

Champagne Bay, Espiritu Santo, Vanuatu

A naturally effervescent bay where volcanic springs bubble up through white sand — one of the most photogenic tender stops in the South Pacific. Facilities are minimal; the beauty is the point.

- ⚓ Tender port (no pier for ships)
- 🕒 Typical call: 6-8 hrs
- 🏠 Vanuatu Vatu (VUV); AUD widely accepted
- 🗣️ Bislama, English & French
- 🏖️ Beach & snorkel focus

🍹 MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Tender — ships anchor offshore; passengers ferry to a small beach pier

Walk to center: You step directly onto the beach; Luganville town is ~1 hr (40-60 min) by road

Best For: Beach days, snorkeling, blue-hole excursions, South Pacific scenery

Don't Miss: The volcanic bubbles at the shoreline and a visit to a freshwater blue hole

🚗 Getting around: 🚗 **Taxi** ✅ Negotiated — approx. 10,000–15,000 VUV per person for day tours

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Champagne Beach Day** — Spend the day on one of the South Pacific's most beautiful beaches — powdery white sand, turquoise water, and the...
- **Freshwater Blue Holes** — Espiritu Santo is famous for its jewel-bright blue holes fed by underground springs.
- **Million Dollar Point Snorkel** — After WWII, U.S.
- **Millennium Cave Trek** — A full-day adventure: hike through tropical forest, swim through river passages, and explore Vanuatu's largest cave...
- **Leweton Cultural Village** — Visit a traditional Vanuatu village to experience water music, custom dance, kava ceremony, and local crafts.

BEST WALKS

- **Champagne Beach Stroll** Easy · ~1 km · 20-30 min — Walk the full length of Champagne Beach from the tender pier south along the shoreline.

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Bring cash. No ATMs at Champagne Bay. Vanuatu Vatu (VUV) is preferred; Australian dollars are widely accepted by vendors and local tour operators. Cards are not accepted at the...
- Tender timing matters. Queue early for the last tender back — it can get crowded. Know your all-aboard time and aim to be at the pier 30 minutes early.
- Volcanic bubbles are tide-dependent. The effervescent spring effect is best at low tide. Check tidal times for your call day to see if you'll catch the phenomenon.