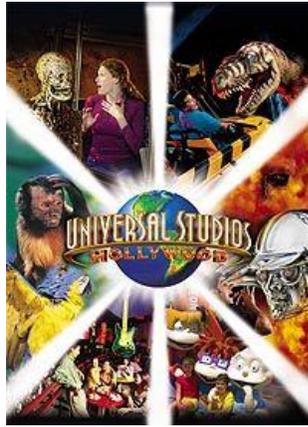


Universal Studio

Universal Studio, Hollywood California

(Tour date: Everyday)



Today, the first stop is the Hollywood Walk of Fame. It was built in 1958 by California's artist--- Oliver Weismuller. It consists of more than 2,400 five-pointed stars embedded in the sidewalks. The stars are permanent public monuments to achievement in the entertainment industry. Walk of Fame runs 1.3 miles, starting from Grauman's Chinese Theatre where the Oscar ceremony was held from 1944 to 1946. The Oscar ceremony has changed to be holding in Kodak Theatre (which is next to Chinese Theatre) since 2001. In fact, this is the home for many movie premieres. Universal Studio City set up in 1915 to serve as the general headquarters of what was already the biggest film company in the United States. Such film studios as MGM, Paramount, 20th Century Fox, and United Artists were not yet in existence. Universal Studio Hollywood was opened to the public on July 4, 1964, when the film market had dipped due to the rise of television in the early 1960s. This attraction now draws millions of visitors annually and brings biggest income to the studios. The Universal Studio, is located in Hollywood, capital of the American film industry, occupies an entire hill and covers 525 acres, 485 of which are in actual use. It comprises 48 film studios, of which 32 are devoted to shooting films. Universal Studio City is the biggest film and TV producer in the world. The tour takes visitors through thrilling cinematic spectacles, such as bridge-crushing snow avalanches, exploding mountain torrents, giant white sharks, a roaring effigy of King Kong, and so forth. Virtual reality mock-ups from the films "Back to the Future", "Jurassic Park", and "Aliens" are excruciatingly life-like, And awe-inspiring are the nerve-shattering special effects in "Water World" and "Wild West", and in the stereoscopic films "Terminator 2 3D" and "4D." The fun is accentuated by song- and -dance performances and animal show as well as humorous and comic children's programs.



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