

Catania, Sicily, Italy

Sicily's second city wears its volcanic heart on its sleeve — black lava-stone Baroque palaces, a roaring fish market, and the brooding cone of Mount Etna looming at the end of every street.

 Docked (cruise terminal)  Typical call: 8-10 hrs  Euro (€)  Italian

🚢 MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Berths at Stazione Marittima (Catania Cruise Port); up to 5 ships at Pier 25 and Sporgente Centrale

Best For: Baroque architecture, Mount Etna tours, Taormina day trips, Sicilian food

Walk to center: ~15-20 min on foot (1.5 km) to Piazza del Duomo; flat and straightforward

Don't Miss: La Pescheria fish market (mornings), Fontana dell'Elefante, a cable car up Etna

 Getting around:  Taxi  €5–€10 ·  Rideshare  Uber ·  Hop-on hop-off  Hop-on hop-off · from €15

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Mount Etna Volcano** — Europe's most active volcano dominates the Catania skyline.
- **Taormina & Ancient Greek Theater** — Sicily's most photogenic hill town perches 200 m above the Ionian Sea.
- **Syracuse & Ortygia Island** — One of the greatest Greek cities of antiquity, Syracuse features the Neapolis Archaeological Park (Greek theater, Roman...)
- **Catania Food & Market Tour** — La Pescheria, the raucous fish market behind the cathedral, is a riot of swordfish, sea urchins, and vendor theater.
- **Baroque Catania City Walk** — Catania's UNESCO-listed Baroque center was rebuilt entirely in black lava stone after the 1693 earthquake.

BEST WALKS

- **Baroque Core Walk** 2-3 hrs | 3-4 km | Easy | Start: cruise terminal — The classic introduction to Catania.
- **Castle & Gardens Loop** 1.5 hrs | 2.5 km | Easy | Start: Piazza del Duomo — From the cathedral, head southwest to Castello Ursino (the 13th-century Hohenstaufen fortress), then northeast through the Piazza...

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 **CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)**

Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr	68°	53°	6d
Jun	84°	69°	3d
Aug	90°	75°	2d
Sep	84°	70°	8d
Oct	75°	63°	8d

 **DAYLIGHT &  MONEY**

Apr 6:25AM–7:34PM · Jun 5:38AM–8:22PM · Aug 6:16AM–7:51PM · Sep 6:41AM–7:07PM · Oct 7:08AM–6:22PM

Euro (€)

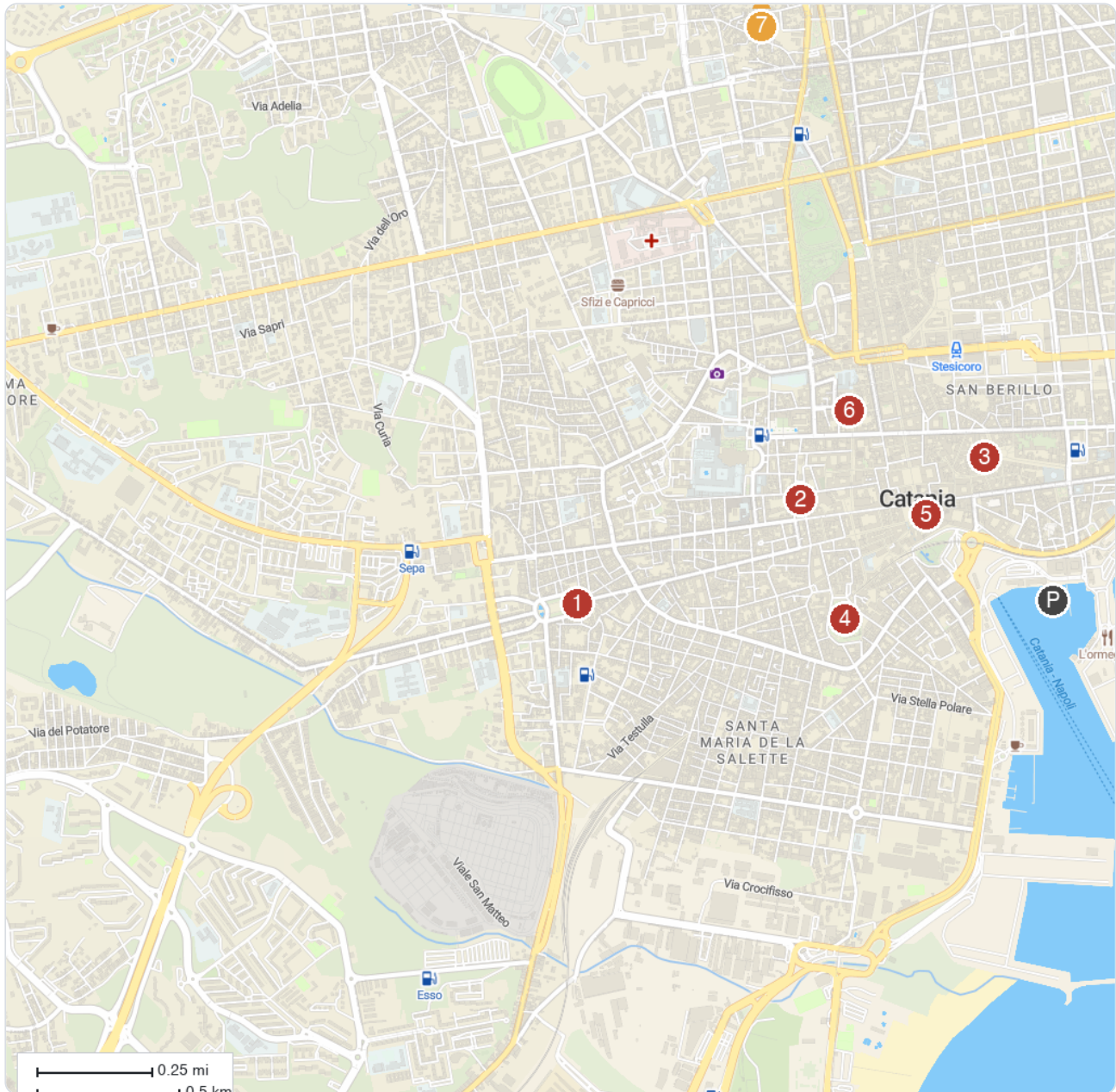
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Summers are fierce. July–August sees 35°C+ heat with high humidity. Carry water, start sightseeing early, and shade up by midday. Spring (April–May) is far more comfortable.
- Visit La Pescheria in the morning. The fish market winds down by 12:30 — arrive before 11am for full energy and the best photo opportunities.

Catania, Sicily, Italy — 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 Porta Garibaldi | Historic triumphal arch commemorating Ferdinand I's visit. | 2 Roman Odeon | Ancient Roman small theater for music and poetry. |
| 3 Massimo Bellini Theater | Grand opera house named after composer Vincenzo Bellini. | 4 Ursino Castle | 13th-century royal castle, now home to the Civic Museum. |
| 5 Basilica Cattedrale di Sant'Agata | Catania's main cathedral, dedicated to Saint Agatha. | 6 Church of St. Camillus | Historic Baroque church with impressive frescoes and art. |
| 7 Parco Gioeni | Large urban park offering green space and city views. | P Cruise port / terminal | |