



Embarkation Day: Know Before You Go

Discover what you'll need to do when you arrive at the cruise terminal—as you make your way onto the ship.

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Top Things You'll Need to Know

Please read this information carefully and be sure to check back 24 hours

prior to your sail date as some information may change.

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- Disney Cruise Line strongly encourages all eligible Guests to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 before sailing. Guests who are fully vaccinated may choose to provide proof of vaccination in order to be exempt from pre-trip and Embarkation Day testing requirements (unless arriving from outside the United States) and travel insurance requirements. The US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) considers people to be fully vaccinated 14 days after the final dose has been administered. To learn more about how to provide proof of your vaccination, please visit: [Before Leaving Home: Know Before You Go](#).
- **Pre-Trip COVID-19 Testing:**
Guests must provide proof of a negative COVID-19 PCR test (paid for at the Guest's expense) taken between 5 days and 24 hours prior to the sail date. Disney Cruise Line has secured a special rate of \$98.33 per PCR test (which includes a 3.5% processing fee) through our third-party vendor, Inspire Diagnostics. Guests may also obtain their PCR test from any independent testing supplier. Guests who are fully vaccinated may choose to provide proof of vaccination instead of undergoing COVID-19 pre-trip testing. To learn more about how to provide proof of your negative COVID-19 PCR test result, please visit: [Before Leaving Home: Know Before You Go](#).
- **Embarkation COVID-19 Testing:** Guests are required to undergo a rapid PCR COVID-19 test administered by Inspire Diagnostics at the terminal prior to boarding. Guests with positive COVID-19 test results, as well as those in their travel party, will be denied boarding. The \$65 test fee will be charged to the folio of all Guests 12 years and older.

Disney Cruise Line acts as the paying agent for Inspire Diagnostics and will remit the entire cost of the COVID-19 test to Inspire Diagnostics. Guests who are fully vaccinated may choose to provide proof of vaccination instead of undergoing COVID-19 embarkation testing.

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Complete Online Check-In

Online check-in begins 30 days prior to your sail date. You must complete the required Online Check-In process at least one day prior to the date you set sail. This step-by-step process includes filling out important cruise documents and selecting a port arrival time. Completing Online Check-In will help in physical distancing efforts and reduce the time at the cruise terminal before you board the ship. [Begin Online Check-In.](#)

Download the Disney Cruise Line Navigator App

Be sure to [download the latest version of our app](#) on your mobile device, with location services and notifications enabled. Simply put, the app is your number one resource for all the details you need during your cruise. In addition, you can reserve premium experiences; communicate directly with Guest Services and other onboard teams via our new live chat feature, and use our new virtual queue system to easily debark the ship at all ports of call.

[Learn more about what you'll need to do to prepare for your Disney cruise —before you make your way to the cruise terminal.](#)

Port Arrival

Here's what you need to know as you arrive at the cruise terminal.

Arrive On Time

To promote physical distancing in the terminal and reduce the time needed to board the ship, Guests should complete their [Online Check-In](#) and select a port arrival time at home.

Please note: All Guests and Castaway Club Members—including Platinum Members—are required to select a port arrival time before making their way to the cruise terminal.

For the health and well-being of everyone, Guests are not permitted at the terminal or in parking areas before their scheduled port arrival time and will be turned away if arriving early.

Inside the Cruise Terminal

Here's what you need to know as you make your way into the cruise terminal.

Face Coverings

All Guests (ages 2 and up, including those who are fully vaccinated against COVID-19) are required to wear appropriate face coverings indoors, except when in their staterooms or actively eating or drinking (while stationary and maintaining an appropriate physical distance). Face coverings are not required for Guests outdoors while on board the ship and at Disney Castaway Cay. Face coverings may be required in ports of call based on local government requirements.

All face coverings should fully cover an individual's nose and mouth and allow the Guest to remain hands-free; fit snugly but comfortably against the side of the face; be secured with ties or ear loops; and be made of 2 layers of breathable material, either disposable or reusable, that is not elastic in nature such as spandex and elastane. At this time based on guidance from health authorities, neck gaiters, open-chin triangle bandanas and face coverings containing valves, mesh material or holes of any kind are not acceptable face coverings. Costume masks are not considered appropriate and are prohibited from being worn.

Luggage

We strongly recommend all bags and luggage be checked in. Guests 21 years of age and older are allowed to bring a maximum of 2 bottles of wine or one 6-pack of beer in their carry-on luggage. Additional alcohol beyond this limit or discovered in checked luggage will be discarded. Bringing liquor and spirits (including powdered alcohol) on board is prohibited.

Embarkation Day Health Questionnaire

All Guests are required to complete a health questionnaire prior to arriving at the terminal. The form can be found on the Disney Cruise Line Navigator App on Embarkation Day. In addition, an email will be sent out to all Guests with a link where Guests can fill out the questionnaire. A secondary screening by a health care professional may be required based on the answers provided in the health questionnaire.

Special Needs

Are you a Guest with special needs? Please contact us at SpecialServices@disneycruise.com at least 30 days prior to your sail date for more information.

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[Learn more about our enhanced health and safety measures.](#)



Getting on the Ship

Here's what you need to know as you board the ship for the very first time.

Stateroom and Mandatory Emergency Drill

Your stateroom will be ready at 4:00 PM. Before heading there, you will need to take part in our Mandatory Emergency Drill. Using the [Disney Cruise Line Navigator App](#), everyone assigned to your stateroom must go to their assigned Assembly Station and check in before setting sail. In addition, a Safety Information video will be broadcast on monitors throughout the ship, on stateroom televisions and will also be available to view via the Disney Cruise Line Navigator app.

Activities

View the [Disney Cruise Line Navigator app](#) for a list of offerings available to you and your family on board the ship.

Dining

Feeling hungry before dinner? Check the [Disney Cruise Line Navigator app](#) after boarding to see the lunchtime selections available. Quick and casual-dining offerings will also be available at the ship's many outdoor eateries on the upper decks.

Our friendly Crew will greet Guests as they arrive at each dining room to help promote proper physical distancing between travel parties. For dinner, Guests will be assigned to the same table and service team, with one travel party per table. Preassigned locations and dinner times can be found on the Disney Cruise Line Navigator app and are also printed on the Key to the World cards located in each stateroom. Additional offerings for breakfast, lunch and snacks can be found on the [Disney Cruise Line Navigator app](#).

Departure Time

To support enhanced shipboard cleaning, the ship's scheduled departure time may be as late as 7:00 PM.

[Discover the magic that awaits you and your family on board the ship.](#)

Your Guide to Updated Experiences

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Read about our enhanced health and safety measures, and discover the top things you'll need to know for your cruise.

Before Leaving Home

Check out what you'll need to do prior to making your way to the cruise terminal.

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Discover the latest information regarding dining, entertainment, recreation and more.

Find out about Port Adventures and what you can expect when exploring cruise destinations.

View valuable information about your final cruise day as you leave the ship.