



## Cruise Reward FAQ:

**Question: When is the cruise?**

Answer: July 25 through July 29

**Question: Where does the cruise go?**

Answer: The reward cruise will travel to the Bahamas out of Charleston, SC. Here is the itinerary.

			ARRIVES	DEPARTS
Day 1	Thu	Charleston		4:00 PM
Day 2	Fri	Fun Day At Sea		
Day 3	Sat	Nassau	8:00 AM	4:00 PM
Day 4	Sun	Fun Day At Sea		
Day 5	Mon	Charleston	8:00 AM	

**Question: Will chaperones be provided for the cruise if a girl travels alone?**

Answer: For our older girl scouts (cadette and up) we will have chaperones. For our younger girl scouts (Daisy, Brownie, and Juniors) a caregiver will need to purchase a ticket and travel with the girl scout. Due to the extent of the trip, it would be very difficult to take a young girl on such a long-distance trip with chaperones that she likely will not have ever met. For the comfort of the girl and the logistics of leaving the country without parents, we will require that our younger girls travel with their family.

**Question: Why is the price of the cruise estimated at \$700? I priced the same cruise online and it shows \$544 per person.**

Answer: The estimate of \$700 was intended to provide a ballpark amount for budgeting and planning purposes. We will not know the exact pricing for each attendee until we know how many girls, parents, and chaperones will be in attendance. The price varies depending on how many per room. The \$700 estimate also includes the taxes, fees, port expenses, gratuity, and insurance. These are not all included in the price viewed in an online search.

**Question: Why doesn't the reward include a ticket for a caregiver to attend? I've seen prizes in other councils & all their trips included girl + caregiver.**

Answer: Each council has ownership of their reward program and designs the rewards around their own unique budget and circumstances. This is our first year offering a cruise as a cookie reward and we consulted with other councils that have offered it in the past. Looking at our options, working with a travel agent experienced in cruises, and evaluating our rewards budget we came up with the cruise reward as documented. Keeping in mind that the main objective is to celebrate the girl scout for achieving great heights in her cookie business.

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**Question: Are we able to upgrade our room to an exterior room?**

Answer: Yes, if the cruise still has exterior rooms available when we finalize our rooms, attendees, etc. Families can pay for an upgraded room. Note: the girl scout's reward will cover the cost of the interior room and families will be responsible for any additional costs for the girl scout.

**Question: When is payment due?**

Answer: Caregivers/families attending with their girl scout will need to commit and sign the cruise agreement by March 20. This will include a \$150 deposit. All final payments are due by May 1.

**Question: Are passports required?**

Answer: No, not necessarily. Passports are highly recommended, though.

*U.S. citizens taking a "closed-loop" cruise are not required to have a passport but will need proof of citizenship such as an original or certified copy of a birth certificate, a certificate of naturalization, a passport card, an enhanced driver's license (EDL) as well as a government-issued photo ID. Children are also required to bring proof of citizenship and if 16 and over a photo ID is also required.*

Children without a passport, traveling without legal guardians will need notarized approval from parents.



## Carnival Cruise

At the 3000+ level, Girl Scouts will be able to cruise into their adventure.

4-day Carnival Cruise

Departing from Charleston, SC

July 25-29, 2024

This reward includes one ticket to the cruise. Does not include transportation to the port.

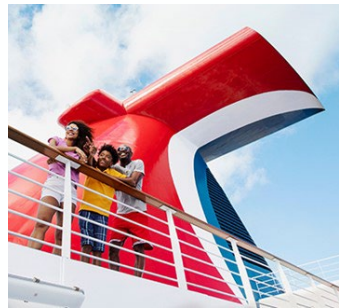
Families are invited and encouraged to purchase tickets and join their girl as they celebrate a successful cookie season.

Daisy, Brownie, and Junior level girl scouts will be required to travel with parent/caregiver.





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			ARRIVES	DEPARTS	4 Day Bahamas from Charleston Thu Jul 25, 2024 - Mon Jul 29, 2024
Day 1	Thu	Charleston		4:00 PM	SHIP Carnival Sunshine
Day 2	Fri	Fun Day At Sea			
Day 3	Sat	Nassau	8:00 AM	4:00 PM	
Day 4	Sun	Fun Day At Sea			
Day 5	Mon	Charleston	8:00 AM		

- Cost for additional guests will vary depending on number of people per room, and type of room. All reserved rooms are interior.
- Price will be near \$700 (including taxes, fees, port expenses, insurance, and gratuity). Note, all participants will be required to purchase the travel insurance.
- Caregivers of girls attending, as well as any additional guests, will need to complete an online Cruise Agreement (to be provided if girl chooses this reward). This will allow all parties to understand the process and expectations.
- Additional guests need to signup and provide \$150 deposit by March 20. Full payment is due no later than May 1.



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  - Children traveling without legal guardians will need notarized approval from parents.
- Example average prices (room cost, taxes, fees, and port expenses – note, insurance will be additional):
  - 5 guests = \$556 per person
  - 4 guests = \$550 per person
  - 3 guests = \$635 per person
  - 2 guests = \$773 per person
- VIFP status with Carnival?  
We can apply your membership to your cruise to receive discounts/benefits.

