

## Yak & Yeti™ Restaurant Disney's Animal Kingdom® Park Lake Buena Vista, Florida

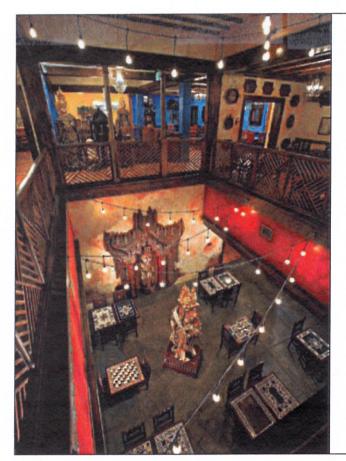
Company: Landry's Restaurants, Inc.

Architect/Designer: Cuningham Group Architecture, P.A. General Contractor: The Whiting-Turner Contracting Co.

Type of Merchandise: Restaurant



Yak & Yeti" Restaurant developed by Landry's Restaurants, Inc. and Schussler Creative, Inc. is a must-see restaurant experience within Disney's Animal Kingdom® Park. It complements the popular Expedition Everest-Legend of the Forbidden Mountain attraction by giving visitors the option of dining in an immersive sit-down Asian restaurant, visiting the theatrical quick service food café, or purchasing an item in the quaint retail village Yak &Yeti represents the first time a third party restaurant owner has ever operated inside a Disney Park. As such, close coordination between Walt Disney Imagineering, Cuningham Group Architecture, P.A., Landry's Restaurants, Inc., and Schussler Creative, Inc. was required. Design and development goals called for reflecting authentic Himalayan culture and eclectic Asian architecture while still performing efficiently to meet the demands of a large commercial restaurant. The design needed to blend flawlessly as part of Animal Kingdom's Asian-inspired setting and create a seamless guest experience by connecting existing establishments, all while not disrupting animal exhibits or current environments during construction. The resulting 17,366 squarefoot restaurant reflects the evolution of small houses and buildings stitched together over time to form a large dining venue at the base of the Himalayan Mountains. The immersive experience with 250 indoor and 350 outdoor seats both supports the existing park features and provides a compelling destination. Guests can dine in various rooms, patios and porches with well-designed sight lines allowing a full experience from any vantage point.



Congratulations to the design and development team for Yak & Yeti™ Restaurant at Disney's Animal Kingdom® Park — 2009 ICSC U.S. Design and Development Award Finalist.







