PortMiami

The biggest cruise port in the world, with ten terminals and a different garage for each one. Get the terminal right and everything else follows.

Facts checked against official sources on 24 September 2026

Port address	1015 N. America Way, Miami, FL 33132. Operated by Miami-Dade County.
Terminals	AA, A, B, C, D, E, F, G, J and V, on both the north and south sides of the port
Parking	$10 short-term / $25 long-term per day at most garages. Terminal AA and Terminal B garages are higher: see below.
Distance from MIA	About 9 miles, per Miami International Airport. Norwegian publishes 10 miles, about 20 minutes.
Distance from FLL	25 miles, about 45 minutes, per Norwegian. Neither the port nor Broward's airport publishes a figure.

Which terminal, and which garage

PortMiami publishes the terminal each line uses, and each terminal has its own parking. Park at the wrong one and you are walking a long way with luggage, because these terminals are spread over a mile.

Book it from your phone

Sailing from PortMiami: the bookings Granny uses, one scan away.

Point your phone camera at a code. Your phone opens the booking page. No camera app? Type the web address printed under the code.

Hotels near PortMiami

Every hotel near the terminal on one map, plus Booking.com and Vrbo. Stay the night before.

HOTEL MAP

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Airport to the ship

A pre-booked ride from the airport to the cruise terminal, booked before you fly.

WELCOME PICKUPS

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Bag storage on the way home

Late flight after you get off the ship? Leave your bags for a few hours and see the town.

RADICAL STORAGE

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Travel insurance

Compare cruise travel insurance plans side by side before final payment.

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Terminal AA	MSC Cruises. 2200 N. Cruise Blvd. Garage AA.
Terminal A	Royal Caribbean, "The Crown of Miami." 2000 N. Cruise Blvd. Garage A.
Terminal B	Norwegian Cruise Line. Garage B, 1756 N. Cruise Blvd.
Terminal C	Multiple lines; the port names none. Garage C.
Terminals D, E and F	Carnival Cruise Line. Garage D and Surface Lot D serve Terminal D; Terminal E parks at Surface Lot E; Terminal F parks at Garage G.
Terminal G	Royal Caribbean, per the port. Garage G, 921 N. America Way.
Terminal V	Virgin Voyages. 718 N. Cruise Blvd. Garage G.
Terminal J	Southside. No line published. Garages J and K.

One conflict worth knowing. The port lists Royal Caribbean at Terminals A and G. Royal Caribbean's own directions page lists its Miami terminals as A, AA and E, and does not mention G. Go by the terminal printed on your cruise documents, not by either page.

Parking at the port

Rates come straight from PortMiami's parking page.

Garages C, D, F, G and Surface Lot E	$10 per day short-term, $25 per day long-term
Garage AA	$20 per day short-term with no overnight, $35 per day long-term
Garage B	$35 per vehicle per space per day, effective 1 January 2025
Oversized vehicles, RVs, trailers	Surface Lot E only. $25 per space per day, $50 if you use two spaces.
Lost ticket	Up to $275

Garages are open and staffed by an attendant from 6am to 5pm on cruise days. You pay at exit.

> **Debit cards are not accepted.** The port takes cash, Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Discover, or a major US traveller's cheque. A debit card will not work at the gate, which is an easy way to start a holiday badly.

The port also publishes garage height clearances, and some are low: Garage AA is 7 feet 0 inches, Garage B 7 feet 6 inches, and floors in Garages C through K run from 6 feet 8 inches to 9 feet 6 inches. If you drive a wheelchair-accessible van with a raised roof, check before you commit.

The disabled parking rule most people get wrong

This one matters, and it is published plainly by the county. A blue disabled parking permit or licence tag **does not** get you free parking at PortMiami. It gets you **two hours** of complimentary parking, after which you pay standard rates.

Free parking for the whole cruise is limited to two situations. Either the vehicle has specialised equipment such as ramps, lifts, or foot or hand controls, or it carries a State of Florida licence plate for disabled veterans, in which case the veteran must be in the vehicle when it is parked. Bring the parking ticket, your driving licence and the vehicle registration to the toll attendant.

Parking off the port

Honest answer: we could not find a single private park-and-cruise lot or hotel in Miami that publishes its own daily rate on its own website. Every search result was a reselling marketplace, and a marketplace price is not the lot's price.

The one genuine operator site we found is WeParkInMiami, which advertises covered options, car wash, EV charging and transfer services, but publishes no rate we could read. We will add Miami lots here as and when they publish their own prices.

Getting there without a car

PortMiami publishes several options and prices none of them.

- **The free Coral Way Trolley** serves PortMiami with three stops on the north and south sides. Free, and almost nobody mentions it.
- **Brightline** runs a vacation service to and from PortMiami.
- **Metrorail and Metromover**: Orange Line from the airport, or Green Line to Government Center, then Metromover to Freedom Tower.
- **Cruise line shuttles** pick up at Miami International's North bus station (Concourse D, Level 1, Door 1) or South bus station (Concourse J, Level 1, Door 33).
- **Taxis and rideshare** operate at the terminals on cruise days, with designated pickup zones.

There is a free shuttle between terminals, but only in one narrow case: when your ship departs from one terminal and returns to another.

Arriving

The port publishes very little here and refers you to your cruise line, but it does say two useful things: drop your luggage before you park, and there are no storage lockers anywhere on the port. Royal Caribbean's rule is that you must be checked in and onboard no later than 90 minutes before port operations close, and that arriving early does not get you on any sooner. Virgin Voyages opens luggage drop at Terminal V at 9am.

Accessibility

PortMiami publishes a real accessibility page, which is more than most ports manage. Published: accessible restrooms throughout the cruise terminals with grab bars, pictorial wayfinding, TTY/TDD phones at select terminal locations, and Florida Relay on 711. Miami-Dade's Special Transportation Service runs door-to-door paratransit. Wheelchair-accessible taxis are available with trained drivers, and the port states there is **no additional surcharge to wheelchair users**.

The port's ADA contact is Luis L. Gonzalez, Chief of Human Resources, on 305-498-4491, for accommodation requests and accessible-format materials.

One thing almost nobody tells you

There is a **Global Entry enrolment centre inside Cruise Terminal D**, at 1435 N. Cruise Blvd, open Tuesday to Thursday from 8am to 8pm for conditionally approved applicants, by appointment or walk-in. Global Entry enrolment also enrols you in TSA PreCheck.

Not published anywhere official: the Garage A daily rate (the port declines to print it), any rate for Garages J and K or Surface Lots C and D, what separates "short-term" from "long-term" in hours, terminal opening times, luggage drop cut-offs, who provides wheelchair assistance inside the terminal and how to request it, accessible drop-off locations, and the number of accessible spaces in any garage.

Where these facts come from

- PortMiami, parking information (https://www.miamidade.gov/portmiami/parking-information.page)
- PortMiami, cruise terminals (https://www.miamidade.gov/portmiami/cruise-terminals.page)
- PortMiami, cruise FAQ (https://www.miamidade.gov/portmiami/faq-cruise.page)
- PortMiami, directions and transportation (https://www.miamidade.gov/portmiami/directions-transportation.page)
- PortMiami, accessibility (https://www.miamidade.gov/portmiami/accessibility.page)
- PortMiami, Global Entry enrollment center (https://www.miamidade.gov/portmiami/global-entry.page)
- PortMiami, garages map (PDF) (https://www.miamidade.gov/resources-port/documents/portmiami-garages-map.pdf)
- Miami International Airport, ground transportation (https://www.miami-airport.com/ground-transportation.asp)
- Royal Caribbean, driving directions to PortMiami (https://www.royalcaribbean.com/faq/questions/driving-directions-port-miami)
- Royal Caribbean, port arrival time (https://www.royalcaribbean.com/faq/questions/cruise-ship-port-arrival-time)
- Virgin Voyages, Port of Miami (https://www.virginvoyages.com/cruises/ports/port-of-miami)
- MSC Cruises, Miami (https://www.msccruisesusa.com/cruise/destinations/us-canada/united-states/florida/miami)

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