

When to Book & Important Dates

12+ months before sailing

- Start researching when and where you'd like to sail
- Book your cruise
- Apply for (or renew) passports *(if applicable)*
- Book Disney Ground Transportation *(if applicable)*



6 to 9 months before sailing

- Finalize travel plans
 - Reserve pre- and post-cruise hotels
 - Book flights
- Research Port Adventures, specialty dining and other onboard activities you may want to book such as nursery reservations

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3 to 6 months before sailing

- Download the *Disney Cruise Line Navigator* app
- Add transportation transfers to and from the airport (when applicable)
- Consider adding travel insurance
- Book Port Adventures, *Castaway Cay* cabanas, specialty dining, nursery reservations & other onboard activities*
 - Concierge Level - 130 days prior
 - Pearl Castaway Club Members - 123 days prior
 - Platinum Castaway Club Members - 120 days prior
 - Gold Castaway Club Members - 105 days prior
 - Silver Castaway Club Members - 90 days prior
 - First-time cruisers - 75 days prior
- Make the final cruise payment (if not paid in full)
 - 1-5 night cruises - 90 days prior
 - 6+ night cruises - 120 days prior
 - Concierge Level - 90 days for 1-5 night cruises, 120 days prior for 6+ night cruises
- Complete online check-in* You'll need your travel party's passports!
 - Pearl Castaway Club Members & Concierge Level - 40 days prior
 - Platinum Castaway Club Members - 38 days prior
 - Gold Castaway Club Members - 35 days prior
 - Silver Castaway Club Members - 33 days prior
 - First-time cruisers - 30 days prior

*Can be found on the *Disney Cruise Line Navigator* app



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One month before sailing

- Book the *Royal Gathering**, the Disney Princess meet-and-greet
- Purchase a photo package through Shutters Photography Shop
- Gather travel documents/ passports and Port Arrival Form
- Review the *Disney Cruise Line* prohibited items list and alcohol policy
- Pack a light carry-on bag for each member of your travel crew
- Make special requests*
- Accessibility assistance or medical equipment
- Baby needs (bottle warmer, diaper pail or crib)
- Dietary requests
- Celebration planning
- Pre-pay gratuities at least 3 days before sailing*

The week of sailing

- Secure necessary travel documents and embarkation day essentials in your carry-on bag (phone, medications, glasses, sunscreen, swimsuit, sunglasses/hat)
- Attach *Disney Cruise Line* luggage tags to bags

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