

How to Book a Hotel Room for a Family with Kids



Book the perfect hotel room for families. Know what to search for and how to save when travelling with four to seven people in your party.

Good to know:

- ♥ Suites, adjoining rooms, and dedicated family rooms are some of the hotel room options for families.
- 🛏 Maximum occupancy for family hotel rooms varies; some allow four to seven people, while others allow fewer.
- 💎 Booking in advance, using a reward programme, or staying in a suite will lower the price of your hotel room family stay.
- 🔍 Skyscanner's hotel search makes it easy to compare hotel suite options for families at a glance.

What are “family rooms” in hotels?

Consider the family room in a hotel to be the equivalent of a large table at a restaurant. It's a little more space, a few more seats and fewer stools because everyone has a place to be.

A family hotel room typically includes:

- Two double beds or one double and one twin
- A sofa bed or rollaway
- A kitchenette or fridge
- Room for prams and extra luggage, because families travel with approximately 3x more stuff

Some hotels even include bunk beds or kid-friendly décor. Use Skyscanner's “family friendly” filter to quickly find hotels that cater specifically to families with children. (If you're thinking of taking the family to Europe, [check out the 10 best European city breaks for kids.](#))

What to check before booking

- **Occupancy limits:** Some hotels will only allow three occupants in "doubles." Always double-check the small print.
- **Child stay policies:** At some chains, children under 12 can stay free.
- **Bed type:** Rollaways and cots may carry extra fees. Budget for these surprise charges.

Can a family of four stay in one hotel room?

Travelling as a family of four? Don't worry, most hotels are designed with you in mind—two beds and one traditional space for everyone to pile in together.

These rooms usually include beds or one double and one twin bed. Another option is one king plus one sofa bed. Cots are usually provided for free upon request. Just ask at booking or check-in.

Can a family of five stay in one hotel room?

With the right kind of suite or a room with a sofa bed or rollaway, it's definitely possible to fit five, though it's a little like a game of Tetris. Look for the following:

- A hotel suite with shared living spaces and a pull-out couch
- Double Queen room with rollaway beds/cot available upon request

Can a family of six stay in one hotel room?

Six travellers, one room? It's a bit of a stretch, but with large suites and some innovative sleeping arrangements, some hotels make it possible. Some options include:

- Two-bedroom suites with a kitchen (Bonus: bedroom doors that close!)
- A hotel suite with two queen beds plus a pull-out couch
- Family resort suites
- Adjoining rooms with two queen beds in at least one of the rooms

Can a family of seven stay in one hotel room?

Seven people to a hotel room may be hard to come by, but it is possible. In a hotel, a family of seven will almost always need two rooms. Alternatives include:

- Resort villas or apartments
- Multi-bedroom extended stay rooms
- Two adjoining rooms with two queen beds in each room (sleeping up to 8).

Family size	Possibility	Typical Room Options
4	✔ Common	Two queen beds One king + sofa bed- Cribs/cots are usually available on request
5	✔ With the right setup	One-bedroom suite with shared living space and pull-out couch Double Queen Room with rollaway or cribs available on request Two-bedroom suite (Bonus: bedroom

6	✔ Possible, but limited	doors that close!)
		Suite with two queens + pull-out couch
		Family resort suite
7	⚠ Rare, usually requires two rooms	Adjoining rooms (two queens in at least one)
		Resort villas or apartments
		Multi-bedroom extended stay rooms
		Two adjoining rooms with two queens in each (sleeps up to eight)

Choosing the best hotel room for families

With a bit of planning, you can make sure you're booking enough comfort, space, and value for everyone in your larger party.

What to check for:

- **Floorplan:** Make sure rooms are adjoining or you're in a multi-room suite that makes sense for the ages of your children.
- **Amenities:** Kitchenettes, washing facilities, shuttles to airports or attractions, and free breakfast help save money. Every pound saved is a pound toward more family fun.
- **Location:** Close to attractions, public transportation, and supermarkets..
- **Policies:** Children-stay-free policies, rollaway charges, cancellation terms. The small print that actually matters.

Money-saving tips for booking family rooms

Travelling with children and families doesn't have to cost a fortune. Book early, use loyalty points, or find family suites to save money.

1. Reserve well in advance. Family rooms go quickly, especially during summer or holidays.
2. Watch seasonal price trends. Booking a hotel room for a family stay during school holidays is often more expensive, while off-peak months offer greater value.
3. Check out hotel loyalty programmes, which may provide upgrades to larger suites for points. Loyalty has its perks, especially for families.
4. Search for suites or extended stay locations. These options often cost less than a double hotel room or two adjoining rooms. Plus, they come with a kitchen.
5. Shop around for booking sites. Sometimes hotels offer special rates or benefits for booking directly through their site.
6. Consider hotels just outside the city, especially if you have a car or other transport to get around easily. A short commute can mean big savings. ([Find car hire options through Skyscanner.](#))

Ready to find your family's perfect home away from home? Search thousands of hotels around the world on Skyscanner. We've got filters for hotels with free breakfast, connecting rooms, and spacious suites, making booking the right place to stay for your family a breeze, because the best family holidays start with the right room.



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