Cruise Checklist

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Ch	oosing a Cruise
	Decide where you want to go.
	Make a list of cities that you would like to visit on your trip.
	Figure out how much you can afford to spend on a cruise.
	List your expectations of the ship itself.
	Compare cruise lines.
	Narrow down your options to be left with a very short list.
	Choose the cruise that gives you the most bang for your buck.
	Check what sorts of shore excursions do the chosen cruise line offer.
Во	oking a Cruise
	Contact a travel agent to plan your trips.
	Outline the option you've chosen, and see what kind of deal they can get you.
	Research online to see if you can find any discounts.
	Book your cruise.
	Select multiple options for your cabin choice in descending order of preference.
	Make airline and land travel arrangements that will coincide with the start and end of your cruise.
	Review the literature that comes with your cruise package.
	Plan your itinerary, including any shore excursions, classes or activities that you will want to partake in during your vacation.
	Make your final payment on the cruise on or before the due date.
Pa	cking for a Cruise
	Make sure your travel documents are in order.
	Be sure you know exactly what sort of documentation you will need.
	Make multiple photocopies of your passport, your driver's license and all travel documents.
	Make a list of emergency contact numbers.
	Visit your pharmacy and make sure any prescription medication you are taking is filled to last the duration of the cruise.
	Pack your clothing, accessories, and toiletries.

Make arrangements for home care. Fill out the pre-boarding forms that the cruise line requires.