Chris & Elaine's Shopping Guide

There is a wealth of shopping opportunities in or near Kissimmee. All shopping venues are designed not only to provide a variety of different types of outlets but also to create different shopping experiences. Note, prices are all displayed <u>excluding</u> tax so expect a further 6-6.5% to be added at the checkout.

Most <u>main malls</u> also have food courts and variety of restaurants located nearby. Similarly other stores can be found around the perimeter of the main malls.

<u>Outlet malls</u> are where the main brands sell their products at reduced prices - often the ranges are being cleared to make way for new season/styles. Bargains can be found particularly regarding trainers, jeans etc. Outlet malls are often open until late evening (11pm in some cases!). The outlet malls are very well presented and provide a great environment for spending an hour – or more!

<u>Shopping Strips</u> are a development of stores that is more spread out and not enclosed. Sometimes getting from one end to the other can be a long walk, so you may want to drive!

This is a summary of the main shopping opportunities close to Lindfields. All shopping venues are very car friendly and have plenty of space and parking is FREE! Please check directions before setting out!

Walmart

A budget store (many open 24 hours) selling almost everything! Walmart offer great value goods such as clothing, homeware, music and computer hardware and software, sports equipment, cameras, stationery and groceries. They also offer a range of services such as pharmacy, banking, opticians, and hairdressing. Many also have DVD hire facilities through self-service machines.

There are two stores close to our home.

Store 1: Turn left out of Lindfields. Go to end of the 192 and take 27 north (right slip). Walmart is approx. half a mile on right (1st traffic lights). Lowes, a home improvement store is next door (well, Chris like's looking around there!!)

Journey time: approx. 10 minutes

Store 2: Turn right out of Lindfields onto the 192. Take right turn into Old Lake Wilson Road. To avoid the traffic on the 192, when leaving our home, as normal, take a left onto Bloomsbury Drive & right onto Kensington Court, Then turn right, Approx 0.5 miles, turn left into Funie Stead Road. Go straight on at all junctions until you come N Old Lake Wilson. Turn right and Walmart is on the left. This store also has gas / petrol station.

Journey time: approx. 10 minutes

Target

A smart Walmart type store offering very similar products and services.

Directions: Turn right out of Lindfields. Pass under 429 and Target is in Rolling Oaks on right. Here you will also find Ross, TK Max, Ultra and other stores. Journey time: approx. 5 mins.

Margaritaville

This is resort complex with shops and lots of restaurants. There is a cinema/ grill (large reclining seats and you can eat & drink while watching the film! Also there is a small waterpark

Directions: Turn right out of Lindfields. Pass under 429 on right next to Rolling Oaks

Walgreen's / C.V.S.

A 24 hour drug store / pharmacy (although the main dispensing pharmacy is not open 24 hours). A great range of everything medical plus some food provisions and general merchandise.

Directions: Turn right out of Lindfields. Walgreens is on the right, just after Houlihans restaurant. Journey time: approx. 5 mins.

Publix

The main food supermarket chain selling everything you would expect in a major supermarket. With fresh meat and fish counters and in-store bakeries. Some branches.

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Store 1: Turn right out of Lindfields. Pass under 429. Publix is on left behind Appleby's restaurant etc. Journey time: approx. 5 mins.

Store 2: Turn left out of Lindfields and Publix is approx. 1 mile on the right.

This store also has a pharmacy. Journey time: approx. 5 mins.

Aldi

Lidl is a German global discount no-frills supermarket chain. They have great prices but have a smaller range than a traditional supermarket, with mostly own brands.

Directions:

Turn left out of Lindfields and Lidl is approx. 1 mile on the left opposite Publix.

Disney Springs (Shopping, Restaurants, Entertainment)

This large Disney complex includes four distinct areas.

In the market Place you will find the world's largest Disney store. The store's twelve rooms full of plush toys, clothing, collectibles, gourmet items, jewellery will keep you busy browsing (or buying) for quite some time. Lego's Imagination centre is also there.

Directions: Turn right out of Lindfields. In approx. 4 miles take the Disney exit on the right and follow signs to Disney Springs.

To avoid the traffic on the 192, see our guide to alternative routes to the Disney Parks.

There are 3 multi-storey carparks.

Journey time: approx. 20 minutes.

The Florida Mall

One of Central Florida's largest malls. There is also a large Food Court.

Shops include: Upmarket department stores, a large J.C. Penney, Sears and an Apple store. Lots of other 'chain' stores.

Directions: Turn right out of Lindfields and in approx. 5 miles take the exit for Interstate 4 East towards Orlando. Take exit 72 onto the 528 Beachline towards Cape Canaveral. Take the Orange Blossom Trail (17/92 etc!) exit 4 (<u>last exit before toll</u>). Merge right towards OBT. At the junction turn left and about half a mile down The Florida Mall will be on your right.

Journey time: approx. 30 minutes.

Orlando Premium Outlets - Vineland Avenue

Shops include: A variety of major brand outlet shops all offering good bargains. Also, a food court and other eating places nearby.

Directions: The closest major outlet facility to Lindfields. Take Interstate 4 East towards Orlando. Take exit 68 for route 535 (Lake Buena Vista). Go straight across at the end of the slip onto Vineland Avenue. Continue for one mile and the entrance to the parking area will be on your right.

Journey time: approx. 15 minutes.

Orlando Premium Outlets - International Drive

Shops include: A variety of major brand outlet shops all offering good bargains. Also, a food court and other eating places nearby.

For more information visit:

Directions: Located at the very top of International Drive (I Drive). Take Interstate 4 East towards Orlando. Take exit 75A, turn right at the end of the slip and head towards the junction with I-Drive. Turn left onto I-Drive and follow road to the end.

Journey time: approx. 30 minutes.

Winter Garden Village

Shops include: Target, Jo-Ann Fabrics, Dress Barn, Best Buy, Marshalls, Ross, Staples, Ulta Beauty, Lowes and many more!

There is also a large variety of restaurants and eating at Winter Garden Village.

Shops are spread out in an open air environment. The whole area is really well laid out and is an ideal place to go late afternoon for a wander around the shops (open till late), and then have something to eat before heading home.

Directions: Turn right out of Lindfields, just a few minutes along 192 will bring you to the traffic-light junction with SR429. Go under bridge and take the left hand turn onto SR429 North. The journey on SR429 will take approx. 20 minutes and will go through two toll booths. Take the exit 19, which is just after the second toll booth. Turn left at traffic lights and Winter Garden Village is on the right. (some of the restaurants are on the left). Journey time: approx. 25 minutes.

The Loop / The Loop West (across the road to each other)

Shops include: JC Penney, Ross, Michaels, Ulta Beauty, T. J. Maxx.

There are also lots of restaurants and a multi-screen cinema adjacent to The Loop.

Directions: Turn right out of Lindfields and go down 192 towards the Disney exit. Take the Disney exit and stay right following the Osceola Parkway signs. Remain on the Parkway, (passing Gaylord Palms Hotel on your right) for about 20 minutes and the Loop will be on your right at the junction of Osceola Parkway and John Young Parkway.

Journey time: approx. 30 minutes.

The Mall at Millenia

A large <u>upmarket</u> shopping experience with Bloomingdales, Macy's, Tiffany and Apple all having stores.

Directions: Take Interstate 4 towards Orlando, leave at exit 78 and turn right onto Conroy Road. Follow signs for Mall at Millenia.

Journey time: approx. 20 minutes.

Posner Park

Shops include: J.C. Penney, Best Buy, Target, Michaels, and Staples.

There is a multi-screen cinema.

Directions: Turn left out of Lindfields onto 192 towards HW27. Take 27 South towards Haines City. Posner Park is located on HW27, on the left, just after the junction with Interstate 4. Shops are rather spread out along an open air strip.

Journey time: approx. 15 minutes.

J.C. Penney

A major department store selling most things except food. Cosmetics, perfumery, men and women's fashion, shoes, homeware etc. Penney's have major stores at the main shopping malls but also smaller branches at some shopping strips.

Best Buy

An electrical equipment superstore (like Comet/ PC World). Selling computer hardware and software, CD's, DVD's, TV and home-theatre systems, also washing machines, fridge/freezers etc.

Sears

A department store with similar ranges to JC Penney, but not as comprehensive and not so well presented.

Dicks

A sports superstore selling sportswear (clothing and equipment) for most sports you can think of.

Ross / TJ Maxx / Marshalls

Outlets for designer line ends. Selling men's and women's clothing and shoes, homeware etc. Very basically presented – be prepared to rummage! Some bargains to be found.

Michaels

A wonderful craft superstore. If you are into any form of handicrafts or art then you will find a great range of products from card-making, jewellery making, cross-stitch and knitting to woodcrafts and silk flowers. Their prices are generally very good. Coupons are available on-line, often giving up to 40% discount.

Jo-Ann Fabrics

Jo-Ann's offer a range similar to Michaels but concentrate on fabrics and sewing and less on general handicrafts. Their range is great from cotton and dressmaking materials to upholstery fabrics.

Coupons are available on-line, often giving up to 40% discount.

Barnes and Noble

Large book shops similar to Waterstones. Often with coffee shop facilities.

7-11

As in UK. Petrol and basic provisions.

Staples

As in UK. Great range of stationery and office equipment.

Ulta Beauty

A beauty superstore, selling cosmetics and perfumes etc., often with a hair salon and nail bar.

Rack Room Shoes / Factory Brand / Payless Shoes

Good value shoe stores in many locations

Home Depot & Lowes

The two major home improvement stores, which are similar to B&Q in the UK

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