



Q: I'm going on my first cruise since my wife passed away five years ago. We sailed together at least once a year through the 1980s. It's a senior singles cruise, and I'm a bit confused. I've been told passengers can wear anything they want, including at the scheduled dress-up dinner/dance.

When my wife and I cruised, we always took good clothing, and on at least one night, went formal. Should I take my tux on this upcoming cruise? *RFT, Milwaukee WI* A: Cruising is much more relaxed these days. Even for that big last-night event, you'll see only a few passengers in formal wear. We suggest you pack a dark suit, shirt and tie for the cruise. You may feel more self-confident when you wear it, and who knows. Maybe a certain evening-gowned lady will find you a fascinating gent.