



## Live blogging from the Seven Seas Mariner

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USA TODAY cruise editor Gene Sloan is blogging live this week from the Regent Seven Seas Mariner. Go to the comment box below to leave Gene a question about the ship.

**SATURDAY, 11:00 AM**

Hey there, Cruise Loggers. It's Gene, your intrepid cruise editor, suffering for you here on the Regent Seven Seas Mariner. I boarded the 700-passenger ship yesterday afternoon in Ft. Lauderdale, and we've already made it all the way to Key West, Fla.

Always wondered what it's like on a [Regent Seven Seas](#) cruise? I'll be on board for the next four days as the ship sails into the

Western Caribbean, and I'll be filing daily reports.

This is a special cruise for Regent Seven Seas, which is in the midst of planning its first new vessel in years. Dubbed the "Build Your Ship" voyage, the trip was promoted as a chance for longtime Regent fans to discuss their vision for the coming ship with Regent's managers.

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All of Regent Seven Seas' top executives are on board, including Regent president Mark Conroy, and they'll be holding ship-wide sessions and focus groups with passengers throughout the cruise to brainstorm ideas for the future vessel.

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