

Bastia, Corsica, France

Corsica's lived-in capital rewards walkers with a Genoese citadel above a pastel old port, an enormous café-terrace square, and the dramatic peninsula of Cap Corse beckoning just north.

 Docked (most ships); tender for very large vessels  Typical call: 7-9 hrs  Euro (€)  French / Corsican

MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Commercial pier (Port de Commerce) adjacent to city centre; ~500 m to Place Saint-Nicolas

Best For: History, café culture, scenic coastal drives, Corsican food & wine

Walk to centre: 5–10 min flat walk to Place Saint-Nicolas; 20 min to Old Port & Citadel

Don't Miss: Terra Nova Citadel and the Aldilonda clifftop walkway above the sea

 Getting around:  Taxi  €7–€10 ·  Rideshare  Uber

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Terra Nova Citadel & Musée de Bastia** — Climb into the Genoese citadel quarter whose fortified lanes and governors' palace have dominated Bastia's skyline for...
- **Cap Corse Coastal Drive** — The wild finger of Cap Corse stretches 40 km north of Bastia, lined with Genoese towers, fishing villages like...
- **Patrimonio Wine Tasting** — Patrimonio, about 18 km northwest of Bastia toward Saint-Florent, is Corsica's oldest AOC wine region, producing...
- **Aldilonda Clifftop Walkway** — A suspended pedestrian path carved into the cliffs below the Citadel, the Aldilonda hugs the sea with views across to...
- **Place Saint-Nicolas Market & Café Culture** — One of France's largest squares, Place Saint-Nicolas is lined with plane trees, café terraces, and a bandstand.

BEST WALKS

- **Old Town Loop: Place Saint-Nicolas to Citadel & Back** 3–4 km · 1.5–2 hrs · Moderate (hilly return) — Start at Place Saint-Nicolas and walk south along the quays to the Vieux Port.
- **Waterfront Promenade to Erbalunga** ~10 km round-trip · 2.5 hrs · Easy-Moderate — From the pier follow the coast road north through the marina district and along the bay to the charming fishing village of Erbalunga...

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)				 DAYLIGHT &  MONEY	
Mon	High	Low	Rain	Apr 6:40AM–8:04PM · Jun 5:43AM–9:01PM · Aug 6:29AM–8:23PM · Sep 7:02AM–7:31PM · Oct 7:35AM–6:39PM	
Apr	63°	52°	8d	Euro (€)	
Jun	78°	67°	6d		
Aug	84°	72°	5d		
Sep	78°	67°	8d		
Oct	71°	61°	9d		

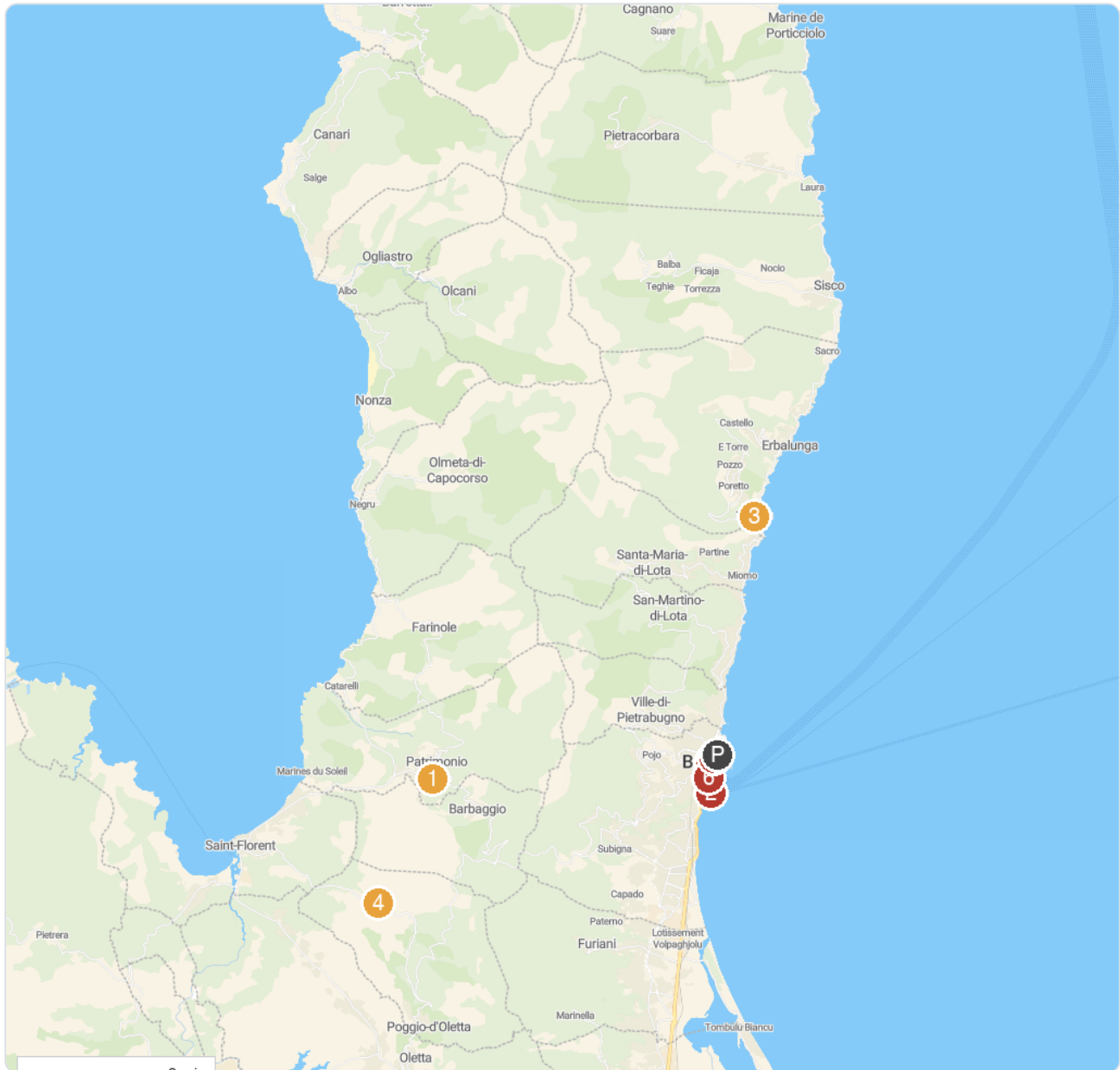
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Wear good shoes. The Terra Nova Citadel and old town involve steep cobblestone lanes and stairs — flip-flops are a bad idea.
- Free shuttle from the pier. Many ships and the port authority run a complimentary shuttle to Place Saint-Nicolas — check the

Bastia, Corsica, France — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



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| 1 Clos de Bernardi | A family-run vineyard offering wine tastings and tours. | 2 Palais des Gouverneurs | Historic Governors' Palace, now a museum with city views. |
| 3 Sanctuaire - Église Notre-Dame de Lavasina par Brando | Historic pilgrimage church, home to a miraculous Virgin Mary painting. | 4 VIGNOBLE YVES LECCIA | Visit this renowned vineyard for exceptional Corsican wine tasting. |
| 5 Place Saint Nicolas | Bastia's large main square, perfect for a stroll. | 6 Église Saint Jean-Baptiste | Grand Baroque church, Bastia's largest, overlooking the Old Port. |
| 7 Le Petit Train de Bastia | Enjoy a scenic city tour on Bastia's little tourist train. | P Cruise port / terminal | |