



If you haven't done so, your first step is to create an account with Royal Caribbean.

Visit: <https://www.royalcaribbean.com/account/create>

Log into your account and add your existing reservation to your My Cruises Account.

Visit: <https://www.royalcaribbean.com/account/signin>

**Your reservation number can be found on your Royal Caribbean Confirmation*

Once logged in, you'll have access to all the details of your sailing. If your cruise is not for some time don't worry if your options are limited. More things will be added.

Keep in mind you absolutely do not have to pre-book everything immediately after booking your cruise (unless you are leaving in 2 weeks!), but it's a great idea to get a feel for what is available in the cruise planner. Often, you'll find something you didn't know you could pre-plan!

Dining Main Dining Room

You are booked in either Traditional (set dining time) or My Time Dining. For Traditional dining, you don't have anything to pre-book.

For My Time Dining:

Technically you can arrive at the main dining room each evening whenever you'd like, but to avoid a line you can book a reservation for a specific time. It's a good idea to at

least to hold a reservation time, and then you can change once onboard.

Royal Caribbean ships have a variety of specialty dining restaurants. These include Italian restaurants, steak houses and hibachi to name a few. There is an upcharge for these restaurants.

Specialty Dining

You can book and pay for individual reservations at these restaurants through the cruise planner.

You can also pre-purchase dining packages. These are discounted multi-night packages for specialty restaurants. You will buy the package online and booking your reservations once onboard.

Prices for these packages differ per sailing and can be booked online via the cruise planner. You can bundle with internet for a savings. These CAN be canceled up to 3 days before sailing.

Beverage Packages

- Deluxe Package
- Refreshment Package
- Soda Package
- Café Select Package

From time to time, they will go on sale (such as holidays and Black Friday). If you've booked a package and it goes on sale, you can cancel and rebook. Book when you can to avoid price increases. These will always be priced less than purchasing once onboard.

Technically you can share an internet log in, however, only one device can be connected per pin at a time. You'll need to purchase multiple packages if multiple people want to use the internet at the same time.

Internet

The Royal app (*introduced below*) does have limited usability without an internet package including accessing dining reservations, browsing daily activities, exploring deck plans and more. No web surfing is offered with the app.

Entertainment / Shows

On certain class of ships (*Oasis and Quantum*) you'll be able to pre-book some of the entertainment shows. When they come online can change, but currently we are seeing them at 30 days before sailing. Keep an eye on the planner for them to open.

Let me know if you are unsure if you are sailing on an Oasis or Quantum class.

Excursions

It's a good idea to explore what Royal Caribbean is offering for excursions. Not only do you get a general idea of what each port has to offer, but it may identify those activities that are only offered in any other port and something you don't want to miss.

While Royal Caribbean does offer some great excursions, I also recommend some local tour companies in a few ports. You can view the options at this site. Click on Shore Excursions and enter your sailing.

[Shore Excursion Options](#)

Online Check In

Online check-in is available via the web or app. Currently online check-in becomes available 45 days before sailing.

When completing online check in, you'll need your passports and credit card available.

Currently, Royal Caribbean is assigning boarding times. Your boarding time is selected when you do your online check in. To ensure you get an early boarding time, you'll want to check in as close to 45 days in advance as possible.

TIP: If you don't want to go through the entire process of checking in at 45 days out but don't want to miss out on an early board time, you can use the app to select only the boarding time for your group. This does not work on the desktop version, but will on the app. You can then complete the remaining items in the online check in later.



In addition to the online cruise planner, it's a great idea to download the Royal Caribbean app.

Visit: <https://www.royalcaribbean.com/booked/royal-app>

Before you sail, the app doesn't provide much information, but it will be very useful once on the ship.

You'll be able to connect for free to the Royal Wi-Fi to use the app while sailing. Within the app while you are sailing you can book reservations, see what's happening on the ship, see deck plans and more.