

How to choose a Hotel in Cocoa Beach or Port Canaveral Florida.

Planning your first trip to the Space Coast? If you have never visited Cocoa Beach or cruised from Port Canaveral, you may have a hard time deciding which hotel to choose. In the surrounding Cocoa Beach area there are basically three main options to consider, port, beach, or price.

If the next Caribbean cruise leaving Port Canaveral is your main reason for coming to Cocoa Beach, you will probably want to stay close to the port. [Hotels near Port Canaveral](#) are located in Cape Canaveral, a small residential town located next to Cocoa Beach. These hotels cater to cruise ship passengers that generally spend one night pre or post their cruise. Several hotels also feature private cruise terminal shuttle service for a small fee. Do not expect any views of the beach, there are no nationally branded hotels on the beach in Cape Canaveral.

If you are looking for majestic ocean views, keep driving toward Cocoa Beach. You can choose from a variety of beautiful ocean side [Cocoa Beach hotels](#). Keep in mind ocean side hotel does not always mean you will have a direct ocean front room. Any hotel east of Atlantic Ave (A1A) is considered ocean side. When making a reservation, choose rooms that are direct oceanfront or just steps to the beach. Be prepared to pay a little more for beach side hotel locations.

Price is the most important feature for you? Start by looking for hotels on the west side of A1A. You will save money without sacrificing quality or view. Keep in mind, all you will have to do is walk across the street. Looking to save even more on price? Check online for some great discounts including timeshare sales presentation offers.

No matter what your preference regarding, port, beach, or price, make sure you give yourself enough time to see all the great [attractions on the Space Coast](#). Many tourists and cruisers often wish they would have booked just one more night!