The Royal Caribbean’s new ship, Quantum of the Seas, has gone above and beyond, in terms of serving up a futuristic ship for its guests. This is the first smartship with amazingly futuristic features and it has set the bar for cruise ships to come. Let’s take a little look at all the services available.

**Bionic Bar**

So you probably haven’t heard of robots working bars, outside of Sci-Fi fiction. But working with developers, Quantum of the Seas had developed bionic arms (previously used to make cars) and programmed them with the movements of an Italian dancer! These arms work within a millimetre of accuracy and will make your drink however you want it (shaken or stirred!), when you order from the interface, by scanning in your wristband. Which brings us to...

**NFC-Enabled Wristband**

This wristband makes your ship life a lot easier. If you need to pay for something, make a reservation, or gain access to your room, all you have to do is swipe your wristband and it’s done in an instant. This seems to be one of the features guests of the Quantum of the Seas like the most, and it’s a vast improvement on the usual ship cards.

**Luggage Tracker**

Although Quantum of the Seas says they never lose a suitcase, it gives passengers peace of mind to know where their luggage is. Trackers are placed on your baggage, and through an app, you can see where your luggage is and if it is in your room yet.

**Wi-Fi**

A problem for most cruises is providing internet connection for their guests (cruise ships just don’t have the capacity), so they usually charge a small fortune for the luxury of using the Wi-Fi. On Quantum of the Seas, they’ve completely changed this. Using satellite technology, guests can use the internet and stay connected for an affordable daily price.

**High Tech Entertainment**

Using robotic screens, Quantum of the Seas can provide exciting entertainment like never before. Two70, the ever-changing living room, can adapt from a seating area to a performance stage, lit up by no less than 18 projectors.

**North Star**

The North Star is a pod that can lift you 300 feet above sea level, and is one of the most popular attractions on Quantum of the Seas. You will be able to see amazing views, and will be slowly moved around the boat, for a wonderfully panoramic experience.
Skydiving Simulator

Would you like to try skydiving without the risk and cost of jumping out of a plane? Quantum of the Seas has its own skydiving simulator. You will dress up in a rather fetching (ahem) bright blue jumpsuit and launch into a tube of wind, running at 75 miles per hour. And if you get bored of this, you can move on to the surfing simulator (yup).

Virtual Balconies

For those who don’t have their own balconies, you can enjoy a virtual balcony that takes footage from outside the ship, to give you the feeling of a more premium room at a lower price. You can book a suite for the whole family, without having to compromise on those lovely sea views.