

Brazil Wants to Build a Disneyland in Capital Brasília

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Brazilian officials are talking with the Walt Disney Co. about a deal that would bring the entertainment company's first theme park in Latin America to Brasília.

The Federal District's government has put a proposal on the table for Disney executives, who "have responded positively" in early discussions, the Jornal de Brasília newspaper said.

The capital's government has offered Disney a 30-year lease on 175 hectares (432 acres) in Burle Marx Park for the attraction.

Although the park is a nature preserve, the decree under which it was created set aside the land in question for an amusement park that could become the Disney attraction.

Disney Parks and Resorts operates or licenses 10 theme parks on three continents, with an 11th park now under construction in Hong Kong, along with 35 resort hotels, two luxury cruise ships and a wide variety of other entertainment offerings, according to the company's Web site

The first amusement park, Disneyland, opened in 1955 in Anaheim, California.

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