



# CRUISE LINGO



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mastering the art of cruise speak! 🚢

- Aft BACK: The rear of the ship
- Atrium/Piazza : Central court of a cruise ship, often spanning multiple decks
- Berth : A built-in bed in your stateroom
- Bow : The front of the ship
- Bridge : The navigational control center
- Captain : The master of the ship
- Cruise Director : Ships Host and Leads the entertainment team
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- Deck Plan : The ship's layout, detailing cabins/public areas
- Disembark/Disembarkation : Leaving the ship
- Dock : Where the ship parks in port
- Duty Free Shopping : Tax-free goodies, perfect for souvenirs
- Embark/Embarkation : Boarding the ship
- Forward : Near the bow/front of the ship
- Gangway : Pathway to get on/off the ship
- Knot : Unit of speed (1 knot = 1.15 mph on land)
- Leeward : Side away from the wind
- Midship : Center section of the ship
- Muster : Assembly for safety briefing
- Muster Station : Designated safety gathering point
- Pier : Landing area for ships
- Port : Left side of the ship facing forward; docking side
- Port of Call : Scheduled stops on your journey
- Purser : Ship's officer managing accounts and transactions
- Ship : Always a "ship," not a "boat"
- Starboard : Right side of the ship facing forward
- Stateroom : Your cabin or room
- Stateroom/Cabin Steward : Dedicated staff maintaining your room
- Stern : The back of the ship
- Tender : Smaller boat for shore access from the ship
- Windward : Side of the ship facing the wind



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