

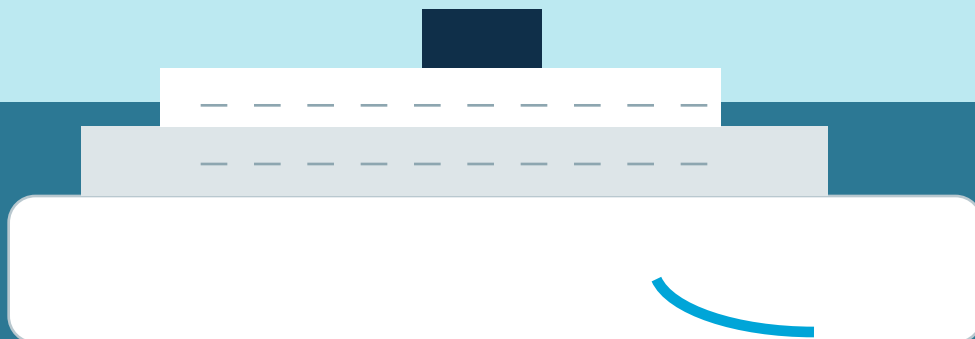


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7220 TRAVEL

GUIDE 10 | NORWEGIAN CRUISE LINE

Embarkation Day & Your First 24 Hours

START ORGANIZED SO THE CRUISE FEELS LIKE VACATION SOONER

From terminal arrival and carry-on essentials to lunch, reservations, muster information and the first evening onboard.

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Embarkation Day Has a Rhythm

The goal is not to be first at everything. The goal is to board with the right documents, the right bag and a calm first-day plan.

FOLLOW YOUR EDOCS

NCL assigns embarkation / arrival guidance through eDocs. Do not assume earlier is better; terminal access can be restricted. Complete online check-in before the cutoff and keep eDocs available offline.

KEEP ESSENTIALS WITH YOU

Your checked bags may arrive later. Carry medications, documents, valuables, chargers, sunscreen, swimsuit and anything you need before dinner.

FIRST 90 MINUTES

Connect to the ship Wi-Fi for the NCL app, confirm high-priority dining or entertainment, find youth-program registration if needed, learn your muster process, then eat. You do not need to explore every deck before your room is ready.

FIRST-DAY WIN

A good embarkation day is not measured by how much you accomplish. It is measured by how quickly everyone stops feeling like they are in transit.

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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| ☐ eDocs saved offline | ☐ IDs/passports in carry-on |
| ☐ Credit card ready | ☐ Medication in carry-on |
| ☐ Swimsuit / sunscreen | ☐ NCL app installed |
| ☐ Dining confirmed | ☐ Kids club located |
| ☐ Muster info understood | ☐ Phone set to ship-time awareness |
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FAMILY / GROUP WORKSHEET

Our boarding-day arrival plan:

First meal onboard:

First-night reservation:

Where the family meets if separated:

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 departure day](#)

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

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