

Cousin Island, Seychelles

One of the Indian Ocean's last truly wild islands — fearless seabirds nest inches from your feet, giant tortoises roam freely, and hawksbill turtles come ashore on pristine granite beaches. Only small expedition ships call here, and every visit is a guided, conservation-funded experience.

 Tender — warden boats only (no pier)

 Typical call: 3-4 hrs (Mon–Fri only)

 Entrance fee: ~SCR 600 / €40 per person

 English & Seychellois Creole

 Nature reserve — guided visits only

MY DAY IN PORT

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

Excursion: _____ Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Anchor offshore; transfer to reserve warden patrol boats ~200 m from shore

Don't Miss: Seychelles warbler, Seychelles fody, fearless white terns, giant tortoises

Best For: Wildlife photography, rare endemic birds, hawksbill turtles, pristine beaches

Important Limits: Open Mon–Fri 9:45 am–12:30 pm only; no restaurants, shops, or toilets on island

Getting around:  **Taxi**  SCR 250–600 (~\$15–\$37 USD)

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Guided Nature Walk with Reserve Wardens** — The island's own young conservationists lead a ~90-minute circuit through granite outcrops, coastal forest, and nesting...
- Hawksbill Turtle Watching** — Cousin Island hosts one of the densest nesting populations of hawksbill turtles in the Indian Ocean.
- Birdwatching — Seychelles Endemics** — Cousin Island is one of the last strongholds of the Seychelles warbler and Seychelles fody, both globally threatened...

BEST WALKS

- Guided Island Circuit** ~1.5 km · Easy · ~90 min · Guided only — A single looping trail led by reserve wardens takes in the granite interior, coastal forest, nesting bird colonies, turtle nesting...

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 **CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)**

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		31°	26°	11d
Jun		29°	25°	8d
Aug		28°	24°	8d
Sep		29°	25°	9d
Oct		30°	25°	11d

 **DAYLIGHT &  MONEY**

Apr 6:35AM–8:06PM · Jun 5:32AM–9:10PM · Aug 6:22AM–8:27PM · Sep 6:59AM–7:30PM · Oct 7:37AM–6:34PM

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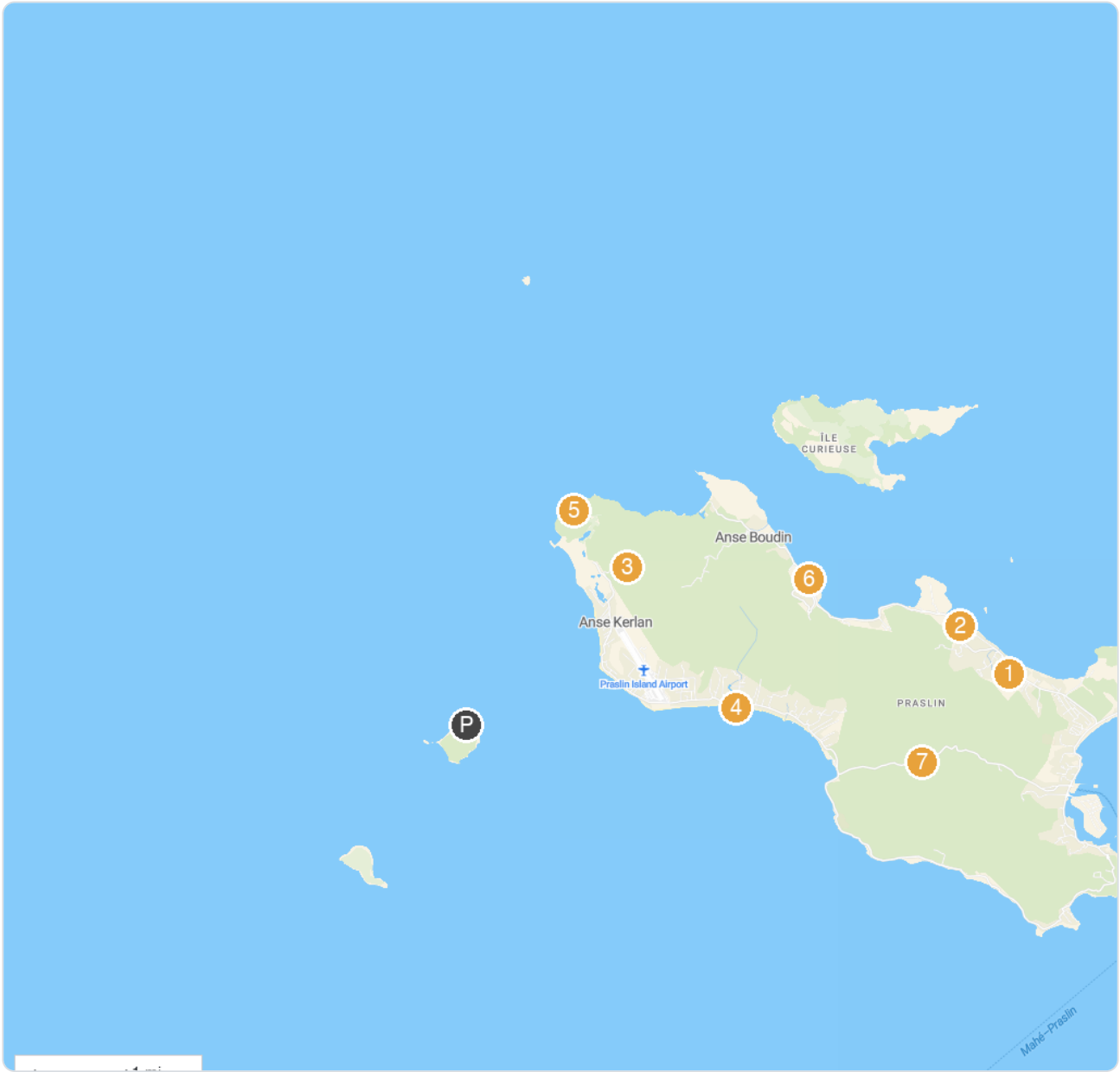
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Apply insect repellent before boarding the warden boat. The island's swamp forest is a mosquito breeding ground with no chemical control. DEET or Picaridin, applied on the ship...
- Wear water-resistant sandals or water shoes. The beach landing gets your feet wet. Flip-flops will be lost; sneakers will stay soaked all visit.
- No flash. no tripods. no selfie sticks. Reserve rules strictly prohibit flash photography and large equipment near nesting birds. A

Cousin Island, Seychelles — 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 Praslin Museum | Explore local culture, history, and traditions of Praslin. | 2 Geoli Charters - Group Tours, Private Charters & Glass Bottom Boat | Book boat tours, private charters, or glass-bottom boat trips. |
| 3 Mont Plaisir to Anse Georgette Nature Trail | Hike a scenic nature trail connecting Mont Plaisir to Anse Georgette. | 4 Grand Anse Beach | Relax on a long, beautiful sandy beach. |
| 5 Anse Georgette | Discover a pristine, secluded beach with turquoise waters. | 6 Anse Takamaka | Enjoy a picturesque beach known for its Takamaka trees. |
| 7 Praslin National Park Waterfall | Visit a beautiful waterfall nestled within Praslin National Park. | P Cruise port / terminal | |