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Communications done better

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Timely and professional communications improve the guest experience

5.4

Communications per booking

4.18 mil

year-to-date emails sent from Escapia

Communications in Escapia

500k+

year-to-date rental agreements sent from Escapia

Majority of communications are sent before the stay

Vacation rental

Lifecycle	% msgs	Торіс
Pre-book	4%	 Property info (amenities) Traveler info (purpose of trip, traveler party) Discount
Booking date	20%	 Invalid credit cards Traveler info Booking confirmation
Pre-stay	61%	 Property info Res changes Access info (smartlock, keypad, etc.) Welcome info (Wi-Fi)
In-stay	8%	Property info
Checkout / Post-stay	7%	 Checkout info Review solicitation Financial reconciliation

Source: Vrbo internal data, 2023.

Pre-stay communications

Property information

Access information Welcome information



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Agenda

What's next?

Coming Soon! 2-way text

The new experience best practices

Communications Hub

The new experience best practices

Templates

Rental agreements

The new experience

best practices

The new experience best practices

Rental agreements



It's easier than ever to create and send rental agreements in Escapia

	Before	After
Rental agreements	Glad To Have You	Escapia's
Resend rental agreement	Glad To Have You	Rental Agreement Templates &
Rental agreement status	Run report	Dashboard

Templates	Communications Hub Inbox Rental Agreements	Crea	ate new template
	Templates		
C Search templates			Filters

Showing 5 of 5 templates

Name	Template type	Date modified	Status	Actions
Rental Agreement - (Owner & Guest) ABC Property Management 123 Vacation WaySanibel, FL 33957RESERVATION DETAILS:Arrival Date: [Arrival date (international format)] Number of Adults: [Nu	Rental Agreement	9/19/2023	Active	Edit Delete
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Rental Agreement - Gulf Rentals [Line for Guest Signature]test[Booking charge total][Tax total for rent and grouped charges][Booking charges table Default (rental charge, security	Rental Agreement	5/30/2023	Active	Edit Delete
Boat Addendum Hello [Guest first name]	Addendum	3/2/2023	Inactive	Edit Delete
Pet Addendum [Pets]	Addendum	2/24/2023	Active	Edit Delete

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Best practices

Choose how and when rental agreements are sent to your guests

- Automate agreement sending via automation triggers
- Leverage optional owner signature after guest completion
- Set source categories and opt-out by marketing channel as needed
- Create addendums for units with pets, pools, and more



Templates



All templates all in one place

	Before	After
Creating templates	Glad to Have You, Escapia,	New Templates
Scheduling templates	other services	Editor





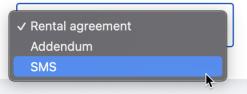
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What type of template are you creating?









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What type of template are you creating?

Template type SMS

Template name

This will help you find this template in search. Template names are not seen by guests.

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* Name your template

Write a custom message to the guest

Add a message.

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* Type your message here

Select which units this template will apply to

The template will be added to all units by default. Click on the "edit units" link to undate



Best practices

Set up custom templates to work smarter

- Standardize regular communications by using templates for email, rental agreements and text
- Automate workflows with scheduled templates
- Use new preview feature to review templates prior to sending



Communications Hub Inbox



Centralize multiple workstreams into one Hub

	Before	After	
Manage inquiries	3 rd party		0
Receive email	Outlook/Gmail, 3 rd party	Escapia Communications Hub Inbox	0
Send email	Outlook/Gmail, 3 rd party		

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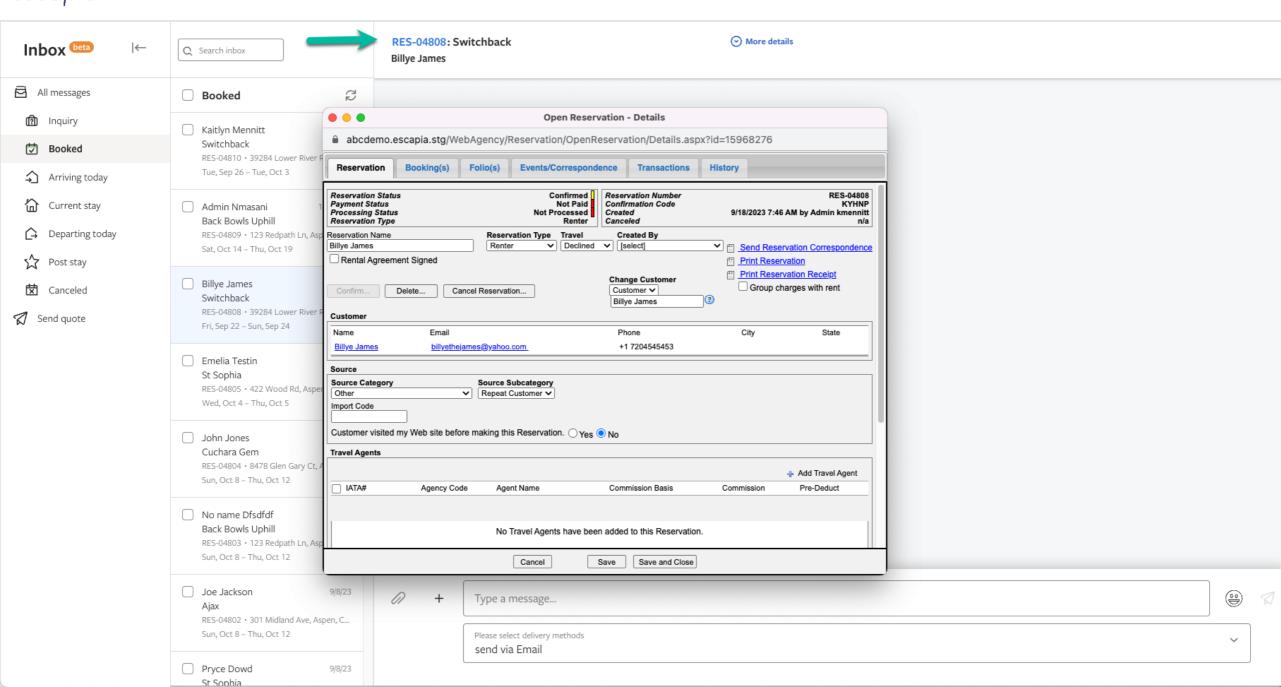
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Setting Name	Value	
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Inquiry Email Recipients		Edit
Reservation Email Recipients		Edit
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Best practices

Send, receive, and track guest communications in a unified inbox

- Stay organized with grouping categories (inquiry, booking, arriving today, post stay, and more)
- Easily find inquiries from Vrbo and existing bookings by name, reservation, or keywords from conversation thread
- Switch messages to an "unread" status as a reminder for follow-up



Coming soon! 2-way text messaging with call forwarding



Incorporate text messaging into your operational flow

	Before	After	
Schedule mobile communications	Glad To Have You	Escapia Communications Hub	
2-way text messaging	3 rd party	Inbox	

Coming soon!

2-way text messaging with call forwarding

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Best practices

Reach guests on the go with text functionality

- Review your current communications flow to determine which messages to send via email, text, or both
- Send priority messages right to a guest's phone with text
- Send manually or automatically
- Use sparingly!!!!!

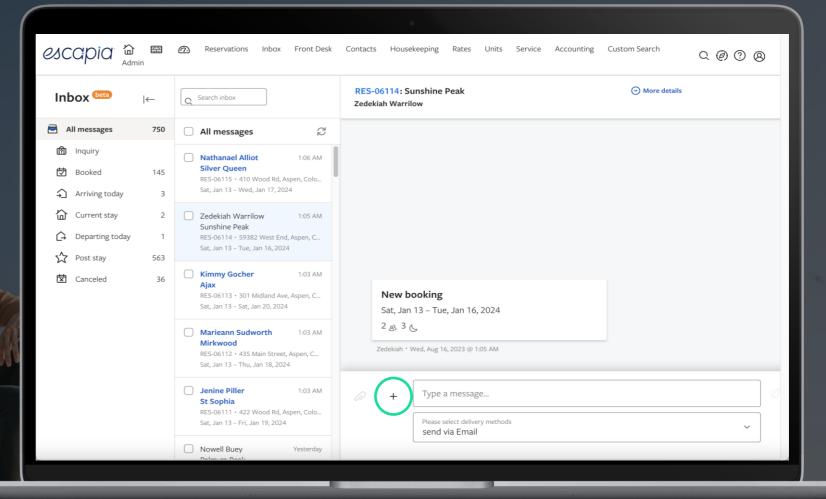


More coming soon!



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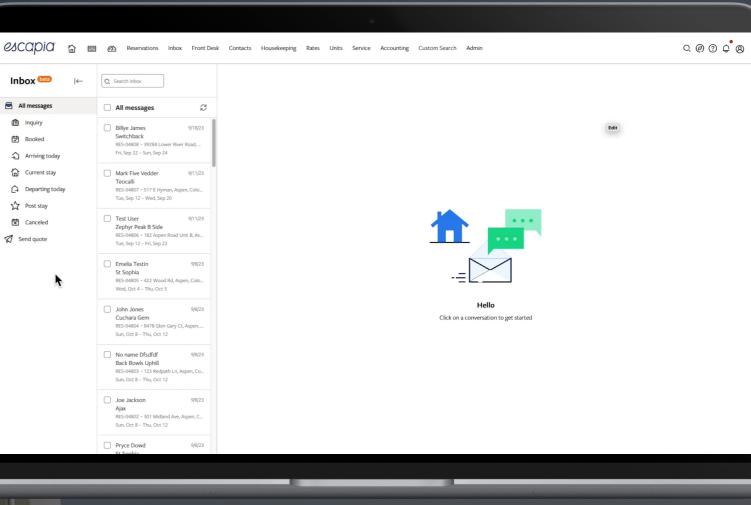
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Email templates & scheduling

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Schedule automatic sending (optional) Set up automatic sending to the guests you want to react Send before Arrival day at 4:00 PM		
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Coming soon! Multi-quote





Enabling you to run your business your way

Choose how and when rental agreements are sent to your guests

Work smarter with custom templates

Send, receive, and track guest communications in a unified inbox

Better manage inquiries in Escapia's Communications Hub Send priority messages to guests on the go with 2-way text

FREE Professional Services (normally \$250 per hour!)

Topics

- Vrbo Health & Wellness
- Rates Manager
- New Unit Editor, Owners, Contracts
- Reservations
- Housekeeping
- Service Orders
- Correspondence
- Owner Portal

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