

Get Ahead of Next Season

Build Your 2025 Booking Calendar Now!







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today's agenda

- Definition of terms
- The importance of availabilities for 2025
- How to build out your own calendar



Need-to-Know Terms



If you know the definition of these terms, please respond in the chat!

Let's get on the same page.



On your book form:

- Customer Type
- Custom Field

In the dashboard

- Availabilities
- Resources



Benefits of Building Out Your Calendar Now



Poll

Why would you wait to build out your calendar?

- → I'm too busy to think about next year
- I might need to change my schedule
- → I don't think I'll get bookings that far in advance
- → Computers are scary







Food for thought:

- Over 10% of bookings are made more than two months in advance
- 15% of clients already have bookings for next year
- Nothing is set in stone!
- It is simple to make changes to existing availabilities, or add new availabilities, once you understand how.
- You're about to learn how to do this yourself!







How to Create New Availabilities for Next Year



You know your business - tips and tricks

- Nobody is more familiar with your business than you are
- Write down a list of considerations for your 2025 calendar before you begin
- Once you have a good overview of your needs, begin the process!

- It is almost always better to duplicate existing availabilities on your calendar rather than creating them from scratch
- It is important to remember that not all availabilities are created equal (some have different customer types, or resource requirements)

- We will look at three different activity types here for the remainder of this webinar, and walk through creating calendars for each of them
- Repetition is key! Let's try to notice the subtle difference in how each of these calendars need to be created.



Let's ride through this together!



Rental Offerings

- Typical setups require all rentals to be returned by a certain time each day
- This creates a manageable level of complexity in building out your future availabilities



Let's sail through this together!



Boating Tours

- Resources make it possible to offer many competing availabilities, casting a wider net
- For this example, we will look at a mock snorkel tour business with a relatively simple setup.



Let's walk through this together!



Hiking Tours

- This example uses something called custom field groups
- The tour starts at 9am Fri-Sun, and 12pm Mon-Thurs
- While the tour is the same, the meal that is offered is not, creating the need for each custom field group



Thank you so much!

Questions?



resources



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- Boost Your Efficiency with the Availability Updater

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