

WHICH OCEAN CRUISE EXPERIENCE IS RIGHT FOR YOU?

From casual escapes and resort ships to luxury yachts and expeditions

A CASTLE & COMPASS ADVENTURES GUIDE



Ten ways to travel by sea. One may fit you perfectly.

The right cruise is not simply the most expensive option. It is the experience that best matches your travel party, priorities and pace.

THE CASUAL ESCAPE Margaritaville at Sea Easygoing, tropical and approachable for a quick getaway.	FLEXIBLE MAINSTREAM Norwegian Cruise Line Choice, relaxed dining and varied accommodations for couples, families and groups.	THE RESORT AT SEA Royal Caribbean Big entertainment, family activities and ships that become part of the destination.
FAMILY STORYTELLING Disney Cruise Line Immersive storytelling, polished service and thoughtfully designed family experiences.	CULINARY & DESTINATION Oceania Cruises Refined, relaxed cruising for travelers who prioritize food and time ashore.	CONTEMPORARY LUXURY Explora Journeys Modern European design, oceanfront suites, wellness and an unhurried resort feel.
CLASSIC LUXURY Crystal Polished service, butlers, enrichment and a fuller entertainment program.	INTIMATE LUXURY Silversea All-suite ships, personalized service and destination-led global exploration.	THE YACHT EXPERIENCE The Ritz-Carlton Yacht Collection Residential suites, private terraces and a quieter luxury-hotel atmosphere.
THE EXPEDITION National Geographic-Lindblad Expeditions Expert-led exploration, wildlife, photography and access to remote places.		

START WITH THE EXPERIENCE YOU WANT - THEN COMPARE THE SHIP, ITINERARY, FARE AND ACCOMMODATION.

WHO	WHY	HOW	VALUE
The people traveling	The purpose of the trip	The pace and atmosphere	The complete trip cost

FIND YOUR BEST STARTING POINT

Use this comparison to narrow the field. Your final match will depend on the specific ship, itinerary, fare and people traveling.



EXAMPLE LINE	BEST FOR	THE EXPERIENCE	KEEP IN MIND
Margaritaville at Sea	Quick, casual escapes	Easygoing tropical fun	Compare add-on costs
Norwegian Cruise Line	Flexible couples, families & groups	Choice and casual scheduling	Ship and cabin category matter
Royal Caribbean	Active and multigenerational families	Entertainment and attractions	Choose the ship class carefully
Disney Cruise Line	Families and Disney fans	Storytelling, service and family entertainment	Compare season, ship and itinerary
Oceania Cruises	Food and destination-focused travelers	Refined, quieter small-ship feel	Fewer large-scale attractions
Explora Journeys	Luxury resort travelers	Contemporary, spacious and unhurried	Not a traditional cruise rhythm
Crystal	Classic luxury and enrichment seekers	Butler service plus entertainment	Traditional rather than resort-like
Silversea	Travelers seeking intimate global luxury	All-suite, personalized exploration	Review the selected fare structure
Ritz-Carlton Yacht Collection	Luxury hotel and yacht travelers	Residential, private and relaxed	Limited big-ship entertainment
National Geographic-Lindblad	Wildlife, nature and active explorers	Expert-led expedition immersion	Plans may change with conditions

BEFORE YOU CHOOSE, ASK:

1
Is the ship part of the destination?

2
How much activity do you want?

3
What should be included?

4
How important are food and service?

5
Do you want ports or exploration?



READY TO FIND YOUR MATCH?

Castle & Compass Adventures compares the complete experience - ship, itinerary, accommodations, inclusions and total trip value.

Scan to explore planning resources or schedule a conversation.



A SIMPLE WAY TO DECIDE

1 IDENTIFY the experience you want	2 COMPARE specific ships and fares	3 EVALUATE the complete trip value
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Cruise offerings and inclusions vary by ship, itinerary, fare and sailing. Confirm the details of the selected voyage before booking.