



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.

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

You can also purchase dining packages. These are discounted multi-night packages for specialty restaurants. While you buy the package online, these reservations are not confirmed with the restaurants until you board the ship.

These are available to book online. You can bundle with internet for a savings. These CAN be canceled up to 3 days before sailing.

Beverage Packages

From time to time, they will go on sale (such as holidays and Black Friday). If you've booked a package and they go on sale you can cancel and rebook. The benefit to booking and watching for a sale is to ensure you are not affected if the price ever were to increase.

If you book the beverage package, feel free to let me know to keep my eyes open for a sale.

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 not require the purchase of Royal Caribbean's internet to use. However, the app's use will be limited to the functions of the app such as 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. These generally open 90-75 days before sailing, but I've seen them as late as 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. I'd be happy to discuss the difference and explore some local options.

Online Check In

Online check-in is available via the web or app between 90 and 3 days before sailing.

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

While not required, online check-in will help with:

- Less time in lines at the pier when you arrive. You'll get on the ship quicker.
 - Proper travel documents. It's a forced check to make sure you know where your required documents are, that the names match the reservation, and that nothing has expired.
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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.



Happy Planning!!