

Creating a reservation

If you have ever installed a program on your computer, you most likely used some kind of wizard to assist you with the installation. You are presented choices with the familiar *Next* and *Back* buttons. The same is true in creating a reservation. We use a wizard to assist the user in the creation process. First, the arrival and departure dates are entered. The user can specify the number of rooms desired as well.

Enter arrival date, nights, and rooms

Arrival Date

Feb 09 Calendar

Feb 09 Calendar

Next

<= February 2010 =>						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28						

The user now chooses a room from the available rooms list. Some clients choose to sort their rooms so that the least rented room shows first on the list, as in this example. Otherwise the list can be shown in an alphabetical order. Rooms can be given names or numbers. Right click on a room and you can view the particulars for the room.

A subset of rooms can be displayed via the drop down lists.

Choose a room

Dates

Arrive 2/11/2010

Depart 2/13/2010

Nights 2

Rooms 1

Filter by

Room Type All

Building All

Room All

Smoking Preference

All

Smoking

Non Smoking

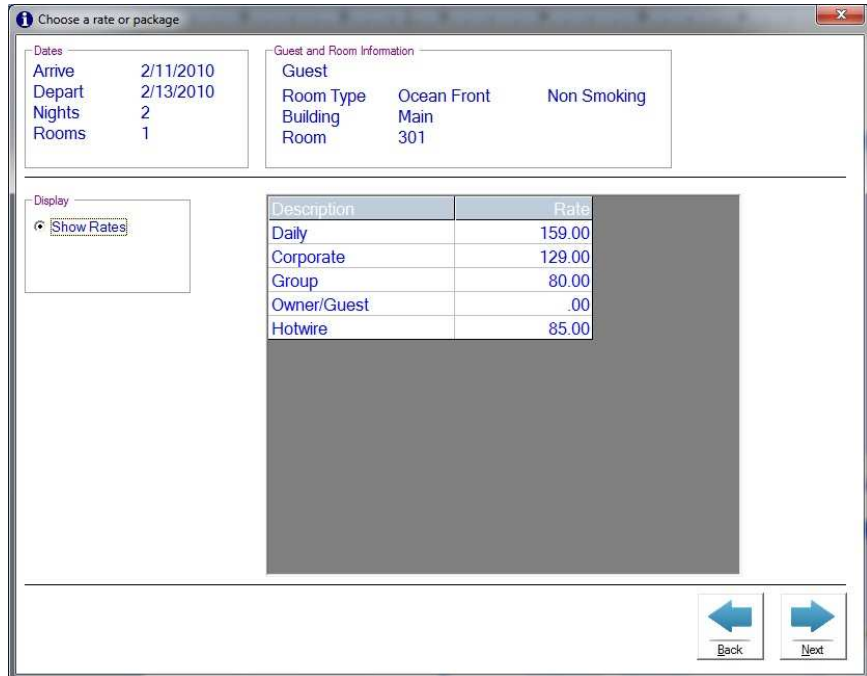
Room	Building	Type	Smoke	Description
103	Main	Single/Hot Tub		Single Hot Tub
104		Double		Double Room
201		King		King Bed Room
301		Ocean Front		Ocean Front Room
302		Ocean Front		Ocean Front King Bed
305		Ocean Front		Ocean Front King

Rooms Grid

Multi Room

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Next, the available rates for the desired stay are displayed. You can configure the system to password certain rates; i.e., the comp rate could only be used by entering the proper password. Also, you can specify which users are allowed to change rates for a reservation.



Clicking on *Show Packages* displays the available packages for the desired time period.



Next, the totals are displayed. Some systems make you enter more information before you can see the totals. We allow you an easy method to quote a stay.

The screenshot shows a window titled "Rate totals...". It contains two sections: "Reservation Info" and "Rate Info".

Reservation Info:

- Arrive: 2/12/2010
- Depart: 2/16/2010
- Nights: 4
- Room Type: 1BR
- Building: C
- Room: C207
- Rate: 2 or More Night

Rate Info:

Item	Rate	Total
2 or More Night	1 Bedroom	\$99.00
Rate	\$99.00	\$396.00
Add On		
Discount		
Tax	\$13.89	\$55.58
Service Charge		
Fees	\$40.00	\$40.00
Total	\$152.89	\$491.58

At the bottom right of the window are two buttons: "Back" (with a left arrow) and "Next" (with a right arrow).

At this point, the user can add any additional charges (crib, extra person, pet fees, etc.) to the reservation. Also, any discounts can be taken. This example adds an extra \$25 reservation fee and \$10 cleaning fee to the reservation. These can be overridden with the correct password.

Previous guests can be searched by various criteria, or clicking on *New* allows the user to enter a new guest's information.

The screenshot shows a window titled "Search Database". It has three main sections:

- Database:** A dropdown menu with "Guest" selected.
- Field:** A section titled "Choose a field to search on..." with radio buttons for: Last Name (selected), Reservation Number, Group Name, Arrival Date, Company Name, Phone, and Email.
- Search:** A text input field containing "Crad". To the right of the input field are three buttons: "New" (with a person icon), "Find" (with a magnifying glass icon), and "Back" (with a left arrow icon).

When dealing with a previous guest, you rarely need to touch the keyboard to create a reservation.

This example shows all previous guests whose last name starts with S.

Choose the guest by double clicking the name.

The screenshot shows a 'Search Database' window with a search criteria field containing the letter 'S'. Below the search controls is a table of guest records:

Number	Name	Address	City	State	Zip	Phone	Group
12	Sanders, James	1 Fowl Road	Nashville	TN	32489		
51	Skywalker, Annican						
52	Skywalker, Luke						
25	Smith, Joe						First Baptist Church
20	Smoltz, John	1 Tomahawk Road	Atlanta	GA	33333	222-222-2222	Hall of Fame
44	Stansfield, Lisa						Hanna Barbara
40	Streisand, Barbara						Fowl Watchers of A

This example shows a guest who is a member of a group and their room charges will be billed to a master bill. The user can choose how this guest heard of the property and can choose from an unlimited number of confirmation letters. The letter can either be emailed or printed.

The screenshot shows a 'Create Reservation' window with the following details:

- Reservation Info:** Reservation 202955, Arrive 2/12/2010, Depart 2/19/2010, Nights 7, Room Type Single/Hot Tub, Building Main, Room 103, Rate Daily.
- Guest Info:** Last Sanders, First James, Middle (empty), Surname Col.
- Company:** Kentucky Fried Chicken
- Address:** Address1 1 Fowl Road, City Nashville, State TN, Zip 32489.
- Group:** Chicken Fryers of America, Master Bill 148667.
- How Heard:** How Heard, Travel Agent, Letter.
- Housekeeper Remarks:** (empty)
- Charges:**

Category	Rate	Total
Daily	\$89.00	\$89.00
Room	\$89.00	\$623.00
Taxes	\$8.90	\$62.30
Service Charge		
Fees		
Total	\$97.90	\$685.30

Next we get deposit and credit card information.

Enter deposit information

Deposit

No deposit required
 Request deposit
 Credit Card on file to hold room
 Deposit required
 Transfer existing deposit
 Vacation Club

Due: 1/28/2010

Amount: 129.00

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Enter credit card information

Credit Card

Use existing credit card
 Use new credit card

Reservation Info

Reservation: 202955
 Arrive: 2/11/2010
 Depart: 2/13/2010
 Nights: 2
 Room Type: Ocean Front
 Building: Main
 Room: 301
 Rate: Corporate

Type: Visa

Number: 4444000011112222 Expire Date: 06/13

Holder: James Sanders

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

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Now we can review the information then click finish to complete the reservation process.

Finalize reservation

Reservation Info

Reservation: 202955
 Arrive: 2/11/2010
 Depart: 2/13/2010
 Nights: 2
 Room Type: Ocean Front
 Building: Main
 Room: 301
 Rate: Corporate

Deposit Info

Deposit required
 Due: 1/28/2010
 Amount: \$129.00
 Type: Visa
 Number: 4444000011112222
 Expire: 0613
 Holder: James Sanders

Guest Info

James Sanders
 1 Fowl Road
 Nashville, TN 32489

Rate Info

Corporate: \$129.00
 Total rate: \$258.00
 Total add ons: \$0.00
 Total discount:
 Total taxes: \$25.80
 Total service charge: \$0.00
 Total fees: \$0.00
 Total stay: \$283.80

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