

Brussels, Belgium

Belgium's grand capital rewards cruisers with a UNESCO World Heritage main square, Baroque guild halls dripping in gold, and streets thick with the smell of waffles and chocolate. River ships berth at the Brussels Cruise Terminal on the Brussels-Scheldt Maritime Canal, a short ride from the historic centre.

 Docked at Brussels Cruise Terminal  Typical call: full day or overnight  Euro (€)  French, Dutch (English widely spoken)

🗓 MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Brussels Cruise Terminal on the Brussels-Scheldt Maritime Canal, in the city's northwest. No tender — direct berth.

Transfer to centre: ~15-20 min by taxi, tram, or metro to the Grand Place area

Best For: History, food culture, architecture, EU politics buffs, chocolate & beer lovers

Don't Miss: Grand Place at golden hour — arguably Europe's finest city square

 Getting around:  Taxi  €10–€20 to city center ·  Rideshare  Uber, Bolt ·  Hop-on hop-off  Tootbus

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Grand Place & Old Town Walking Tour** — Brussels' showpiece square is a UNESCO World Heritage Site ringed by ornate 17th-century guild halls and the soaring...
- **Belgian Chocolate & Beer Tasting** — Belgium produces some of the world's finest chocolate and hundreds of artisan beers.
- **Atomium & Mini-Europe** — The Atomium — a 102-metre steel atom built for the 1958 World's Fair — remains Brussels' most striking landmark.
- **EU Quarter & Parliamentarium** — Brussels is the de-facto capital of the European Union.
- **Royal Museums of Fine Arts** — Belgium's premier art collection spans Old Masters to modern Surrealism, including the world's largest Magritte Museum.

BEST WALKS

- **Grand Place to the Atomium** ~3 km city walk + metro | 1.5 hrs — Start at the Grand Place for the guild halls, then detour to Manneken Pis a block south.
- **Mont des Arts Panorama Loop** ~1.5 km | 45 min — From the Grand Place walk up to Mont des Arts garden for panoramic views of the city skyline.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		58°	41°	10d
Jun		72°	55°	10d
Aug		73°	58°	12d
Sep		68°	54°	11d
Oct		60°	49°	13d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY

Apr 6:48AM–8:38PM · Jun 5:28AM–9:57PM · Aug 6:30AM–9:02PM ·
Sep 7:18AM–7:56PM · Oct 8:06AM–6:49PM
Euro (€)

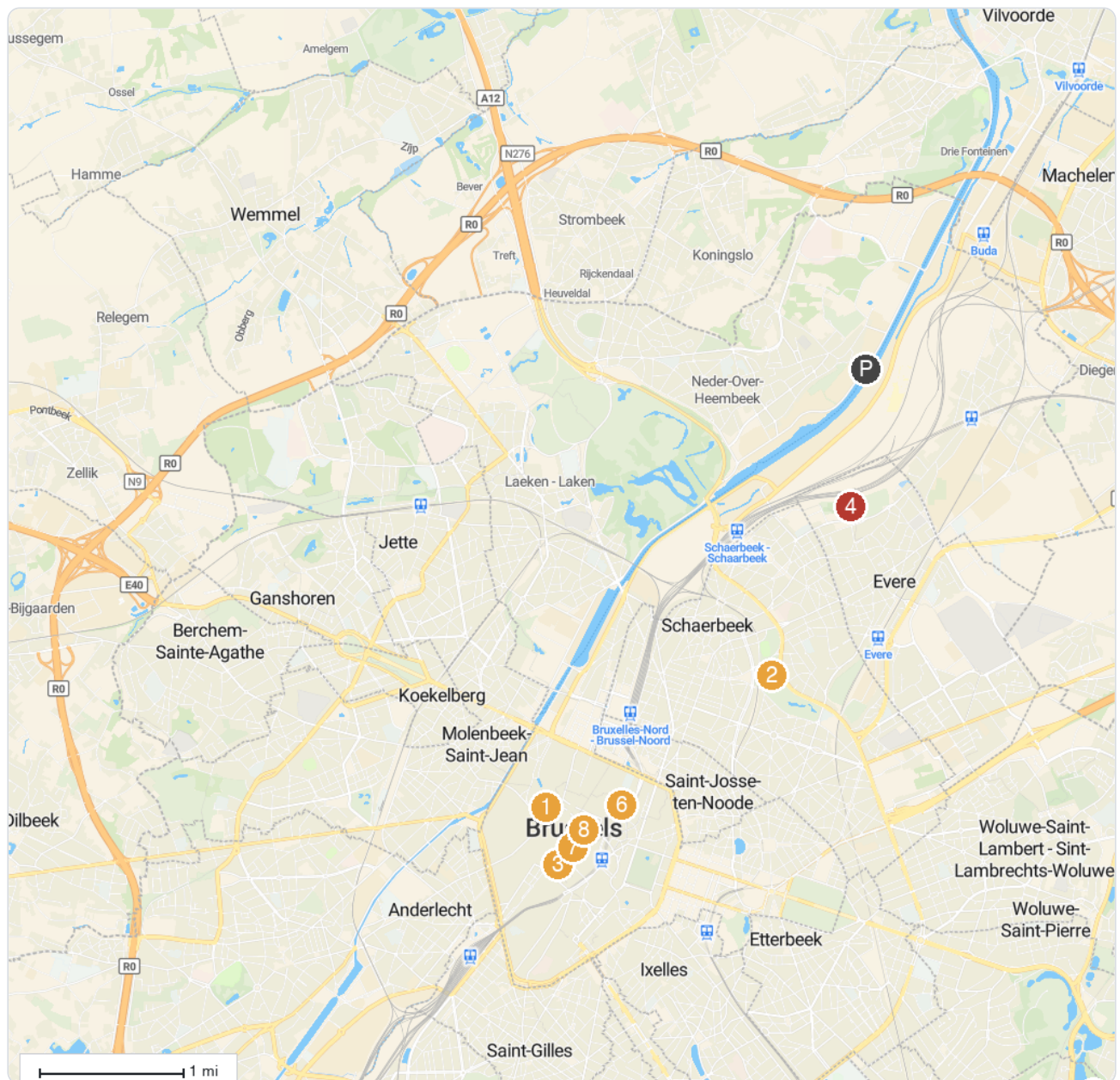
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Mind your all-aboard time. The terminal is in the city, so getting back is quick, but build in a buffer for traffic and tram delays — missing the ship is an expensive mistake

Brussels, Belgium — 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 Saint Catherine Catholic Church | Historic Catholic church in the heart of Brussels. | 2 Josaphat Park | Large urban park with ponds, trees, and recreation areas. |
| 3 Manneken Pis | Famous small bronze statue of a peeing boy. | 4 Moeraske | Protected natural wetland area for wildlife and walks. |
| 5 Château de la Solitude | Historic royal château, now a private residence. | 6 Comics Art Museum Brussels | Museum dedicated to Belgian comic strip art. |
| 7 Grand Place | Brussels' central historic market square with guildhalls. | 8 Jeanneke Pis | Lesser-known bronze statue of a peeing girl. |
| P Cruise port / terminal | | | |