools etc. Each visit is different! Now we like to participate in the Annual Pass events where we can, because it's a fantastic opportunity to enjoy the park and shows with all Disney fans.

Q 07 | THE FAVORITS

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

Patricia (mother): I love "Peter Pan's Flight" since the opening. I force my daughter to take a FastPass each visit (because she is over with Peter Pan). I also like "Big Thunder Mountain", "Phantom Manor" and "Pirates of the Caribbean". My favorite show definitely is "Mickey and the Magician", which I saw many, many times with the same pleasure. And I'm in love with "The Jungle Book Jive", a strong happiness delivery.

Kelly (daughter): I can confirm that I'm forced to take FastPasses for Peter Pan. But it's OK. I've learned to love it! - WHATEVER. So, my favorite attraction is... let me see... I can't choose between the famous "Pirates of the Caribbean| and the terrifying "Tower of Terror". Can I say both? My favorite show is, just like my mother said, "Mickey and the Magician". I think I can do the speech of the entire show by heart!



Q 08 | THE MEMORY

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

We've had such a lot of lovely moments in Disneyland Paris that is difficult to choose one. The first time in the park was amazing and unforgettable. The Christmas visit with grandmother (the first time for her) was also a great moment because it was like if we had a child with us, seeing Mickey Mouse for the very first time! The first Annual Pass event « Pirates and Princesses » was incredible because it seemed to be a private opening with just a few people in the park... only true Disney fans were there to enjoy the parade and attractions. It was a dream! (We were in the Pirates team! ;-))

Q 09 | THE TIP

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

If it's the first time, you must plan the visit but take time to let the magic work, enjoy the parade, the views, the beautiful scenery, and the magical ambience. It's important to not run all day from an attraction to another, because Disneyland Paris is much more than an attraction park; it's s magic world for a magic time!

Q 10 | THE CHOICES

⊠ Mickey	or	Donald
Characters	or	Attractions
Star Wars	or	Marvel
Parades	or	Nighttime spectaculars
On-site hotel	or	Off-site hotel
🛛 Annual Pass	or	Ticket
Animation	or	Live-action
🛛 Pins	or	TsumTsums
Early morning visits	or	Evening visits
PhotoPass	or	FastPass
⊠ Jack Sparrow	or	🗌 Captain Hook

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



Do you have a question for me?

First of all, we want to thank you Niels, because it's an honor for us to be in your Disney Icon Spotlight. It was a pleasure to answer your questions. Our question to you: What's your dream in life (that will certainly come true ;-))?

Niels: Well, nothing is certain in life... but visiting all Disney Parks around the world with my family definitely is a life goal! Less certainly to come true; live in a Disney park or on a luxury Disney resort.

THE END

I would like to thank Kelly and Patricia 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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