

**It's happened! The most villainous amped-up mayhem is here!**

## **MINION PARK AREA EXPANDS!**

**Unleash your inner Villain at Exhilarating New Interactive Attraction  
Illumination's Villain-Con Minion Blast**

**In MINION PARK at UNIVERSAL STUDIOS JAPAN is set to Open SUMMER 2025**

**Area expansion celebrated by about 300 Minion fans**

OSAKA, Japan (Apr. 24, 2025) – Since its opening in April 2017, a spectacular themed MINION PARK at Universal Studios Japan has been immensely popular. In Summer 2025, MINION PARK will expand by 40% its current size with an all-new area, based on Illumination's Minions Film Franchise.

At today's "MINION PARK" 8th anniversary fan event, the Park announced a series of surprises, including news of the area's expansion, Grand Opening time and an overview of the Park's first-ever moving walkway\* interactive blaster attraction, "Illumination's Villain-Con Minion Blast". Approximately 300 enthusiastic fans of Illumination's Minions gathered for the event and were Super Excited about the prospect of a new and unprecedented Minions experience.



Illumination's "Despicable Me" and "Minions" film franchises are immensely popular around the world, becoming the first animated film series to gross over 5 billion dollars at the worldwide box office. Since its opening in April 2017, the "MINION PARK" area at Universal Studios Japan has continued to evolve as one of the world's largest themed areas based on the world-famous "Minions" characters, with the introduction of "Freeze Ray Sliders" ride and a variety of seasonal programs, welcoming many guests from Japan and abroad. With this area expansion, Universal Studios Japan hopes that families and people of all ages will be able to experience the greatly enhanced "MINION PARK". Please stay tuned for more information on the new area.

\*Ride attraction with moving walkway on which guests progress while standing.

■ **“Go For It!” Experience an Unprecedented Enhancement of Mayhem!**  
**MINION PARK will expand by 40% its current size with new area!**



MINION PARK will expand by 40% its current size with new area. In addition to the existing popular attractions in “MINION PARK” such as “Despicable Me: Minion Mayhem” and “Freeze Ray Sliders”, the new “Illumination’s Villain-Con Minion Blast” will debut as an attraction guests of all ages can enjoy. In addition, there will be a number of new entertainment elements including snack stands and stores offering unique food and merchandise developed with mayhem in mind, only available in the new area that will make you want to “Go For It!” when you see it.

■ **“Go For It!” Blast your way to supervillain stardom!**  
**NEW ATTRACTION “Illumination’s Villain-Con Minion Blast”**

The first moving walkway interactive blaster attraction in the Park’s history debuts at Universal Studios Japan’s MINION PARK, offering an exciting evolution of the popular Orlando attraction – now featuring new, exclusive content and enhanced gameplay features.

Join illumination’s Minions at Villain-Con and encounter Belle Bottom, Jean Clawed and the rest of the Vicious 6 as you compete to become the newest member of their supervillain group. Use your E-Liminator X blaster and test your skill in this exhilarating, interactive attraction that



requires no restraint. Simply stand on a moving walkway and blast your way through the competition as you cause maximum destruction and collect valuable loot. Whoever scores the most points will be on their way to supervillain stardom! It’s all-new fun at Minion Park at Universal Studio’s Japan.

**<Attraction Information>**

[Experience time] Approximately 7 minutes

\*People under 122cm must be accompanied by an adult. Children cannot be held in their arms.

\*Wheelchairs and strollers are permitted. However, electric wheelchairs are not permitted.

**< “Universal Prime Annual Pass Grand Royal” holders Advance experience>**

We are planning “Universal Prime Annual Pass Grand Royal” holders have a special opportunity that to enjoy the new area before grand open. Details, including the content of the experience, will be announced at a later date.

## ■About Universal Studios Japan

Universal Studios Japan is wholly owned by Comcast NBCUniversal. Universal Studios Japan, located in Osaka Japan, has succeeded in establishing its position as a prominent entertainment and leisure landmark – drawing many guests from Japan as well as overseas. The park offers some of the world's most exciting and innovative experiences – high quality attractions, shows, and seasonal events based on Hollywood blockbusters, Japanese anime and entertainment brands popular around the globe. Guests can let loose and enjoy unforgettable, super energetic experiences throughout the park. Universal Studios Japan has continued to evolve since its opening in 2001. It most recently launched SUPER NINTENDO WORLD, where guests can unleash their passion to play in an immersive environment based on iconic Nintendo characters and their worlds. It also offers premier entertainment experiences such as the magical The Wizarding World of Harry Potter featuring Harry Potter and the Forbidden Journey, the breathtaking Jurassic Park area with its state-of-the-art Flying Dinosaur coaster, and Minion Park, where guests will encounter Minions causing mischief on Despicable Me Minion Mayhem.

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