



Cape Liberty, New Jersey Cruise Port Guide

Bayonne terminal, parking, Newark airport, hotels, New York Harbor attractions, and embarkation planning

Information reviewed August 1, 2026. Cruise schedules, terminals, parking prices, hotel packages, store hours, and transportation options can change. Verify current details before travel.

Cruise Port Overview

Cape Liberty Cruise Port is on the Peninsula at Bayonne Harbor, with views of the Statue of Liberty and the Manhattan skyline. The single modern terminal is convenient for New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, and Northeast drive-market travelers.

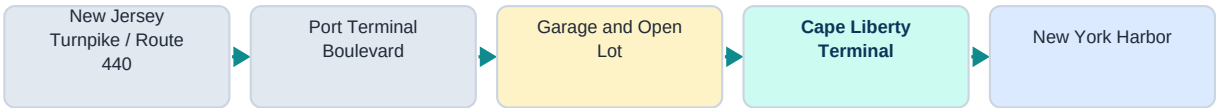
Port address	4 Port Terminal Boulevard, Bayonne, NJ 07002
Primary airport	Newark Liberty International Airport (EWR), about 9 miles away
Terminal layout	One primary cruise terminal with adjacent garage and open lot
Best pre-cruise areas	Newark Airport/Elizabeth, Jersey City waterfront, Bayonne, or Manhattan
Transit note	Hudson-Bergen Light Rail reaches Bayonne, but a taxi or rideshare is still needed to the terminal.

Cruise Lines Sailing From This Port

Royal Caribbean International The principal operator, with Bermuda, Bahamas, Caribbean, Canada/New England, and transatlantic itineraries.	Celebrity Cruises Seasonal Bermuda and other voyages from Cape Liberty.
Other calls Occasional special or repositioning calls are possible; verify the current schedule.	Terminal confirmation Royal Caribbean Group brands may use the same terminal, but check the documents for exact instructions.

Cruise Terminals and Orientation Map

Cape Liberty Orientation (not to scale)



Cape Liberty has a single principal passenger terminal at the end of Port Terminal Boulevard. Drivers pass a security area, follow signs for luggage drop-off, and then enter the adjacent garage or open lot. The property is part of the former Military Ocean Terminal at Bayonne.

Parking Options and Costs

Standard parking	\$35 per day, including taxes, as currently published by Royal Caribbean.
Reservations	Not required; parking is stated to be guaranteed for cruise passengers.
Payment	Cash and major credit cards are accepted according to the cruise line information page.
Oversized vehicles	Charged for two spaces. Oversized vehicles use the open lot.
Garage clearance	Approximately 7 feet 4 inches. Vehicles exceeding the clearance use the open lot.
Location	The garage and open lot are directly beside the terminal.

Airport Transportation

Newark - EWR

The closest and most practical airport. Taxi, rideshare, private transfer, and hotel shuttle combinations are available.

LaGuardia - LGA

Possible but requires crossing New York City and can be slow or expensive.

JFK

Usually the least convenient for Cape Liberty because of distance and cross-city traffic.

Public transportation

AirTrain/NJ Transit/PATH or light rail can reduce cost, but multiple transfers with luggage make a taxi or private car easier.

Cruise-Friendly Hotels and Parking Packages

Hotel cruise-parking packages and shuttle schedules change frequently. Verify parking duration, transfer fees, vehicle access, and package restrictions directly with the hotel before booking.

Newark Liberty International Airport Marriott

Directly at EWR. Ask about long-term parking and arrange a separate port transfer.

Renaissance Newark Airport Hotel

Often considered by drive-in travelers; verify Park Stay Fly availability and cruise transportation.

Hampton Inn & Suites Newark Airport Elizabeth

Near airport shopping and transportation. Confirm long-term parking and port transfer costs.

Embassy Suites Newark Airport

Suite-style option near The Mills at Jersey Gardens; ask about parking duration and shuttle limits.

Hyatt Regency Jersey City

Waterfront views and easy Manhattan access, but cruise parking packages are uncommon.

Bayonne or Staten Island hotels

Fewer choices, but may reduce embarkation morning driving. Verify secure long-term parking before booking.

Best Restaurants Nearby

Liberty House Restaurant

Jersey City waterfront dining with harbor and skyline views.

Razza

Highly regarded pizza in downtown Jersey City.

Porta Jersey City

Pizza, rooftop atmosphere, and casual group dining.

Hendrickson's Corner

Long-running Bayonne neighborhood restaurant and tavern.

Broadway in Bayonne

Local Italian, Latin, diner, cafe, and casual restaurant options.

Ironbound District in Newark

Portuguese, Brazilian, and Spanish restaurants near Newark Penn Station and EWR.

Local Attractions

Liberty State Park

Harbor views, walking paths, ferries, and access toward the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island.

Liberty Science Center

Family science museum in Jersey City.

Jersey City waterfront

Skyline views, restaurants, parks, and PATH access to Manhattan.

Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island

Reserve official ferry tickets in advance from Liberty State Park or Manhattan.

Tear Drop Memorial

Bayonne memorial overlooking New York Harbor.

New York City

Broadway, museums, landmarks, and shopping are possible with extra pre-cruise time.

Shopping

The Mills at Jersey Gardens

Large outlet mall near Newark Airport.

Bayonne Crossing

Retail center for groceries, supplies, and general shopping.

Newport Centre

Indoor mall in Jersey City near PATH transit.

Manhattan shopping

World Trade Center, SoHo, Fifth Avenue, and other districts are accessible by PATH or ferry.

Grocery and Liquor Stores

ShopRite of Bayonne

Full grocery store for snacks and travel essentials.

Costco Bayonne

Bulk purchases for groups or pre-cruise hotel stays.

CVS and Walgreens

Medicine, toiletries, and last-minute items.

Stop & Shop and Walmart

General groceries and supplies in the Bayonne area.

Local wine and liquor stores

New Jersey liquor sales are generally through licensed stores rather than every supermarket.

Weather by Season

Winter	Cold, commonly 30s to 40s, with possible snow, ice, and wind.
Spring	Variable 40s to 70s, with rain and occasional chilly harbor winds.
Summer	Warm and humid, often 70s to upper 80s.
Fall	Comfortable 50s to 70s early, turning cooler later; excellent for Canada/New England sailings.

Embarkation Day Tips

Use the Bayonne address

Do not accidentally navigate to Manhattan or Brooklyn cruise terminals.

Drop luggage first

Follow the signs, unload checked luggage, then park.

Arrive the day before

Especially important when flying into any New York-area airport.

Keep ID ready

Security staff may check documents before vehicles enter the terminal area.

Expect one access road

Port Terminal Boulevard can back up during peak arrival and departure periods.

Consider EWR hotels

They are usually easier than staying in Manhattan when embarkation convenience is the priority.

Frequently Asked Questions

Which airport is closest?	EWR is the best airport for most Cape Liberty travelers.
How much is parking?	\$35 per day including taxes, subject to change.
Do I need a parking reservation?	The cruise line says reservations are not required and space is guaranteed for cruise guests.
Can I take a train directly to the terminal?	No. Public transit can reach Bayonne, but a taxi or rideshare is needed for the final segment.
Can I see the Statue of Liberty?	Yes. The sailaway and nearby Liberty State Park offer excellent views, though the exact ship route varies.

Money-Saving Tips

Use EWR instead of JFK or LGA

This usually reduces transfer cost and travel time.

Compare terminal parking with hotel parking

An airport hotel package may save money, but add the port transfer cost.

Stay in Jersey City for sightseeing

PATH transit to Manhattan can cost less than a Manhattan hotel.

Buy supplies in Bayonne

Prices can be lower than tourist areas in Manhattan.

Avoid Manhattan car use

Parking and tolls can be expensive; use PATH, ferry, or transit for sightseeing.

Ask KalviTravel to compare the full route

Scott can balance airport, hotel, parking, and cruise costs.

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Personal comparison

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Complete trip planning

Cruise fare, hotel, parking, airport transportation, transfers, and protection decisions can be considered as one vacation plan.

Clear reminders

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Support from a real advisor

You have a person to contact before and during your trip. Call Scott Kalvinek at (508) 769-3808 or visit KalviTravel.com.

Official and Planning Sources

Royal Caribbean Cape Liberty directions and parking

<https://www.royalcaribbean.com/usa/en/faq/questions/driving-directions-port-cape-liberty-new-jersey>

Port Authority cruise terminals

<https://www.portauthoritybuilds.com/port/en/our-port/cruise-terminals.html>

Celebrity cruises from Cape Liberty

<https://www.celebritycruises.com/cruises?country=USA&search;=departurePort%3ABYE>

Liberty State Park

<https://www.nj.gov/dep/parksandforests/parks/libertystatepark.html>

Hudson County tourism

<https://www.visithudson.org/>

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