

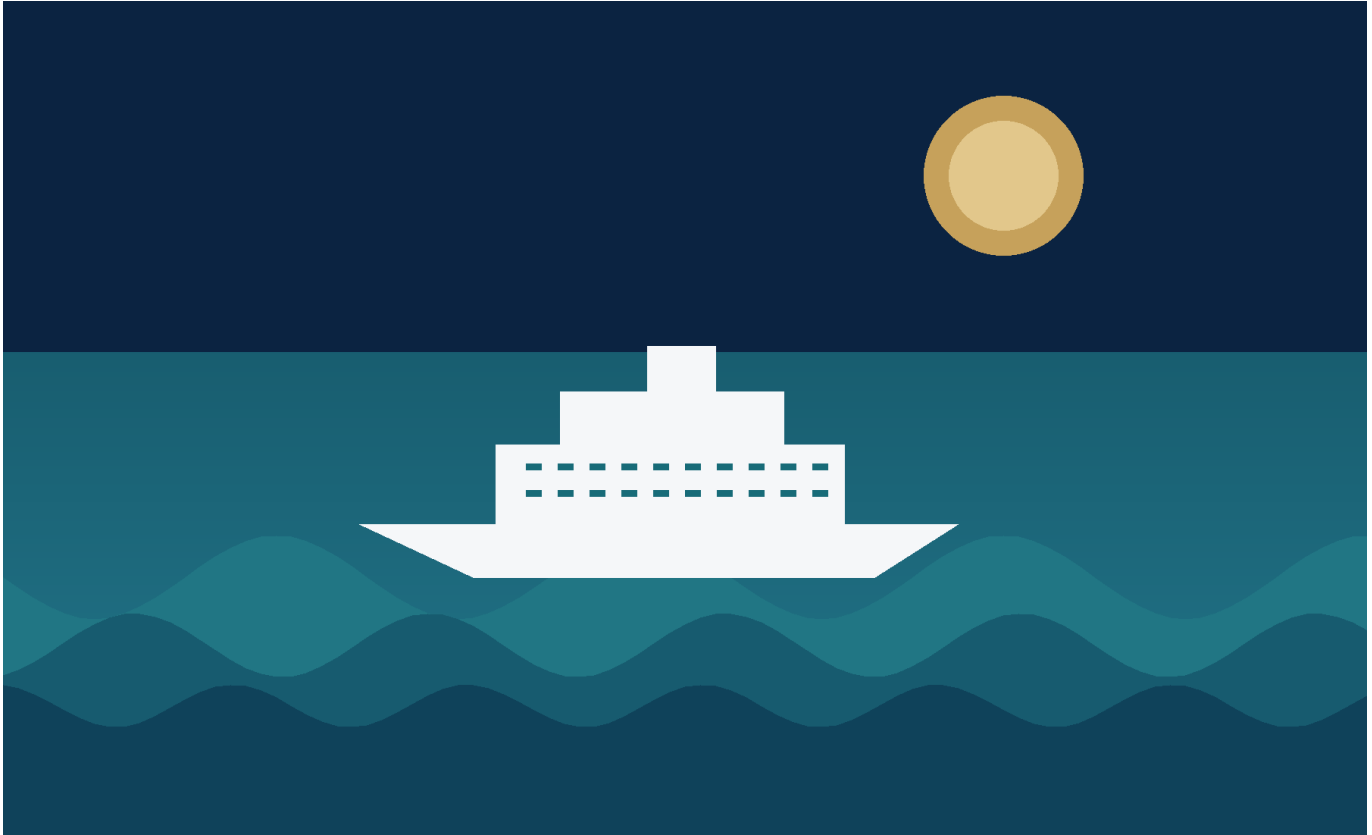


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CELEBRITY CRUISES

PLANNING GUIDE



Choose the right ship, stateroom, destination, dining style and onboard experience.

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How to Use This Guide

A practical decision guide for first-time and returning Celebrity cruisers.

Celebrity Cruises sits in a useful middle ground: more refined and destination-focused than many mass-market cruise experiences, but without requiring the price point or formality of a traditional luxury line. The key is matching the right ship, room category and fare structure to the way you actually travel.

The 7220 Travel rule

Do not start with the cheapest sailing. Start with the vacation you want: destination, pace, ship atmosphere, room type, dining priorities and who is traveling. Then compare the real total cost.

Use this guide in five decisions

1. Destination

Where do you want the trip to take you - and how port-intensive do you want the itinerary to be?

3. Stateroom

Inside, Ocean View, Veranda, Concierge Class, AquaClass or The Retreat can change both price and experience.

5. Onboard priorities

Dining, spa access, family programs, entertainment and sea-day style should match your group.

2. Ship

Edge Series, Solstice Series and Millennium Series feel different. Newer is not automatically better for every traveler.

4. Fare & packages

Cruise-only and All Included should be compared using what you would realistically purchase, not headline price alone.

Advisor checkpoint

A travel advisor can help compare dates, promotions, room locations, group needs and pre/post-cruise logistics.

What this guide covers

Ocean cruises only; Celebrity River Cruises is treated separately because its first sailings begin in 2027.

The current Celebrity ocean fleet, including Celebrity Xcel.

Stateroom classes, The Retreat, AquaClass and Concierge Class.

All Included, drink packages, Wi-Fi, dining, families, loyalty and planning timelines.

Current-info note: Reviewed September 11, 2026. Policies, prices, promotions and amenities can change; verify your exact sailing before purchase.

Is Celebrity Cruises Right for You?

Celebrity is strongest when the traveler values the onboard environment as much as the itinerary.

You may love Celebrity if...	Think carefully if...
You want a modern, polished ship with strong dining and adult-oriented spaces.	Your priority is nonstop waterslides, ropes courses, bumper cars or a theme-park-at-sea atmosphere.
You like destination-focused itineraries and comfortable sea days.	You want the broadest possible lineup of high-energy attractions for younger children.
You appreciate good food, cocktails, design, service and quieter relaxation.	You are choosing only by base fare and may be frustrated by optional extras.
You are a couple, group of friends, multigenerational family or family with kids who do not need constant attractions.	You need identical amenities on every ship; experiences vary meaningfully by ship class.
You want a premium experience without moving all the way into a small-ship luxury product.	You expect every restaurant, drink, Wi-Fi tier and excursion to be included in the standard cruise fare.

Who we especially like it for

Couples: excellent for food, wine, spa time and destination-rich itineraries.

Multigenerational groups: enough variety to separate during the day and reconnect for dinner without feeling chaotic.

Families with older children or teens: Camp at Sea and teen programming are available, while the overall ship still feels grown-up.

Celebration travel: anniversaries, milestone birthdays and family trips work well when the room category and dining plan are chosen intentionally.

First-time premium cruisers: a good bridge between mainstream cruising and a more elevated vacation style.

Not a "kids-free" cruise line

Celebrity welcomes families and operates Camp at Sea youth programming. It simply does not build its identity around large-scale family attractions in the same way some other cruise brands do.

Current-info note: Celebrity says its fleet sails to nearly 300 destinations across 70+ countries and promotes both adult-focused spaces and Camp at Sea family programming.

DECISION 1

Choose Your Destination

Start with what you want to experience ashore, then choose the ship serving it.

Region	Best for	Planning note
Caribbean & Bahamas	Warm-weather escapes, easy logistics, beach days, shorter and longer sailings.	Great first Celebrity cruise; compare port mix and sea-day balance.
Alaska	Scenery, wildlife, glaciers, multigenerational travel.	Balcony value rises; plan layered clothing and excursions early.
Mediterranean & Greek Isles	History, food, architecture, port-intensive touring.	Expect early mornings and long days ashore; pre/post hotel nights are valuable.
Northern Europe & Iceland	Fjords, dramatic scenery, cooler weather, culture.	Pack for variable weather; itinerary and daylight hours matter.
Asia	Food, culture, longer-haul travel, immersive itineraries.	Build in arrival time for jet lag and visas/entry requirements.
Australia, New Zealand & Pacific	Scenery, cities, wildlife and longer vacations.	Air planning matters as much as the cruise itself.
South America & Antarctica itineraries	Scenery, culture and bucket-list travel.	Read the itinerary carefully: an Antarctica cruise may be scenic cruising rather than an expedition landing product.
Galapagos	Wildlife and expedition-style exploration.	Celebrity Flora is a distinct, all-suite Galapagos product; package rules differ from the ocean fleet.

Departure-port strategy

Arrive at least one day before embarkation for domestic cruises; two or more nights can be wise for international departures. Do not pair a tight same-day flight with a port transfer when weather, customs or traffic can derail the trip. For Europe and Asia, treat the embarkation city as part of the vacation rather than an airport transfer point.

7220 Travel planning question

Would you rather have a ship that is the destination, or a cruise where the ship is a comfortable base for long days ashore? That answer often narrows the right region and ship class quickly.

Current-info note: Current Celebrity destination categories include Alaska, Caribbean, Europe, Africa, Asia, Australia/New Zealand/Pacific, Central America, East Coast/Bermuda, Galapagos, Mexican Riviera, South America/Antarctica and West Coast.

DECISION 2

Know the Celebrity Fleet

Three core ocean ship series create distinctly different vacation styles.

Ship series	Ships sailing/ marketed in 2026	Personality
Edge Series	Celebrity Edge, Apex, Beyond, Ascent, Xcel	Newest design language; Magic Carpet; Infinite Veranda on many categories; four main restaurants; large, contemporary public spaces.
Solstice Series	Solstice, Eclipse, Equinox, Silhouette, Reflection	Classic Celebrity feel; real-balcony options; Lawn Club on the series; comfortable mid-to-large premium ships.
Millennium Series	Millennium, Infinity, Summit, Constellation	Smaller footprint, easier navigation, often attractive for itinerary-first travelers and travelers who prefer a more intimate ship.
Galapagos	Celebrity Flora	Purpose-built, all-suite expedition-style Galapagos product; treat separately from the mainstream fleet.

What is coming next?

Celebrity Xcite has been announced for 2028 as the next Edge Series ship. Celebrity River Cruises begins separately in August 2027 on the Rhine and Danube; its inclusions and ship design are different enough that it deserves its own planning guide.

Do not automatically choose the newest ship

A newer Edge Series ship may be perfect for a resort-style vacation. A Solstice or Millennium Series sailing may be the better match when itinerary, traditional balcony design, ship size or price matters more.

Fast ship-selection filter

Choose Edge Series if: you want Celebrity's newest spaces, four-main-restaurant concept and contemporary design.

Choose Solstice Series if: you want a classic Celebrity experience with a broad mix of venues and traditional veranda options.

Choose Millennium Series if: you value itinerary, smaller-ship feel and easier movement around the vessel.

Choose Flora if: Galapagos itself is the goal and you want Celebrity's purpose-built expedition-style product.

Current-info note: Celebrity Cruises fleet page, Edge Series page and 2026-2027 deployment information, checked September 2026.

SHIP SPOTLIGHT

Edge Series

Celebrity Edge, Apex, Beyond, Ascent and Xcel.

Edge Series is Celebrity's modern flagship family of ships. The design emphasizes outward-facing spaces, contemporary architecture, destination views and a dining system that replaces one giant main dining room with four complimentary main restaurants on the series.

Magic Carpet

A cantilevered platform that changes function depending on deck and time of day; it is one of the most recognizable Edge Series features.

Infinite Veranda

On many categories, the balcony area is integrated into the room and opens through a powered window rather than a traditional exterior balcony door.

Rooftop / resort spaces

Open-air areas are designed for lounging, dining, entertainment and sea views rather than thrill attractions.

Four main restaurants

Cosmopolitan, Normandie, Tuscan and Cyprus concepts vary by ship, with assigned or flexible Celebrity Select Dining options.

The Retreat

Edge Series provides a particularly developed suite enclave with dedicated lounge/sundeck spaces and Luminae dining.

Celebrity Xcel

The newest current Edge Series ship, adding new concepts while retaining the core Edge design language.

Who should look hardest at Edge Series?

Travelers who care about design and contemporary public spaces.

Couples and groups who want multiple dining environments without needing specialty dining every night.

Travelers who enjoy sea days and want the ship itself to feel like part of the vacation.

Families who prefer a refined ship atmosphere over attraction-heavy cruising.

Infinite Veranda warning

Some travelers love the extra interior space and big window; others strongly prefer a conventional balcony where one person can sit outside while the room remains fully enclosed. Know which camp you are in before booking.

Current-info note: *Celebrity Edge Series and ship dining pages, checked September 2026.*

Solstice & Millennium Series

Two excellent choices when itinerary, classic balcony design or ship size matter more than newest-ship status.

Solstice Series

Solstice, Eclipse, Equinox, Silhouette and Reflection deliver what many repeat Celebrity guests think of as the classic premium Celebrity experience: elegant public rooms, traditional veranda staterooms, multiple specialty restaurants, pools and adult relaxation spaces.

Good fit: couples, multigenerational groups, destination-heavy itineraries and travelers who prefer a conventional balcony.

Watch for: venue mixes and refurbishment history vary by ship, so compare the actual ship rather than assuming the series is identical.

AquaClass: includes Blu and access to the Persian Garden rather than the Edge Series SEA Thermal Suite.

Millennium Series

Millennium, Infinity, Summit and Constellation are smaller than the newest Edge Series ships. Their scale can be an advantage: shorter walks, a more intimate feel and excellent access to itinerary-driven deployments.

Good fit: travelers who prioritize ports, ship ease and a quieter premium atmosphere.

Watch for: fewer flashy "wow" spaces than the newest ships; choose them because the total trip fits you, not because you want the newest hardware.

AquaClass: also includes Blu and Persian Garden access.

For multigenerational groups

Smaller is not automatically worse. If grandparents value shorter walks and parents value itinerary while teens mainly need a pool, Wi-Fi and youth programming, a Millennium or Solstice Series ship can be a very smart match.

Current-info note: Celebrity fleet and AquaClass information, checked September 2026.

DECISION 3

Choose the Right Stateroom

The room decision is about sleep, privacy, outdoor space, location and included experiences - not just square footage.

Category	Best for	Main trade-off
Inside	Lowest entry price; sleepers who spend little time in the room.	No natural light or ocean view.
Ocean View	Natural light without paying for balcony space.	No private outdoor area.
Veranda / Infinite Veranda	Couples, scenic itineraries, private ocean access.	Traditional and Infinite Verandas feel very different.
Concierge Class	Guests who value small service touches and preferred assistance.	Price premium may exceed the value if you will not use the perks.
AquaClass	Spa-minded travelers and guests who value Blu dining.	Best value depends on how much you value thermal-suite access and Blu.
The Retreat suites	Travelers seeking a materially upgraded ship-within-a-ship experience.	Large price step; suite benefits vary by suite type and fare conditions.

Room-location checklist

Check what is directly above, below and across the hall.

Midship/lower decks can reduce perceived motion, but exact ship design matters.

Families should confirm bed configuration and occupancy before assuming a room sleeps everyone comfortably.

Connecting rooms can be more practical than one large room for multigenerational privacy.

For Alaska, Norway and scenic itineraries, private outdoor access can be worth more than on a highly port-intensive Mediterranean sailing.

Do not book by category name alone

Two rooms in the same broad category can have different locations, obstructions, layouts or balcony configurations. Choose the actual stateroom whenever possible.

Current-info note: Celebrity accommodations pages describe Inside, Ocean View, Veranda, Single, Concierge Class, AquaClass and The Retreat categories.

UPGRADE CHOICES

Concierge Class vs. AquaClass

Two different upgrades - one service-oriented, one wellness/dining-oriented.

Feature	Concierge Class	AquaClass
Core idea	Enhanced services, small amenities and concierge access.	Spa-inspired room experience plus exclusive Blu dining.
Dining	Welcome Aboard Concierge Class lunch; dining-time preference subject to availability.	Complimentary dining at Blu.
Wellness access	Standard spa access unless separately purchased.	SEA Thermal Suite on Edge Series; Persian Garden on Solstice/Millennium Series.
Service	Personalized concierge; destination seminar and select events.	Spa concierge plus wellness-oriented amenities.
Best for	Traveler who values service touches but does not need suite-level benefits.	Traveler who would otherwise pay for thermal access and likes the Blu dining concept.

Concierge Class highlights

Exclusive Welcome Aboard Concierge Class lunch.
Personalized concierge service and an exclusive destination seminar.
Sparkling wine upon request, daily small bites and pillow selection.

AquaClass highlights

Blu, an exclusive restaurant for AquaClass guests.
Unlimited thermal-suite/Persian Garden access appropriate to the ship series.
Spa concierge, complimentary fitness benefit(s), water service and wellness-focused touches.

Which upgrade wins?

If you keep thinking about Blu and the thermal suite, price AquaClass. If you mainly want a better-located veranda with useful service touches, compare Concierge Class. If neither matters, a well-located standard veranda may be the smarter spend.

Current-info note: Celebrity Concierge Class and AquaClass pages, checked September 2026.

SUITE EXPERIENCE

The Retreat

Celebrity's suite experience is much more than a larger room.

All suites are part of The Retreat, which combines suite accommodations with exclusive dining, lounge access and personalized service. The exact benefits and spaces depend on ship and suite category, so read the fare and suite details carefully.

Luminae

Private restaurant for The Retreat guests, with menus not served in the standard main dining rooms.

Retreat Sundeck

Available on Edge Series and revolutionized ships; a dedicated outdoor suite-guest space.

Premium drinks & Wi-Fi

The Retreat includes Premium Drinks and Premium Wi-Fi under current program rules, subject to fare conditions.

Retreat Lounge

Dedicated lounge (or Michael's Club on some ships) with concierge-style service and a quieter place to relax.

Butler / Retreat team

Personalized service for reservations, in-suite requests and other vacation details.

Higher-suite extras

Royal Suite and above can add benefits such as unlimited specialty dining and expanded minibar/amenity offerings.

Who gets the most value?

Travelers who plan to spend meaningful time on the ship rather than using the room only to sleep.

Celebration travelers who want a noticeable service and dining upgrade.

Guests who would already purchase Premium Wi-Fi, Premium Drinks and specialty dining.

Multigenerational groups where a suite can serve as a gathering place - while still checking occupancy and connecting-room alternatives.

Compare the whole package

The Retreat price can look dramatic beside a veranda fare. Compare the *net* difference after assigning realistic value to included Premium Drinks, Premium Wi-Fi, Luminae, suite-only spaces and any higher-suite dining benefits you would actually use.

Current-info note: Celebrity The Retreat pages and FAQs, checked September 2026. Some premium suite benefits are limited to specific suite categories or fare types.

DECISION 4

What Is Included - and What Is Not?

Understanding the baseline keeps the onboard bill from becoming the surprise souvenir.

Usually included in cruise fare	Usually extra unless your fare/package includes it
Stateroom accommodation and housekeeping	Alcoholic beverages and many premium non-alcoholic drinks
Main dining and a range of complimentary casual dining	Specialty dining
Select coffee/tea, water, lemonade and iced tea	Premium coffee, bottled water, sodas and many juices unless packaged
Production shows, live entertainment and many activities	Casino play, spa treatments, salon services and retail
Pools, fitness center and many public spaces	Shore excursions and private transportation
Camp at Sea youth programming in its standard form	Babysitting/paid activities where offered; verify your sailing
Port-to-port transportation aboard the ship	Onboard staff gratuities unless separately included by a promotion/fare

All Included

For eligible Inside through AquaClass staterooms, Celebrity currently offers an All Included pricing option at booking that bundles the Classic Drink Package and unlimited Basic Wi-Fi. All guests in the stateroom must select the same pricing structure. The current program excludes Galapagos. Onboard staff gratuities are charged separately.

Important booking detail

Celebrity states that All Included is selected at the time of booking and cannot simply be added later as the same fare product. If you want it, compare it before confirming your reservation.

Current-info note: *Celebrity All Included page and FAQs, checked September 2026.*

PACKAGES

Drinks & Wi-Fi

Packages are convenience tools. They are only a value if they match how you travel.

Package	Current headline coverage	Think about...
Classic Drink Package	Drinks up to \$12 per serving on U.S.-priced sailings; 15% bottle-wine discount.	Coffee, water, cocktails, wine/beer habits and port days.
Premium Drink Package	Drinks up to \$19 per serving on U.S.-priced sailings; 20% bottle-wine discount.	Premium spirits/wine, premium water, specialty beverages and the upgrade gap.
Non-Alcoholic	Premium bottled waters, specialty coffees/teas, energy drinks, smoothies, zero-proof cocktails and more.	Useful for teens, non-drinkers and coffee/water-heavy travelers.
Basic Wi-Fi	Light browsing and messaging; not intended for streaming/video calls.	Included with All Included; check whether your needs exceed it.
Premium Wi-Fi	Higher capability, including streaming where ship/service supports it.	Remote work, video calls, photo/video uploads and multiple-device habits.

Package math prompts

How many port days will you spend mostly off the ship?

Would you buy specialty coffee and bottled water even if you skipped alcohol?

Do both adults in the room want the same beverage level? Celebrity generally requires the package across adults of legal drinking age when one purchases.

Will you need video calls or streaming, or is messaging/light browsing enough?

Compare pre-cruise Cruise Planner offers; onboard prices and promotions can differ.

Price ceilings are not universal worldwide

Celebrity currently lists different drink thresholds for some UK/Australia sailings. Treat \$12/\$19 as the U.S. guidepost, not a promise for every market or itinerary.

Current-info note: *Celebrity Beverage Packages and Internet/Wi-Fi FAQs, checked September 2026.*

DECISION 5

Dining on Celebrity

Dining is one of the strongest reasons to choose Celebrity - but the exact restaurant lineup depends on the ship.

Complimentary dining

Main dining: Edge Series uses four complimentary main restaurants; other ships generally use the more traditional main-dining-room format.

Oceanview Cafe: marketplace/buffet-style casual option across the fleet.

Mast Grill / casual venues: useful for quick meals around pool and activity time.

Blu: complimentary exclusive dining for AquaClass guests.

Luminae: exclusive private restaurant for The Retreat guests.

Specialty dining

Specialty venues vary by ship and may include concepts such as Eden, Fine Cut Steakhouse, Le Voyage, Le Petit Chef, Murano, Tuscan Grille, Raw on 5 and others. Do not assume the restaurant you saw on social media exists on your ship.

If you care most about...	Planning approach
Trying the most restaurants	Choose a ship with the venue mix you want, then price a dining package versus individual reservations.
AquaClass / wellness dining	Blu may reduce your need for paid specialty dinners.
Suite dining	Luminae is a major part of The Retreat value; Royal Suite and higher may include expanded specialty-dining benefits.
Celebration dinner	Reserve your highest-priority specialty venue early and do not count on a prime time remaining onboard.
Flexibility	Celebrity Select Dining can work well, but preferred times still become popular on full sailings.

Food-budget trick

Decide in advance which meals are *experiences* and which are simply meals. Paying for every specialty venue because it exists can erase the value of Celebrity's strong included dining.

Current-info note: Celebrity dining and ship-specific restaurant pages, checked September 2026.

Celebrity With Kids & Multigenerational Groups

Celebrity can work very well for families when the adults do not need the ship to function like an amusement park.

Camp at Sea age groups

Program	Ages	What to know
Shipmates	3-5	Age-appropriate supervised activities; children must meet program requirements.
Cadets	6-9	Games, creative activities, learning and social time.
Captains	10-12	Older-child programming with more independence and group activities.
Teens	13-17	Dedicated teen-focused experiences and social opportunities.

Why multigenerational groups can work

Adults can split into spa, pool, enrichment, dining and shore-excursion interests without needing everyone together all day.

Ages can reconnect for dinner, shows and port days.

Connecting staterooms or nearby rooms often create better privacy than squeezing everyone into one cabin.

Older relatives may appreciate Millennium/Solstice Series scale, while younger adults may prefer Edge Series design.

Choose excursions by mobility and stamina, not by whether the whole family technically can do them.

Family expectation check

If the children will judge the vacation mainly by waterslides, surf simulators or large thrill attractions, another brand may fit better. If the family values ports, pools, good meals, youth programming and time together, Celebrity can be an excellent match.

Current-info note: *Celebrity Camp at Sea currently lists Shipmates 3-5, Cadets 6-9, Captains 10-12 and teen programming 13-17 on the ocean fleet; Galapagos/river products differ.*

Sea Days, Entertainment & Shore Excursions

The best Celebrity vacations balance doing things with enjoying the ship.

Onboard rhythm

Morning

Coffee, breakfast, fitness, spa time, enrichment or a quiet deck walk.

Evening

Dinner, theater production, live music, lounges, casino or simply a drink with a view.

Afternoon

Pool, Solarium, lawn/rooftop spaces, games, tastings, spa or a long lunch.

Sea-day mindset

Do not overschedule. Premium cruising works best when some time is deliberately left open.

Shore excursions: ship vs. independent

Ship excursion	Independent / private excursion
Simple booking and ship-linked logistics.	Potentially smaller groups and more customization.
Useful for tender ports, long distances and timing-sensitive tours.	Can offer better pace for families or mobility needs.
Usually higher structure and less flexibility.	Requires stronger attention to return time and operator reliability.
Cruise-line terms apply.	You are responsible for evaluating the provider and getting back to the ship on time.

The port-day question

What would disappoint you more: missing the one experience you crossed an ocean to see, or paying a little more for a well-planned excursion? Reserve truly important experiences first and fill the rest later.

Current-info note: Entertainment and excursion offerings vary by ship and itinerary. Verify the Cruise Planner for your exact sailing.

Budget Planner + Cruise Planning Timeline

A cruise fare is the starting number, not the trip total.

Budget category	Estimated	Booked / paid
Cruise fare + taxes/fees	\$ _____	\$ _____
Gratuities	\$ _____	\$ _____
Flights	\$ _____	\$ _____
Pre/post-cruise hotels	\$ _____	\$ _____
Transfers / parking	\$ _____	\$ _____
Drinks / All Included upgrade	\$ _____	\$ _____
Specialty dining	\$ _____	\$ _____
Shore excursions	\$ _____	\$ _____
Travel insurance	\$ _____	\$ _____
Spa / shopping / extras	\$ _____	\$ _____

Planning timeline

12-18+ months: ideal for high-demand suites, Alaska, Europe, holiday sailings and larger family groups.

6-12 months: lock flights when sensible, pre/post hotels, passports and high-priority excursions.

3-6 months: review Cruise Planner offers; reserve specialty dining, spa and excursions you care about most.

30-90 days: complete check-in as available, confirm transfers, travel documents, medications and insurance details.

Final week: download/update the Celebrity app, organize carry-on essentials, luggage tags and a printed/digital backup of documents.

Promotion trap to avoid

A percentage-off banner does not tell you whether the cruise is a good value. Compare the final price for the exact ship, room, fare type and extras you want.

Embarkation & Disembarkation

Two days that can feel easy - or unnecessarily stressful - depending on the plan.

Embarkation day

Arrive in the embarkation city early enough to absorb airline or weather problems.

Keep passports/IDs, medication, valuables, chargers, swimsuit, sunscreen and anything needed that afternoon in your carry-on.

Complete online check-in and follow your assigned/available arrival guidance.

Once onboard: confirm dining, excursion and spa reservations; learn the muster/safety process; then stop doing paperwork and enjoy the ship.

Disembarkation day

Review the night-before luggage instructions and keep travel clothes, medications and documents with you.

Do not book a flight solely because the airport looks close on a map. Customs, traffic and ship clearance can change the timeline.

If using self-assist luggage, be honest about whether everyone in your group can manage all bags safely.

Build extra time for international airports and airports requiring long transfers from the cruise port.

The one-night hotel rule

For most cruises, arriving at least one night before sailing is inexpensive insurance against missing a vacation that will not wait for a delayed flight.

Carry-on mini checklist

Documents	Comfort	First afternoon
Passport/ID, cruise docs, insurance, payment cards	Medication, glasses, chargers, valuables	Swimsuit, sunscreen, hat, light layer
Emergency contacts, transfer info	Basic toiletries, change of clothes	Anything children need before checked bags arrive

CHECKLIST

Celebrity Cruise Packing List

Pack for the itinerary first, the ship second, and social-media photos last.

Documents & money	Clothing	Cabin / tech
☐ Passport / ID ☐ Cruise documents ☐ Insurance info ☐ Credit card + backup ☐ Small amount of cash	☐ Daywear ☐ Evening outfits ☐ Swimwear / cover-up ☐ Workout clothes ☐ Light sweater / layer	☐ Phone + charger ☐ Portable battery ☐ Headphones ☐ Watch / alarm ☐ Approved plug/USB solution
☐ Driver license if needed ☐ Copies/backups ☐ Medical info ☐ Excursion confirmations	☐ Walking shoes ☐ Sandals ☐ Port-specific outerwear ☐ Hat / sun protection ☐ Evening Chic option	☐ Camera / memory cards ☐ E-reader ☐ Luggage tracker ☐ Small day bag ☐ Reusable water bottle

Health, family & port-day items

Prescription medication in original/appropriate packaging plus extras for delays.

Motion-sickness strategy discussed with your medical professional if needed.

Sunscreen, lip balm, sunglasses and insect repellent appropriate to destination.

For Alaska/Northern Europe: waterproof outer layer, warm mid-layer, hat/gloves as season requires.

For Europe/Asia: comfortable walking shoes and clothing appropriate for cultural/religious sites.

For children: comfort item, headphones, simple entertainment and a small day bag they can manage.

Pack less eveningwear than you think

Celebrity's atmosphere can feel polished without requiring a suitcase full of formal clothing. Build a few versatile evening outfits and re-wear strategically.

Before sailing, always review Celebrity's current prohibited-items and alcohol/beverage policies. Rules can change and vary by port.

Captain's Club + Questions to Ask Before Booking

Loyalty matters, but the right cruise still matters more than chasing points.

Tier	Current points
Preview	0
Classic	2-149
Select	150-299
Elite	300-749
Elite Plus	750-2,999
Zenith	3,000+

Captain's Club points are earned by room category and nights sailed. Current ocean-cruise earning starts at 2 points per night for Inside/Ocean View, 3 for Veranda/Infinite Veranda and 5 for Concierge Class/AquaClass, with higher suite categories earning more. Celebrity also currently offers tier matching across Royal Caribbean Group brands under its published program rules.

Ten questions before you book

#	Question
1	Which destination experience is non-negotiable?
2	How many sea days do we actually enjoy?
3	Do we want a traditional balcony or are we comfortable with an Infinite Veranda?
4	Would we use Blu enough to justify AquaClass?
5	Would suite-only spaces change the vacation enough to justify The Retreat?
6	Do Classic Drinks + Basic Wi-Fi make All Included a better total value?
7	Which specialty restaurants are must-dos on this specific ship?
8	Does everyone in the group have similar mobility and excursion stamina?
9	What pre/post-cruise hotel nights reduce travel risk?
10	What is the *real* trip budget after airfare, gratuities, excursions and extras?

Current-info note: Captain's Club tiers and earning chart checked September 2026; benefits are subject to change and can vary by sailing/ship.

YOUR NEXT STEP

Let 7220 Travel Help Match the Cruise to You

A cruise should fit the people taking it - not the other way around.

The easiest way to make a Celebrity vacation disappointing is to book the right cruise line with the wrong ship, wrong room, wrong itinerary or wrong expectations. A little more work before the deposit can prevent a lot of second-guessing after final payment.

Planning conversation

What would have to happen on this vacation for everyone to come home and say, "That was worth it"? Start there. Then we can build the ship, room, itinerary and budget around the answer.

7220 Travel Celebrity planning checklist

- ☐ Traveler names and ages exactly as travel documents show
- ☐ Preferred dates and flexibility
- ☐ Departure airport and acceptable flight schedule
- ☐ Top three destination experiences
- ☐ Ship atmosphere: newest/modern vs. smaller/classic
- ☐ Stateroom priorities: budget, balcony, location, connecting rooms, spa or suite
- ☐ Dining priorities and dietary considerations
- ☐ Drink/Wi-Fi habits
- ☐ Mobility/accessibility considerations
- ☐ Pre/post-cruise hotel and transfer needs
- ☐ Travel insurance discussion
- ☐ Total vacation budget target

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