

'Ohana Twilight Feast at Disney's Polynesian Villages Resort: A Walt Disney World Dining Review

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Aloha! Having a hard time getting a dinner reservation at 'Ohana? Do you sometimes just not want to leave your private plunge pool in your bungalow and wish dinner could be brought directly to you? Ever wish you could have bread pudding for breakfast the next morning? Well, all of these things are possible when you order the 'Ohana Twilight Feast from the Polynesian Village In-Room dining menu and have the fun brought right to your room!

You do have to be staying at Disney's Polynesian Village in order to take advantage of this experience from the in-room dining menu, but you do not have to be staying in a Bora Bora Bungalow (that was just a bonus). Our one night stay in a bungalow was a surprise that a friend and I did for our families. With some DVC extra points and planning we were able to take our family of two and their family of four to the Poly for a one night treat.

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□We knew that we wanted to take full advantage of the amenities of both the bungalow and the resort once we moved from our first room at Old Key West during a split stay over the Memorial Day weekend. We arrived around 10:30 am and through a little Disney magic our bungalow was ready for us just before noon. We were very fortunate. We donned bathing suits (and sunscreen!) and enjoyed our plunge pool, lounge chairs and outside cool shower.

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□We knew that we had wanted to order the twilight feast thanks to some pre-trip research on AllEars.Net as well as the Disney Food Blog. We were advised when we checked in to ensure that we placed our order well in advance of when we wanted dinner to be delivered and did just that. We ordered around 1:30pm and requested delivery around 7:00pm for dinner. The cast member taking our order was very helpful and advised us that we would not need to order a dinner serving for everyone in our party. That is our number one tip. The food served in 'Ohana in the dining room is family style and all you can eat. In order to ensure that nobody goes hungry the servings from the twilight feast are enormous! Through a wonderful cast member at the Polynesian front desk (Bailey) our meal was complimentary.

The cast member we spoke to when we called in-room dining advised us that we would receive the equivalent of six dinners. Our party was four

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adults and two children (ages 14 and 11; considered adults for purposes of dining). Even though we received six meals vs. seven the food that arrived to our door was most definitely a feast. The twilight dining is \$40 per meal (children's portions are available at \$20 per child); automatic gratuity of 18% and a nominal delivery fee of \$3 were also included in the cost. We also gave a cash gratuity. Included with each meal are all of your favorites from 'Ohana: salad, bread, pot stickers, noodles, veggies and all of the meats including beef, chicken and shrimp. We also received chicken wings and dipping sauces. Additionally the meal included 'Ohana Sunset Punch and bread pudding with caramel sauce for dessert. Understandably ice cream was not included as it would melt on the journey!

□ Our feast was delivered by a server who walked all of the way from the Great Ceremonial House to our bungalow with the food kept warm in a server cart on wheels. We were given plates, utensils and even salt and pepper and soy sauce. We received three bowls of salad, bread, three plates of noodles/veggies/pot stickers and three platters of meats. We also received three carafes of juice and three double servings of bread pudding. So much food!!

□ As you can imagine we nary put a dent in our feast, there was just too much food. If you plan to order this for yourself a single meal can easily feed two people. Our group didn't even touch two of the meat/shrimp platters. So what do you do with all of that extra food? We made friends with the family in the bungalow next to us and we were able to share the extra servings with them. The adults in the family were going to Victoria and Albert's for dinner the next night and the rest of the family was happy to share. Additionally; we were able to enjoy left overs for breakfast the next morning. Tonga Toast? Nope! Noodles, pot stickers and bread pudding on the deck?, absolutely! We were able to put all of the extra food in to go containers provided by the 'Ohana staff when they came to pick up the dishes after our meal, what a nice touch!

□ While our group was able to enjoy this experience while staying in a Bora Bora Bungalow; anyone staying at the Polynesian can order this meal through the in-room dining menu. This is a great option if you are not able to get a dinner reservation at 'Ohana and don't mind missing the dining room experience. Just be sure you are hungry for this feast!

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