

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.

Hi, I'm Gabby! I'm a 29-year-old girl who lives, breathes and dreams Disney! I am a military spouse and a Disney Vacation Planner - and have recently relocated from Germany to the Washington DC area!



Pictures provided by Gabby

Q 02 | THE PARKS

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

I have been blessed to visit Walt Disney World, Disneyland Resort in Anaheim, Disneyland Paris, and 2 ships in the fleet of Disney Cruise Line! For three years my "home park" was Disneyland Paris- I still have my Annual Pass! - but since we moved to the USA the closest park to us is now WDW! Maybe I will get one there too....

Q 03 | THE PLATFORM(S)

Where can we find your Disney fan platforms?

I have a Disney-themed Instagram account where I take you through the parks on each visit, and show my Disney lifestyle at home in between trips. I'd love for you to visit my account! Find me on IG at @disneyparisplease (<https://www.instagram.com/disneyparisplease>) and on FB at Gabby The Vacationeer.

Q 04 | THE FORMAT

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.

My account started when I moved to Germany with my husband. I was in a new place, didn't have any friends, and knew I needed to find a community. Before that I had no idea how big the Disney community was! I probably followed 2-3 Disney accounts on my own personal platform, but as soon as I made my account, I realized that I was not the first one who had this idea!! Immediately I was welcomed in, and overnight it felt like I had new friends to connect with. Having lived in the EU while I made the account, I exclusively covered Disneyland Paris- it was close enough for me to drive and take a quick weekend trip! I know it's a lot of work running this account, but it brings me joy when people say they can feel the magic from my posts and stories. For now, I will cover Walt Disney World AND Disneyland Paris.

Q 05 | THE LOVE

How and when did your love for Disney Parks start?

I was a Disney-baby and my love has only grown! We lived close to California so my family would often vacation at DLR. When we weren't there, we LOVED bingeing Disney movies and visiting the Disney Store in the mall.

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?

When I was in Germany I visited Disneyland Paris 1-2 times a month! Because we were so close my trips were usually 3-4 days at a time. I'm eager to get back once we can travel to Europe again! For Walt Disney World, I made a recent trip in December 2020, and have plans set for this March 2021! When I go to Walt Disney World, I typically go for 6 park days.

Q 07 | THE FAVORITS

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

DLP (Disneyland Paris)- Most rides are better at DLP than WDW and DLR! Especially "Space Mountain" & "Big Thunder Mountain". "Crush's Coaster" is also amazing. If you go to DLP, DO NOT miss out on the show "Mickey and the Magician". If you are going in the Winter definitely watch "Mickey's Big Band." Last show not to miss would be the light show that projects onto the castle called Illuminations.

WDW (Walt Disney World)- "Galaxy's Edge" is amazing! "Avatar: Flight of Passage" and the "Kilimanjaro Safaris" are also my favorites.

DLR (Disneyland Resort)- "Cars Land" - visit during the day and night! I haven't been to DLR since 2016, so I haven't been for any of the new renovations. One day!

DCL (Disney Cruise Line)- The cruises are fantastic. If you are on the fence take my word for it. It's all the magic of the parks but so much more relaxed!

Q 08 | THE MEMORY

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

Engaged in front of the castle in Disneyland Paris! It was unexpected and SO magical. I may have cried ;-) And I definitely said YES! :-)

Q 09 | THE TIP

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

Planning your Disney vacation can be overwhelming!! From where to stay, which restaurants to book, which ride to start with, transportation- these are all aspects that a vacation planner can help with! Find an authorized Disney vacation planner (like me!!) - to plan your trip and give you all the Disney tips - at no cost to you! It's our job to have random Disney park tips and knowledge - so don't hesitate to reach out! gabby@vacationeer.com.

Q 10 | THE CHOICES

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

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mickey | or | <input type="checkbox"/> Donald |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Characters | or | <input type="checkbox"/> Attractions |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Star Wars | or | <input type="checkbox"/> Marvel |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Parades | or | <input type="checkbox"/> Nighttime spectaculars |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On-site hotel | or | <input type="checkbox"/> Off-site hotel |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Annual Pass | or | <input type="checkbox"/> Ticket |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Animation | or | <input type="checkbox"/> Live-action |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pins | or | <input type="checkbox"/> TsumTsums |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Early morning visits | or | <input type="checkbox"/> Evening visits |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PhotoPass | or | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FastPass |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jack Sparrow | or | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Captain Hook |

Q 11 | THE QUESTION

Do you have a question for me?

What is your biggest Disney bucket-list item?

Niels: *At this moment after all the lockdowns, curfews and other COVID-19 related restrictions... visiting any Disney destination! But high on the list are Disneyland Anaheim, the original, preferably combined with Walt Disney World. One big US Parks trip. But Tokyo Disneyland is also really interesting, especially Tokyo DisneySea must be spectacular!*

THE END

I would like to thank Gabby 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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