

Disneyland



Disneyland Park, originally known as **Disneyland**, is the first of two theme parks built at the Disneyland Resort in California, opened on July 17, 1955. It is the only theme park designed and built under the direct supervision of *Walt Disney*. It was originally the only attraction on the property; its name was changed to Disneyland Park to distinguish it from the other parks which were created in the 1990s.

Walt Disney came up with the concept of Disneyland after visiting many amusement parks with his daughters in the 1930s and 1940s. After hiring a consultant to help him choose an appropriate site for his project, Disney bought a 650,000 square meter site near Anaheim in 1953. Construction began in 1954 and the park opened during a special televised event on the ABC Television Network on July 17, 1955.

Since its opening, Disneyland has changed a lot. There were many expansions and renovations, including the addition of New Orleans Square in 1966, Mickey's Toontown in 1993, and a forthcoming *Star Wars*-themed land.

Disneyland has a larger attendance than any other theme park in the world, with over 650 million guests since it opened. In 2013, the park hosted around 16.2 million guests. I think it would be a great experience for anyone to go and I hope I will be able to visit it someday.

