

14-Day Carnival Cruise Countdown Planner

Everything to Do Before You Sail

This is a printable draft based on the planner we developed together. Use it as the companion PDF for your article and continue refining it after your July cruise.

14 Days Out

- Complete Carnival online check-in.
- Select the earliest available arrival appointment.
- Verify every passenger has completed check-in.

13 Days Out

- Reserve specialty dining.
- Book reservation-required entertainment.
- Purchase desired shore excursions.

12 Days Out

- Download and set up the Carnival HUB App.
- Join your sailing Facebook group.
- Notify your bank/credit card companies.

10 Days Out

- Research each port.
- Reserve Galveston parking.
- Verify passports and travel documents.

7 Days Out

- Make your packing list.
- Buy sunscreen and medications.
- Refill prescriptions.

5 Days Out

- Print or save boarding documents.
- Confirm hotel.
- Arrange pet/home care.

3 Days Out

- Pack bags.
- Charge electronics.
- Check weather.

Night Before

- Place tagged luggage by the door.
- Set two alarms.
- Get a good night's sleep.

Embarkation Day

- Arrive during your check-in window.
- Have boarding documents ready.
- Skip the crowded buffet—try Guy's Burger Joint or BlueIguana Cantina.
- Complete your e-muster drill.
- Explore the ship before crowds build.
- Enjoy sailaway!

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