Celebrity Weekend

FAQ VIP Package Holder Edition - Updated 10/9/2026

What if I have questions about my hotel stay?

Since we are part of a group block, please do not contact the hotel directly. Contact Anne with any questions. anne@sojournproject.org or 724.712.3363.

When will I get my VIP wristband?

VIP wristbands will be distributed at event check-in before Thursday night's VIP Welcome Party. Check-in will be at the front entrance to The Backyard, accessible from the front of the hotel to the left of the main lobby entrance. Please approach from the front rather than walking through the event space.

If your VIP package includes multiple guests, everyone must be present at check-in to receive their credentials. Hotel check-in is separate from Celebrity Weekend event check-in.

Your VIP wristband is your admission to all weekend events, so do not remove it until Celebrity Weekend ends on Sunday, December 6th. Removing, cutting, or tampering with your wristband will void it. If it is accidentally removed, the original ticket purchaser must bring the damaged wristband to Omar or Anne to request a replacement.

What is the schedule of events for the weekend?

The schedule can be found on the website https://www.sojournproject.org/celebrity-weekend/ and will be updated up until the week of the event.

What should I pack?

It is best to check our social media for photos of past events.There is information regarding the theme of each party in the ticket descriptions, as well as posts on facebook and Instagram about the parties.

- Thursday Night is considered a cocktail party, so attire appropriate for a party of that sort. However, some people are coming straight from the airport, so it is really whatever!
- For Discovery Cove apparel, please see Discovery Cove's website
- Friday night – Highlight the Night! Wear bright neon colors!
- Saturday – be comfortable and ready for whatever type of weather Central Florida may have in December this year!. Sometimes it is chilly; sometimes pretty hot. Be comfortable but it is also the day for Professional Photo Ops, so keep that in mind.
- Retro Rave – pack a costume representing your favorite decade! This is a fun one – go all out!
- Also, the hotel has an incredible pool so don't forget swimwear!

How do the Photo Ops work? How will I know when my Photo Op is and where?

The Pro Photo Ops go on sale closer to the event weekend. They will take place near the Meet & Greet area at the front of the hotel. We will have blocks of time scheduled for those in between the Meet & Greet Sessions. These times will appear on the Celebrity Weekend website "View Full Schedule" button, and also on "Photo Op Details". For your free Pro Photo Op that comes with your VIP package, just show up for the one you want! You will have a paper wristband that will be given to you at the Meet & Greet check-in on Saturday morning and it will be removed at the time of your chosen free Photo Op. Feel free to purchase as many Pro Photo Ops as you like!

Can I purchase additional Photo Ops?

Yes! These will be available on the website closer to the event weekend.

Where are the Meet & Greet Sessions?

All sessions of the Meet & Greet are at the tented area in front of the hotel.

Do I have to go through the line all over again for each Meet & Greet Session?

Yes, because there are different groups of celebrities for each session, in order to meet everyone you will need to get back in the line.

What can I get signed at the Meet & Greet Sessions?

As a VIP guest you can bring up to two items per celebrity to autograph during the Meet & Greet Sessions. In addition, we also provide a custom autograph program book that you can get signed!

Can I take selfies with the celebrities at the Meet & Greet Sessions?

Yes! There is no additional charge for selfies during the Meet & Greet Sessions. We do not allow ticket holders to come around into the celebrity area (celebrity side of the table), but you can still get some great selfies from the line side! Event volunteers can assist with taking photos.

Princess RoyalTEA with Linda Larkin,voice of Jasmine, and Irene Bedard, voice of Pocahontas
4:00pm in the Pearl Room (upstairs area of Melia Orlando Celebration) hosted by Jason Guy
Princess RoyalTEA tickets are not included with VIP Packages or Meet & Greet tickets - Separately ticketed event - tickets on sale now!

Irene Bedard, Linda Larkin and Jason Guy will not be appearing at the Meet & Greet Sessions.

Can I come in a day early?

Yes! Anne can arrange reservations for extra nights for you on our rate. Additional night (s) will be in the same type of room you will be in for the duration of your stay. Please let Anne know prior to October 1st and she will send you a link to pay for additional nights.We may be able to add extra nights up until event time, so please check with us if you need to add nights after 10/1.

Can I stay an extra day?

Yes! Same with coming in early – let Anne know!

How can I buy tickets to the Discovery Cove Excursion on Friday?

https://discoverycove.com/orlando/celebrity-weekend/

Discovery Cove Excursion not included with VIP Packages - separately ticketed event

If I buy tickets to Discovery Cove for the Friday activity, is there transportation provided?

Discovery Cove is around 8.6 miles from Melia Orlando Celebration and would be at least a 30 minute drive by car. Driving yourself if you have a vehicle or taking an Uber or Lyft would be your best options.

Are there activities happening at the hotel for those not going to Discovery Cove?

Poolside activities will be happening throughout the day – schedule TBD.

Will all of the celebrities be at all of the events for the whole time allotted?

While guests are expected to be at all of the events, the best way to meet every celebrity is at the Meet & Greet Sessions.

Most of the celebrities will be at all of the scheduled events, although perhaps not for the entire time. They are encouraged to attend some part of every event, and many will be around and approachable throughout the entire weekend.

Does the hotel offer shuttle service to the airport or to the theme parks?

The hotel does not offer this service.

Can I charge meals, drinks, etc. to my room?

Unfortunately, our room block with the hotel does not include this option.

I'm having trouble at check-in – what do I do?

Call Anne and she will come to the front desk! 724.712.3363

Can hotel guests that are staying at the hotel still attend the parties if they do not have a VIP package or individual tickets?

Everyone must have a valid ticket in order to be in the meet & greet and party areas. These are private, ticketed events so entry is only for those who have valid tickets. VIP packages include these tickets, however regular guests at the hotel without these packages would have to purchase tickets or be asked to leave. This will be enforced, so please make sure you have your proof of package/ticket purchase and check-in at each event/party.

Only Celebrity Weekend VIP wristbands will grant you entry – not Melia hotel wristbands. Celebrity Weekend VIP wristbands should not be removed or cut as that will make them invalid for entry for the entirety of your stay (with the exception of the Pro Photo Op wristbands mentioned).

***Please be aware that all outside alcoholic beverages must be enjoyed within your hotel room. Also, please take any outside food to your hotel room instead of any area of the hotel or The Wilson (The Wilson is the name of the hotel restaurant)**

We are always happy to answer any questions you may have! Please keep in mind that we have over 100 reality stars and hundreds of ticket holders so it is best to check this list, our website, your emails from us and social media posts for information first!

Thank You!!

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