

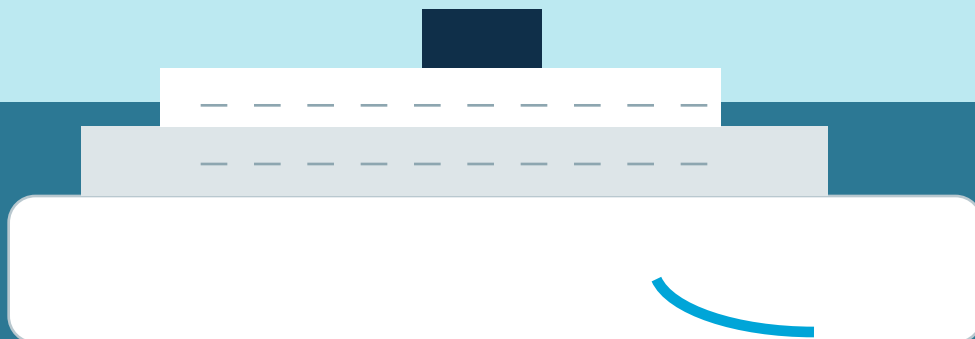


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7220 TRAVEL

GUIDE 9 | NORWEGIAN CRUISE LINE

NCL With Kids & Multigenerational Families

PLAN TOGETHER - THEN GIVE EVERYONE ROOM TO VACATION DIFFERENTLY

Youth programs, family stateroom strategy, sea-day pacing and the small decisions that help kids, parents and grandparents enjoy the same cruise.

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Together Does Not Mean Together All Day

Cruising works well for multigenerational families because people can separate by interest and reconnect for meals, shows and port adventures.

YOUTH PROGRAMS

NCL currently offers complimentary Splash Academy for ages 3-12 and Entourage for ages 13-17 on participating ships. Registration is onboard and capacity can be first come, first served. Norwegian Spirit does not currently offer youth programs.

ROOM STRATEGY

Connecting rooms, family categories and nearby cabins can provide a better balance than squeezing everyone into one larger room. Put mobility needs and bedtime schedules ahead of the “best view.”

PROTECT RECOVERY TIME

Kids and grandparents may not want the same pace. Build optional afternoons, pool time and early nights into port-heavy itineraries. A cruise should not become a seven-day family field trip.

FAMILY RULE

Give each generation permission to skip something. The best multigenerational trips usually have a few anchor moments together and plenty of freedom in between.

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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|---|--|
| ☐ Youth club ages checked | ☐ Registration plan |
| ☐ Connecting / nearby rooms | ☐ Grandparent mobility needs |
| ☐ Nap / quiet time protected | ☐ Family dinner nights selected |
| ☐ Kid-friendly excursions | ☐ Adult-only time planned |
| ☐ Family meeting point | |
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FAMILY / GROUP WORKSHEET

One must-do for kids:

One must-do for adults:

One must-do for grandparents:

Our shared family anchor moments:

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 youth programs](#)

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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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