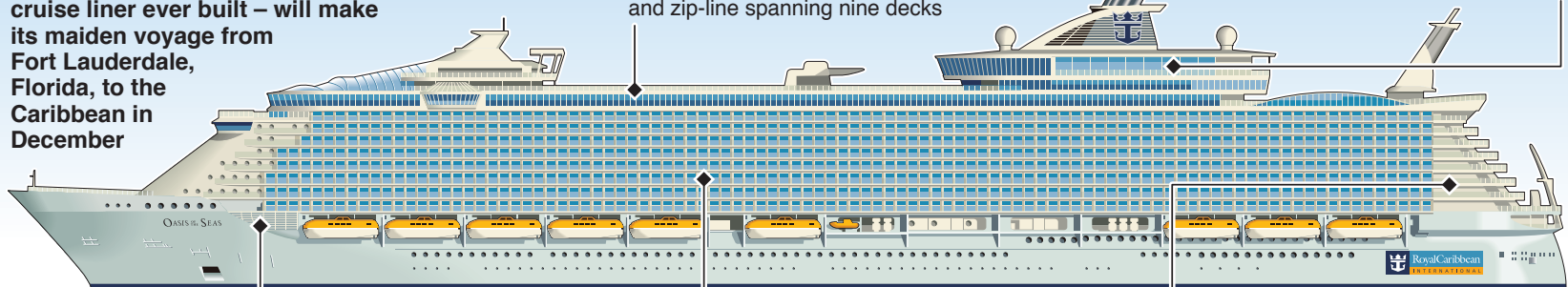


# Giant cruise ship sets sail

The *Oasis of the Seas* – the biggest cruise liner ever built – will make its maiden voyage from Fort Lauderdale, Florida, to the Caribbean in December

**Sports deck:** Features swimming pools, surf simulators, nine-hole miniature golf course, sports court, open-air solarium and zip-line spanning nine decks

**Accommodation:** 16 passenger decks, 2,700 cabins, including loft suites with floor-to-ceiling ocean views



## Entertainment plaza:

Includes nightclubs, 1,380-seat theatre, ice skating rink and largest casino afloat

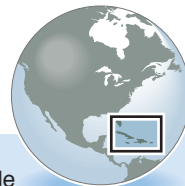


**Royal Promenade / Central Park:** Interior of ship filled with shops, restaurants, bars and first living park at sea



**Boardwalk:** Open-air entertainment area with rock-climbing walls, carousel and aquatic amphitheatre

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▶ **Length:** 360m, 21m longer than previous largest passenger ship, *Freedom of the Seas*, launched 2006

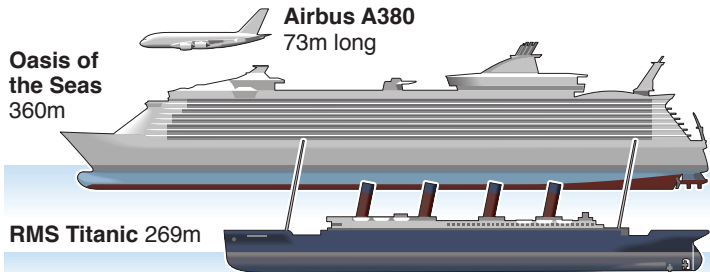
▶ **Height:** 72m above waterline – same height as 23-storey building

▶ **Displacement:** 100,000 tonnes – equal to *Nimitz*-class aircraft carrier

▶ **Passengers:** 6,296 **Crew:** 2,165

▶ **Cruising speed:** 22.6 knots

▶ **Construction cost:** \$1.4 billion



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