

World Series Champion St. Louis Cardinals, Yankees, Mets and Phillies Coming to Disney for Braves Spring Training

Cards, Yankees, Mets and Phillies part of marquee Braves schedule that features 18 home games at ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex, including three under the lights; Disney post-game tradition of kids running the bases continues

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. (Nov. 15, 2011) – Some of Major League Baseball’s marquee teams, including the reigning World Series Champion St. Louis Cardinals and New York Yankees, will take on the Atlanta Braves at [Walt Disney World Resort](#) during spring training in 2012.

The Cardinals and Yankees, as well as the New York Mets and Philadelphia Phillies, make up the core of the Braves’ 18-game home schedule at *Champion Stadium* at [ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex](#) at Disney. The Cardinals face the Braves on March 19. The Yankees visit twice, Saturday March 10 and Wednesday March 28, and the New York Mets come in three times, March 9 and 23 and the spring home finale April 2. And the Phillies face the Braves on April 1.

The Braves report to the complex for two weeks of training in mid-February, then begin play March 3 against the Detroit Tigers, who return to Disney for a Saturday matchup on March 31. The recently renamed Miami Marlins will sport their new uniforms at Disney on March 22.

The schedule features three night games under the lights at *Champion Stadium* – the Washington Nationals on March 14 and the Houston Astros March 16 and 30.

Each Braves spring training game has a unique Disney feel with family-oriented fun, including in-game entertainment, Disney character appearances and on-field fan experiences. And in what has become a Disney tradition, kids will again have the opportunity to run the bases after every game.

Individual game tickets for the Braves’ home spring training season go on sale Jan. 7, at 10 a.m. through Ticketmaster (800/745-3000 and [ticketmaster.com](#)) and at the sports complex box office.

Information on the Braves' spring training season, group tickets and mini-packs is available by calling 407/939-GAME (4263) and online at www.espnwwos.com/atlantabraves. The popular mini-packs are now on sale, featuring four separate three-game options in 2012 and giving fans their first opportunity to purchase tickets to specific games on the Braves' 2012 spring training schedule. The newest package, the "Pick 'Em Plan," offers guests tickets to four games including one Yankees, Cardinals or Phillies game, and three other non premium games of the fans' choosing.

Fans may also purchase Atlanta Braves Spring Training travel packages through Spring Training USA. Travel packages include Braves game tickets, accommodations at Walt Disney World Resort and other benefits. Information is available online at springtrainingtours.com.

About ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex

ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex, which hosts more than 350 events a year, is the leading multi-sport venue for amateur and professional sports in the nation, accommodating 70 different sports and athletes from more than 70 countries. Designed to take youth sports to the next level, the 230-acre facility features multiple competition venues, including *Champion Stadium*, the HP Field House, the Jostens Center, the Hess Sports Fields, a track & field facility, a tennis complex and a baseball/softball sportsplex. It is also home to the ESPN Innovation Lab, a real-world testing ground for the ESPN Emerging Technology Group that develops ground-breaking on-air products like Ball Track and ESPN Snap Zoom, as well as development of its new 3-D television channel. In addition, the complex features 56 high-definition cameras and 40 high-definition video screens, including three jumbo screens, which can capture and display footage from any event taking place at the complex. The camera and video screens, as well as a 20-zone audio system, are controlled through the state-of-the-art HD and 3-D Production Center with direct links to ESPN facilities in Bristol, Conn., New York and Los Angeles. For more information, visit www.disneysportsnews.com for press releases, photos and videos. Follow us on Twitter at @ESPNWWOS.

The 2012 Atlanta Braves Spring Training home schedule follows.

2012 Atlanta Braves Spring Training Home Schedule

Saturday	March 3	Detroit Tigers	1:05 PM
Tuesday	March 6	Washington Nationals	1:05 PM
Friday	March 9	New York Mets-SS	1:05 PM
Saturday	March 10	New York Yankees	1:05 PM
Sunday	March 11	Toronto Blue Jays-SS	1:05 PM
Wednesday	March 14	Washington Nationals	6:05 PM
Friday	March 16	Houston Astros	6:05 PM
Saturday	March 17	Toronto Blue Jays-SS	1:05 PM
Sunday	March 18	Baltimore Orioles	1:05 PM
Monday	March 19	St Louis Cardinals	1:05 PM
Thursday	March 22	Miami Marlins	1:05 PM
Friday	March 23	New York Mets	1:05 PM
Sunday	March 25	Houston Astros	1:05 PM
Wednesday	March 28	New York Yankees	1:05 PM
Friday	March 30	Houston Astros	6:05 PM
Saturday	March 31	Detroit Tigers	1:05 PM
Sunday	April 1	Philadelphia Phillies	1:05 PM

Monday

April 2

New York Mets

12:00 PM

*SS – denotes split squad

All times are Eastern and are subject to change

All games to be played at *Champion Stadium* at ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex