

SentryNet Cruise News



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How much money do I need on this trip?

Peggy Says:

The time is catching up with us quick and I am hearing one question more often. How much money should I bring? The standard answer is it depends on how much you want to spend.

Arriving at the parking garage you will spend \$60 to park and it is customary to tip the porters if they help you with your bags. In the terminal you will assign a credit card or apply cash to your sail and sign card.

On the ship you will use your sail and sign card for identification and to make all purchases. No, everything is not free—you will pay for alcohol, sodas and gift shop purchases. \$80 will also be charged to your sail and sign card for gratuity. This is split among all of the staff on the ship. If you do choose to play bingo or gamble in the casino that will require a credit card and/or cash.

In Cozumel your credit card is readily accepted at all the shops on the pier and downtown, however you will want to have cash if you choose to negotiate as it will give you a little more buying power.

Drinks are about twice what you'll normally pay, food in Cozumel is relatively cheap, and the shops are fair in their pricing on the ship and off but it's fun to haggle. The key—be mindful of your spending and check your statement.

Charlotte Says:

YEAH, it's almost Cruise time. I bet some of you are wondering how much money you should take? Should you take cash, credit card, debit card, travelers checks, prepaid visa, personal check, company check, etc.???? Yes, you do need to bring some cash and any of the above. You will need cash on several occasions: curbside porter (\$1.00 a bag), parking is \$60.00, cash is preferred but credit card is accepted, also, for the Casino if you desire to indulge and for Bingo, if that's your pleasure. Cash or credit card is accepted to set up your sail and sign card, this will be used for all purchases on the ship (shopping, drinks, pictures, specialty foods and items, etc.) There are ATM's and a ship cashier available to cash checks (personal or travelers), however, many transactions require a set fee or a percent of the transaction.

We paid cash for the taxi ride to town, not sure if they take a card, probably do. While on land some street vendors take cash only, but most stores and restaurants take cards. Just remember your sail and sign card is used for payment for everything on board the ship except the Casino and Bingo! See you soon!!

**Next Month
 Charlotte and
 Peggy will go over
 the last minute
 check list.**

