

The Complete First-Time Cruiser Guide

Chapter 3: Choosing Your Stateroom

Your stateroom is your home away from home while you're cruising. Choosing the right cabin can enhance your vacation, improve your comfort, and help you stay within your budget. Fortunately, there are great options for every travel style.

Stateroom Type	Best For
■ Interior	Budget-conscious travelers who plan to spend most of their time exploring the ship.
■ Ocean View	Guests who enjoy natural light and outside views without paying for a balcony.
■ Balcony	Scenic itineraries, couples, and anyone who enjoys private outdoor space.
■ Suite	Travelers seeking extra space, premium amenities, and additional perks.
■ Cabin Location	Consider decks, elevators, and public spaces when selecting your room.

Finding the Best Cabin

Think about what matters most to you. If you plan to spend your days exploring the ship and ports, an interior cabin may be perfect. If you dream of enjoying coffee on a private balcony while watching glaciers or sunsets, upgrading may be worth the investment.

Aimee's Tip: Cabin location can be just as important as cabin type. Mid-ship cabins on lower or middle decks often provide a smoother ride, while rooms beneath busy public areas may experience more noise.

Coming Up: Chapter 4 covers everything you need to do before you sail, including travel documents, online check-in, and packing essentials.