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Cabin Door Decorating Ideas

From Tiffany at Travel Magic Network - Personalized planning from first call to final itinerary.

Start with Disney's rules - magnets only

- ☐ Disney welcomes a tasteful magnetic sign on your stateroom door - magnets are the way to decorate, on almost every ship
- ☐ No tape and no adhesives of any kind, including gel adhesives - they damage the door's finish
- ☐ No over-the-door hanging organizers or hooks - they scratch doors and trim
- ☐ Decorations go on the door only - nothing on corridor walls or ceilings, and nothing with sound or video, out of courtesy to your neighbors
- ☐ Do not decorate with anything valuable - and know that damaging a door brings a $100 fee per incident
- ☐ Sailing concierge on the Disney Dream or Disney Fantasy? Those doors are wood, so magnets will not stick - enjoy everyone else's doors instead

Pick a theme

- **First cruise:** your family name, your ship and sailing date, and a "first sailing" sign front and center
- **A celebration:** birthday, anniversary, graduation or honeymoon - say it big enough to read down the hall
- **Pirate Night:** a pirate version of your crew, ready for the one night everyone dresses up
- **Your themed day at sea:** match Marvel Day at Sea or Pixar Day at Sea if your sailing has one
- **A holiday sailing:** Halloween on the High Seas or a Very Merrytime cruise gives you the theme for free
- **Favorite characters or movie:** one beloved film, done well, beats a little of everything
- **Your itinerary:** Castaway Cay, Lookout Cay or Alaska - ports, palm trees or glaciers
- **The countdown payoff:** "We waited 214 days for this" - count your own days from booking to sailing

What to pack

- ☐ Strong magnets, or designs printed on magnetic sheets - weak craft magnets slide and fall
- ☐ One anchor piece: a family-name sign or a big themed centerpiece the rest builds around
- ☐ Ears for the round stateroom number on the door - the classic Disney door move
- ☐ A small magnetic whiteboard and marker, for plans and hellos from hallway friends
- ☐ Spare magnets - a few always wander off or give up mid-sailing
- ☐ A zip bag for it all, packed in your carry-on, so you can decorate before your luggage arrives
- ☐ Joining a fish extender exchange? Its pocket hanger goes on the fish or seahorse clip beside your door - that tradition is still welcome, and it is separate from decorating the door itself

Put it up on embarkation day

- ☐ Decorate early, right after the sit-down lunch - your door is your landmark for the whole sailing
- ☐ Start with the anchor piece, then build out - and test each magnet's grip before you trust it
- ☐ Keep everything flat and inside the edges of the door, so nothing catches or drifts into the corridor
- ☐ Step back and look from down the hall: if your kids can spot it at a glance, it works
- ☐ On the last night, take it all down and into that same zip bag - the magnets come home as souvenirs

Make it yours

- ☐ Names for everyone sailing, spelled the way each person likes
- ☐ Your hometown - hallway conversations start themselves
- ☐ One magnet per port, added as the sailing goes - the door tells the trip's story by the last day

Pair it with pixie dusting

A decorated door is also how gift-giving neighbors find you. If you want to spread a little magic yourself - small surprise gifts left for fellow cruisers - see the companion **Pixie Dusting Ideas** sheet for gift ideas and the supplies that make them easy.

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