

Catalina Island, California, USA

Twenty-six miles off the Southern California coast, Avalon charms cruise visitors with turquoise waters, a beloved Art Deco ballroom, and resident bison roaming the island's rugged interior. Everything worth seeing is steps from the tender pier.

 Tender port (no cruise pier)  Typical call: 7-9 hrs  USD  English  No passport needed

MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Anchor & tender — ships anchor in Avalon Bay; tender boats land at Green Pleasure Pier

Best For: Snorkeling, glass-bottom boat tours, golf-cart sightseeing, Art Deco history

Walk to town: Immediate — Avalon's shops, restaurants, and beach are steps from the tender dock

Don't Miss: Catalina Casino landmark (not a gambling hall), Wrigley Memorial & Botanic Garden

 Getting around:  **Taxi**  \$5.95 meter start + \$1.60/min ·  **Rideshare**  not available

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Glass-Bottom Boat & Semi-Submersible Tour** — Peer into Avalon's kelp forests and Lover's Cove Marine Preserve without getting wet.
- **Catalina Zip-Line Eco Tour** — Five zip-lines fly you over Descanso Canyon at up to 45 mph with sweeping views of the harbor and Pacific.
- **Catalina Casino Tour** — The 1929 Art Deco landmark was never a gambling house — 'casino' is Italian for 'little house' and here signifies a...
- **Jeep Interior Eco-Tour** — Venture beyond Avalon into Catalina's rugged backcountry to spot the island's famous bison herd, golden eagles, island...
- **Snorkeling at Casino Point Dive Park** — Avalon's Casino Point is an official underwater park with exceptional visibility.

BEST WALKS

- **Avalon Waterfront Stroll** 1 mile · Flat · 30–45 min — Walk Crescent Avenue from Green Pleasure Pier west to the Catalina Casino, passing boutique shops, the Catalina Island Museum...
- **Hermit Gulch Trail** 2 miles round-trip · Moderate · 1–1.5 hrs — Head up Avalon Canyon Road from town to pick up this trail past the campground.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 **CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)**

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		64°	57°	2d
Jun		67°	61°	1d
Aug		73°	66°	1d
Sep		73°	66°	1d
Oct		72°	64°	1d

 **DAYLIGHT &  MONEY**

Apr 6:22AM–7:24PM · Jun 5:43AM–8:04PM · Aug 6:16AM–7:38PM · Sep 6:37AM–6:58PM · Oct 6:58AM–6:19PM

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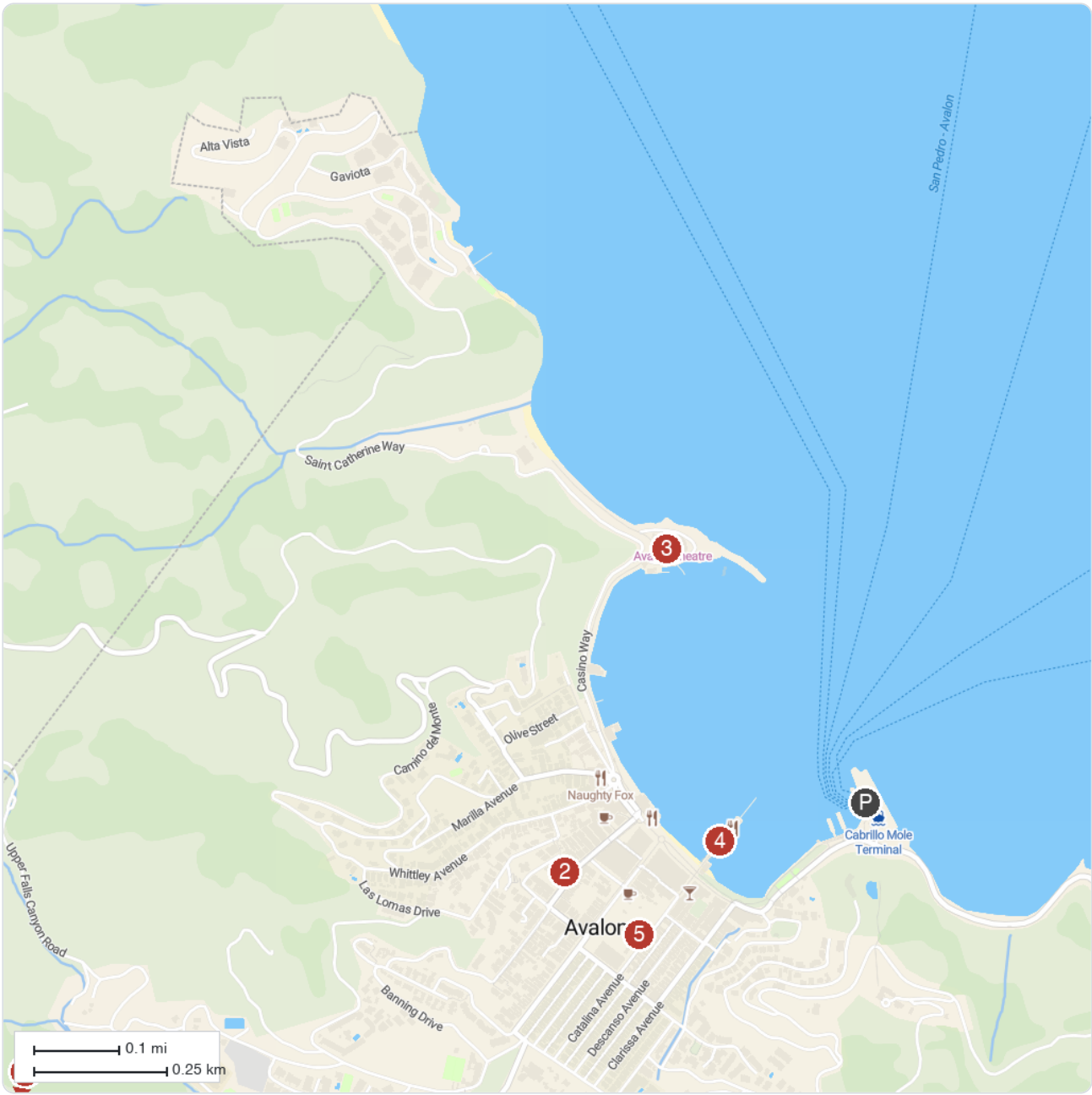
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Collect a tender ticket early. On busy days (especially with multiple ships in port) tender lines back up fast. Head to the tender staging area as soon as it opens.
- Golf carts are worth it. Rentals run ~\$40–60/hr for a 4-person cart and unlock viewpoints and the Casino area that walkers often

Catalina Island, California, USA — 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 Wrigley Memorial | A beautiful memorial and botanical garden dedicated to William Wrigley Jr. | 2 Catalina Museum For Art & History | A museum showcasing Catalina's art, history, and culture. |
| 3 Casino Ballroom | A historic, grand ballroom inside the iconic Catalina Casino. | 4 Catalina Island Company Ticket Booth | The place to buy tickets for island tours and activities. |
| 5 IMMERSED | An immersive underwater experience showcasing Catalina's marine life. | P Cruise port / terminal | |