

Cayenne, French Guiana, France

France's slice of the Amazon: a sun-baked colonial capital where Creole spice markets share space with the European Space Agency's rocket pads, and the infamous Devil's Island sits just offshore.

 Docked (Degrad des Cannes pier)

 Typical call: 8-10 hrs

 Currency: Euro

 Language: French

 Tropical climate — pack light rain gear

👉 MY DAY IN PORT

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

Excursion: _____ Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Degrad des Cannes commercial port, ~13 km from city center on the Mahury River estuary

Walk to center: Not walkable from port — taxis or ship shuttles required; ~15-20-min ride to Place des Palmistes

Best For: History buffs, space enthusiasts, wildlife seekers, and anyone curious about French overseas territories

Don't Miss: A boat tour to the Salvation Islands (Île Royale ruins) or the Guiana Space Centre in Kourou

🚗 Getting around: 🚗 **Taxi** ✅ \$65–\$80 · 📱 **Rideshare** ❌ not available

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Salvation Islands — Île Royale & Devil's Island** — The most iconic excursion from this region.
- **Cayenne City & Creole Market Walk** — Explore Place des Palmistes — the palm-lined central square — then browse the lively Place du Coq market on Rue du...
- **Guiana Space Centre (Centre Spatial Guyanais), Kourou** — Tour the European Space Agency's primary launch facility, one of the best spaceports open to visitors worldwide.
- **Rorota Trail — Jungle Hike** — A 2.5-hour circular hike through dense Amazonian rainforest just 10 km from Cayenne.
- **Montjoly Beach** — A long, wild Atlantic beach about 10 km east of Cayenne — sandy, uncrowded, and backed by palms.

BEST WALKS

- **Place des Palmistes to Fort Cépérou** ~2 km • 1.5 hrs • Easy–moderate — Start at Place des Palmistes, Cayenne's grand central square framed by royal palms.
- **Montabo Coastal Trail** ~3 km • 1 hr • Easy — A leafy coastal trail west of Cayenne city, winding through secondary forest along the shoreline.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 **CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)**

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		82°	75°	27d
Jun		83°	74°	29d
Aug		86°	75°	22d
Sep		88°	76°	14d
Oct		88°	76°	14d

 **DAYLIGHT &  MONEY**

Apr 6:22AM–6:35PM · Jun 6:17AM–6:42PM · Aug 6:25AM–6:41PM · Sep 6:20AM–6:28PM · Oct 6:14AM–6:15PM

Currency: Euro

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Euro cash is essential. French Guiana uses the euro; card acceptance outside major hotels and supermarkets is unreliable. ATMs in central Cayenne are the safest source.

Cayenne, French Guiana, 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 Museum of Guyanese Cultures | Explore Guyanese history and culture at this museum. | 2 Musée Alexandre-Franconie | Discover local history and art at this departmental museum. |
| 3 Cathédrale Saint-Sauveur | Visit Cayenne's main Catholic cathedral, a historic landmark. | 4 Jardin Botanique | Stroll through a beautiful botanical garden with diverse plants. |
| 5 Place des Amandiers | Relax in this charming public square with almond trees. | 6 Phare de Fort Cépérrou | See the historic lighthouse near Fort Cépérrou's ruins. |
| 7 Plage de Montabo | Enjoy a relaxing swim or stroll on this city beach. | 8 Salines de Montjoly | Observe diverse birdlife in these scenic coastal salt marshes. |
| P Cruise port / terminal | | | |