

Ambrym Island, Malampa, Vanuatu

One of the Pacific's rawest adventure stops — two active volcanic cones, a vast volcanic caldera, and living traditions that have survived untouched for centuries. Ambrym rewards the curious and the intrepid.

 Tender port (anchor offshore)  Typical call: 6–8 hrs  Vanuatu Vatu (USD widely accepted)  Bislama, English, French

MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____	Arrive: _____	All aboard: _____
Excursion: _____	Notes: _____	

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Tender only — ships anchor offshore, Zodiacs or tenders ferry to Port Vato village landing

Best For: Volcano adventurers, cultural immersion, photography, off-the-beaten-track travellers

Walk to centre: Port Vato village is steps from the tender landing; volcano treks are 4–5 hrs each way by foot

Don't Miss: Marum and Benbow volcanic craters, the Rom masked dance, Ambrym sand drawings

 Getting around:  **Rideshare**  not available

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Volcano Trek to Mount Marum & Mount Benbow** — Hike across the vast ash plain to the rim of one — or both — of Ambrym's legendary craters.
- **Rom Dance & Black Magic Ceremony** — In villages like Fanla and Ranon, masked Rom dancers perform one of Vanuatu's most sacred rituals.
- **Sand Drawing & Traditional Carving Villages** — Ambrym sand drawing is UNESCO-recognised intangible heritage.
- **Lonwok Crater Lake** — A deep crater lake formed by the catastrophic 1913 eruption — once a sheltered lagoon, it was sealed off into a lake by...
- **Zodiac & Snorkel Along the Coast** — Some expedition lines offer Zodiac cruises along Ambrym's volcanic coastline, with snorkelling in clear, warm waters.

BEST WALKS

- **Port Vato Village Stroll** 30–45 min · Flat · No guide needed — From the tender landing, a short walk through Port Vato village lets you meet locals, browse carvings laid out for sale, and absorb...
- **Coastal Path to Neighbouring Village** 1–1.5 hrs · Easy · Informal track — A rough coastal track leads north from Port Vato toward smaller hamlets.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)				 DAYLIGHT &  MONEY	
Mon	High	Low	Rain	Apr 5:55AM–5:39PM · Jun 6:13AM–5:22PM · Aug 6:05AM–5:38PM · Sep 5:43AM–5:42PM · Oct 5:20AM–5:46PM	
Apr	71°	64°	23d	 Vanuatu Vatu (USD widely accepted)	
Jun	68°	61°	19d		
Aug	66°	60°	20d		
Sep	67°	61°	19d		
Oct	69°	62°	23d		

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Check volcanic alert levels before the call day. Vanuatu's VMGD publishes real-time bulletins — your ship will also monitor. High alert can cancel volcano excursions at short...

Wear proper footwear for any island trek — ash plains turn to sticky mud in rain, and volcanic rock is sharp. No flip-flops.