

Dzaoudzi, Petite-Terre, Mayotte

A French territory tucked in the Mozambique Channel, Mayotte offers one of the world's largest enclosed lagoons, nesting sea turtles, and the surreal emerald-green Lac Dziani — all on a small island barely touched by mass tourism.

 Tender port

 Typical call: 7–9 hrs

 Currency: Euro (€)

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 One of the world's largest lagoons

🚢 MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____

Arrive: _____

All aboard: _____

Excursion: _____

Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Tender — ships anchor in the lagoon; tender to Dzaoudzi Jetty, Petite-Terre

Best For: Snorkeling, sea turtles, volcanic scenery, off-the-beaten-path culture

Walk to center: 5–10 min to Boulevard des Crabes; Lac Dziani needs a taxi (4.5 km)

Don't Miss: Lac Dziani crater hike and a lagoon boat tour for dolphins or humpback whales (Jul–Oct)

🚗 Getting around: 🚗 **Taxi** ✅ ~€1.40–€2.10/ride · 📱 **Rideshare** ❌ not available

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Lac Dziani Crater Hike** — Hike to the rim of an ancient volcanic crater to see the startling emerald-green crater lake, its color driven by...
 - **Lagoon Snorkeling & Dolphin Tour** — Mayotte's double barrier reef encloses one of the largest lagoons in the world.
 - **N'Gouja Beach — Turtles & Lemurs** — Drive across to Grande-Terre for N'Gouja Beach, where giant green sea
- turtles graze in the shallows just meters from...

 - **Historic Dzaoudzi Rock & MUMA Museum** — Walk the old colonial capital: see the former Governor's Palace (a prefabricated metal-frame building by the Moisant...
 - **Moya Beach — Sea Turtle Nesting Site** — A pristine, wild crescent beach on Petite-Terre and one of Mayotte's most important sea turtle nesting sites.

BEST WALKS

- **Dzaoudzi Heritage Walk** 45 min · Easy · Flat · Free — Stroll from the Dzaoudzi Jetty along Boulevard des Crabes — a causeway lined with cafes and views of the turquoise lagoon on both...
- **Pointe Mahabou Sunset Walk** 30 min · Easy · Scenic — A short stroll to Pointe Mahabou on the eastern tip of Petite-Terre, where locals gather for football on the sand and sweeping views...

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 **CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)**

Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr	85°	78°	19d
Jun	81°	75°	6d
Aug	80°	73°	10d
Sep	81°	73°	12d
Oct	83°	75°	15d

 **DAYLIGHT &  MONEY**

Apr 6:04AM–5:53PM · Jun 6:18AM–5:40PM · Aug 6:13AM–5:53PM · Sep 5:53AM–5:54PM · Oct 5:33AM–5:55PM

Currency: Euro (€)

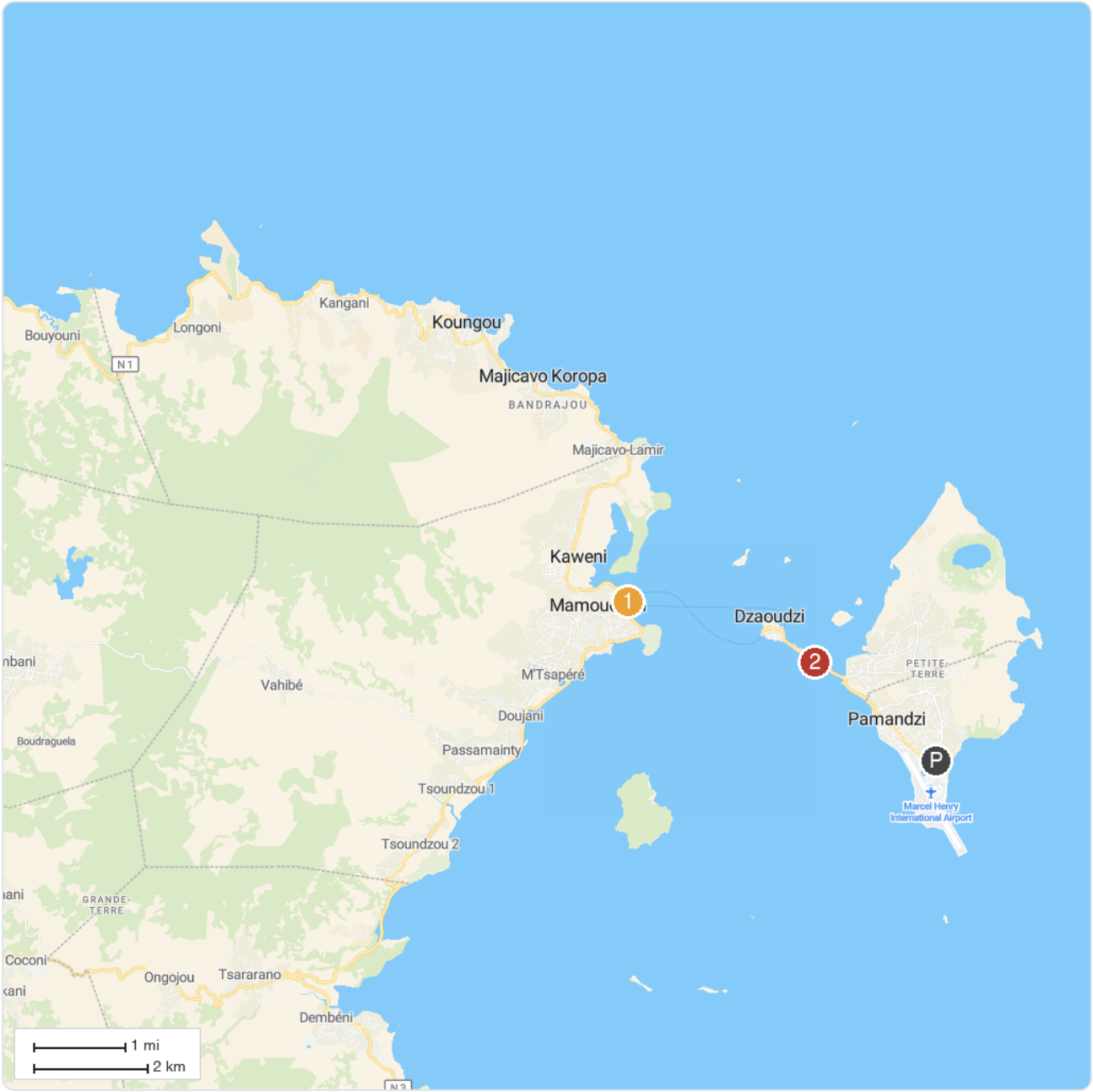
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Carry cash euros. Taxis, shared vans, the barge, local markets, and beach vendors are cash-only. ATMs exist in Dzaoudzi but can run out — draw cash before you go ashore.
- Agree taxi prices upfront. Yellow shared taxis (taxis de place) are cheap (€1.50–3) but slow — they fill up with multiple passengers.

Dzaoudzi, Petite-Terre, Mayotte — 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 Tourist Office Get local information and maps here.

2 Plage du Faré Relax on this beautiful sandy beach.

P Cruise port / terminal