

# THE ULTIMATE GUIDE TO CRUISE EXCURSIONS

Shore excursions often consist of sightseeing, food tours, and physical activities unique to the port destination. The cruise organizes and leads outings for a small fee that relieves passengers of the stress of individual booking and planning.

## WHAT ARE CRUISE EXCURSIONS?

To put it simply, shore excursions are off-boat activities organized by the cruise company to maintain the interest and enjoyment of its passengers. For an extra fee, the company books, plans, and leads outings to popular tourist spots such as museums, landmarks, and monuments.

The different types of shore excursions vary depending on your location, but all can be sorted into five basic categories:

- Sightseeing
- Food and culture
- Wilderness
- Adventure
- Water sports

## HOW DO I BOOK A CRUISE EXCURSION?



Booking a cruise excursion is much easier than you'd think. All major companies offer a full list of available outings on their website along with instructions on booking and prices. Excursions can either be reserved with your cruise booking or added on after.

In some cases, excursions can be booked onboard, but this is typically only allowed if there are still available spots. It's recommended that you reserve your excursion prior to departure.

## HOW FAR IN ADVANCE SHOULD I BOOK AN EXCURSION?



There is no set date for how early an excursion should be booked through the cruise company, but it is recommended to do so as soon as possible. The closer it gets to your trip, the higher the prices and the lower the availability. To ensure enough spots for your family without breaking the bank, book shore trips as soon as you have your tickets!

## HOW TO SAVE WHEN BOOKING A CRUISE EXCURSION:



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