

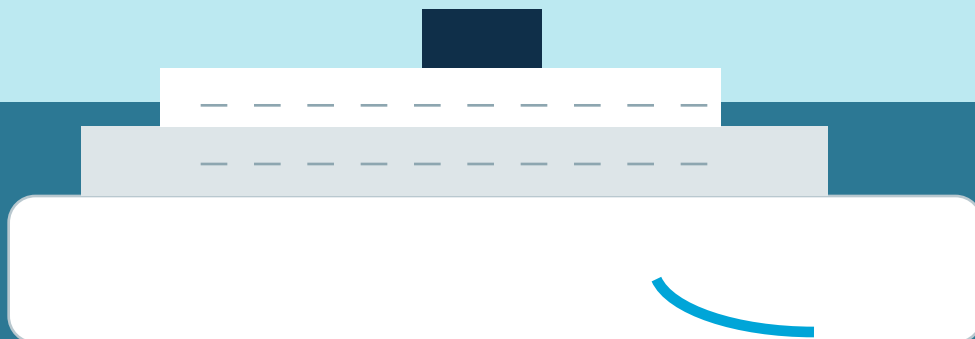


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GUIDE 1 | NORWEGIAN CRUISE LINE

Choosing Your NCL Destination

START WITH THE EXPERIENCE - NOT THE SHIP

A family-first framework for deciding between Caribbean beaches, Alaska scenery, Europe, Hawaii, Bermuda and beyond.

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Start With What You Want to Feel

Destination should answer the vacation question before the ship answers the entertainment question.

PICK THE VACATION STYLE FIRST

Beach & easy: Caribbean/Bahamas. Scenery & wildlife: Alaska. Culture & food: Europe/Mediterranean. Immersive island time: Hawaii. Longer island stays: Bermuda. Fall scenery: Canada & New England. Big adventure: Asia, Australia/New Zealand, South America or Extraordinary Journeys.

MATCH THE PACE

Port-intensive itineraries reward travelers who want to explore most days. Sea-day-heavy itineraries are better when the ship itself is a major part of the vacation. For multigenerational groups, balance activity days with recovery time.

THINK SEASONALLY

Alaska is highly seasonal; Caribbean weather varies by time of year; Europe can be hot and crowded in peak summer; Canada/New England shines in fall. Price is only one part of the decision.

7220 TRAVEL QUESTION

When your family talks about this vacation five years from now, what do you hope they remember most? That answer often narrows the destination faster than scrolling through hundreds of sailings.

7220 TRAVEL DECISION FILTER

If this choice makes the trip easier for the people taking it, it is probably the right direction.

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Your Planning Checklist

Use this page to make the decision before the cruise makes it for you.

CHECK WHAT MATTERS TO YOUR TRIP

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| ☐ Warm weather matters | ☐ Wildlife/scenery matters |
| ☐ Food/culture matters | ☐ We want lots of port days |
| ☐ We want more sea days | ☐ We need kid-friendly beaches |
| ☐ We want cooler weather | ☐ We want a bucket-list trip |
| ☐ We prefer shorter flights | ☐ We are open to international flights |
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FAMILY / GROUP WORKSHEET

Our top 3 destination experiences:

How many sea days feels right?:

Longest flight we are comfortable with:

Our ideal month / school-break window:

ONE MORE QUESTION

What part of this decision is creating the most uncertainty? That is usually the part worth solving before you book.

Final Check & Current Sources

Save this page with your cruise notes and recheck live details before travel.

THE 7220 TRAVEL FINAL CHECK

- ☐ The choice fits the people traveling
- ☐ The total trip cost has been considered
- ☐ Travel documents are understood
- ☐ Critical reservations are on the calendar
- ☐ We have a backup plan for delays / weather
- ☐ The family knows what matters most
- ☐ We have permission to change the plan

VERIFY BEFORE TRAVEL

NCL can change itineraries, venues, policies, package details, age rules, reservation windows and onboard offerings. Use My NCL, the NCL app and NCL.com for the final live details.

CURRENT INFORMATION SOURCES

[NCL 2026-2027 destinations](#)

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Ready to match the cruise to your family?

7220 Travel can help narrow the choices and build the full trip around you.

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