



Mediterranean Cruise Travel Guide

Traveling To & From

Airport Procedures – Be sure to check in for your flights about 24 hours prior to travel through the online app or website

Arrival Procedures – At customs, your passport will be verified, and you'll be asked about your reason for travel – for vacation and leisure, of course!

Bring some extra things in your carry-on just in case. Bring any essentials for a couple days, if needed, in your carry on.

Cruise Personalizer app

About 2-3 months before your cruise, create an account with your cruise line's personalizer app and enter your reservation number found on your itinerary.

Consider adding pre-paid, gratuities, beverage packages, Wi-Fi, and excursions now. If your sailing offer included sailing perks this is when you take advantage of those. From here you can also print your boarding passes and luggage tags (for cruise ship, not air)

Pre- Stays / Post-stays hotels

If you have pre-scheduled your transfers, your confirmation numbers and meet up point are listed in your travel documents provided by your agent.

If for some reason your transfer company isn't there, their contact information is provided for emergencies as well.

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You can book additional tours and activities through your agent prior to travel. Or, choose to find your own things to do upon arrival.

Getting to the Port

If you are going straight to your cruise from the airport, your transfer information will be found in your cruise travel documents.

If transfers are not included, public transportation (such as taxi or uber) from the city you landed into to the port is recommended.

It's critical to get to your cruise port as early as possible. The ship could sail without you and doors close early prior to disembarkation!

Checking into the ship (Embarkation)

You will need to provide your passport and a credit card on file. If you didn't add beverage, dining or internet package and want to, you can do that at check-in.

Cruise Gratuities

Pre-paid gratuities can be made prior to sailing or onboard at the concierge although they are not exactly required, but highly recommended to make your vacation more peaceful.

Some cruise lines may choose to charge this at the end of your sailing, rather than the beginning.

Dining and beverage packages typically include gratuities in the price of that package.

Onboard Entertainment

The service staff should provide you with a daily schedule via a flyer delivered to your room or a board posted in the common areas.

Included in your sailing are shows, movies, and more! Some more intense activities onboard could ask for an additional cost (like go-karting) on some cruise lines.

Excursions

The best way to book your activities is to choose the ones provided through the cruise line. That ensures you will make it back to the boat without it sailing away!

If you choose not to plan an excursion in that port, you can have a day on board or explore the city at your leisure! These make for some very fun days, too!

In-destination Tips

You MUST be back prior to the time. Be prepared for city traffic at unusual times and other delays. The ship could leave without you!

Using facilities can be hard to find. Stop at a local bar or café, purchase a gelato or coffee and use their bathroom! A small tip goes a long way. This can be the only way most times.

Be careful of your surroundings. Pick pocketing is real. Keep valuables close to you. Be very aware and don't be naïve with strangers. Avoid large crowds if possible and use caution! Act as if you were downtown in your home state.

Currency

Credit cards being swiped in multiple countries can send off high alerts, even if you notify your bank. It's best to bring the current local currency with you for extra spending.

If you plan to buy souvenirs, clothes, and gifts, we highly recommend you exchange money at your bank at home for the countries you are traveling to to make these purchases.