

Diu Island, Gujarat, India

A former Portuguese enclave off the Gujarat coast, Diu is India's 'Island of Calm' — whitewashed colonial streets, an imposing 16th-century sea fort, and quiet beaches — including Blue Flag–certified Ghoghla — without the crowds.

- Tender port
- Typical call: 6–8 hrs
- Indian Rupee (INR) — carry cash
- Gujarati / Hindi / some English
- Alcohol legal (unlike mainland Gujarat)

MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Tender to Diu Bunder Jetty (no cruise pier)

Walk to center: Diu Fort 10 min, town center 15 min

Best For: Colonial history, relaxed beaches, Portuguese architecture

Don't Miss: Naida Caves light show, Diu Fort sea cannons, Gangeshwar Temple at high tide

Getting around: Taxi ₹200–₹600 (~\$2–\$7 USD) · Rideshare not available

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Diu Fort & Old Town Walk** — The Portuguese-built Diu Fort (1535) dominates the eastern tip of the island, surrounded by water on three sides.
- Naida Caves** — Just outside the city wall, this labyrinthine network of rock cavities was quarried by the Portuguese for building stone.
- St. Paul's Church & Diu Museum** — St.
- Nagoa Beach & Hoka Trees** — Diu's most famous horseshoe-shaped beach is lined with the rare Hoka tree (brought from Africa by Portuguese sailors)...
- Gangeshwar Mahadev Temple** — Five ancient Shiva Lingas are carved into coastal rocks at the shoreline.

BEST WALKS

- Fort to Old Town Heritage Walk** 1.5 km · 30 min · Easy — From the Bunder Jetty, walk east along the waterfront to Diu Fort, then loop back west through the old town past St.
- Naida Caves Stroll** Short drive + 20 min on foot · Easy — Tuk-tuk to the Naida Caves parking area (5 min from jetty), then walk the loop through the cave network at your own pace.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)				DAYLIGHT & MONEY	
Mon	High	Low	Rain	Apr 6:27AM–7:04PM · Jun 6:05AM–7:27PM · Aug 6:25AM–7:15PM · Sep 6:33AM–6:48PM · Oct 6:41AM–6:21PM	
Apr	95°	76°	0d		
Jun	90°	81°	15d		
Aug	84°	78°	22d		
Sep	85°	77°	14d		
Oct	90°	76°	4d		

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Carry INR cash. ATMs exist in town but can run out. Most tuk-tuks, temple gates, and small shops are cash-only. ₹500–₹1,000 is plenty for most shore days.
- Negotiate tuk-tuk fares upfront. A full-day tuk-tuk covering fort, caves, beach, and temple runs ₹800–₹1,200 (~\$10–15 USD). Agree before you get in.

Diu Island, Gujarat, India — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



- 1** **GEER Foundation - Haran Udhyan** GEER Foundation's deer park for wildlife conservation and viewing.
- 3** **Dandi Kutir (Salt Mount) Museum** Museum depicting Mahatma Gandhi's Dandi March and life.
- 5** **Indroda Zoo** India's only dinosaur park and a zoological garden.
- 7** **Gandhinagar Riverfront** Scenic riverfront promenade along the Sabarmati River in Gandhinagar.

- 2** **Deer Park** A tranquil park home to various species of deer.
- 4** **The Adalaj Stepwell** Intricate 15th-century stepwell showcasing stunning Indo-Islamic architecture.
- 6** **Sarita Udhyan** A popular garden with a mini-train and children's park.
- P** **Cruise port / terminal**