

Gladstone, Queensland, Australia

A hardworking harbour city with a world-class waterfront precinct and one of Australia's best Great Barrier Reef day-trip launchpads right at its doorstep.

 Pier (docked)  Free shuttle to city  Typical call: 8–10 hrs  AUD — card accepted everywhere  English

MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Pier — Auckland Point Wharf (Berths 1 or 3); free shuttle to East Shores & CBD (port is active industrial, no pedestrian access)

Best For: Great Barrier Reef day trips, waterfront parks, fresh seafood (Queensland Mud Crabs)

Walk to centre: 5-min free shuttle; East Shores Precinct is the main drop-off, CBD a further 5-min walk uphill

Don't Miss: Feast on East Markets on cruise days, HMAS Gladstone II patrol boat tour, Heron Island reef day trip (ferry from Gladstone Marina)

 Getting around:  Taxi  AUD \$6–15 ·  Rideshare  Uber ·  Hop-on hop-off  Hop-on hop-off

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Heron Island — Great Barrier Reef** — Heron Island is a coral cay on the Southern Great Barrier Reef reached by the Heron Islander ferry from Gladstone...
- Quoin Island Turtle Rehabilitation Centre** — A short ferry ride to a private island in Gladstone Harbour with a turtle rehabilitation centre where rescued and...
- HMAS Gladstone II Guided Tour** — Step aboard a decommissioned Royal Australian Navy Fremantle Class patrol boat permanently berthed at East Shores.
- Gladstone Tondoon Botanic Gardens** — 83 hectares of tropical and subtropical plants from North Queensland, with peaceful lagoons, a Japanese Tea Garden, and...
- Harbour & Industrial Port Cruise** — A 2-hour guided boat tour of one of Australia's largest commodity ports — spot dolphins, turtles, and dugongs against a...

BEST WALKS

- East Shores Waterfront Stroll** 1–2 km · Flat · 30–45 mins — From the shuttle drop-off at East Shores, walk the waterfront boardwalk past the water play park, outdoor cinema, and harbour views to...
- CBD & Auckland Hill Lookout** 2 km · Moderate (hill climb) · 45–60 mins — Walk from East Shores up to Goondoon Street for cafes and the Gladstone Regional Art Gallery & Museum (free entry).

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 **CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)**

Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr	81°	67°	7d
Jun	73°	58°	4d
Aug	74°	56°	3d
Sep	77°	61°	4d
Oct	80°	66°	8d

 **DAYLIGHT &  MONEY**

Apr 6:08AM–5:40PM · Jun 6:35AM–5:15PM · Aug 6:21AM–5:37PM · Sep 5:52AM–5:48PM · Oct 5:22AM–5:59PM

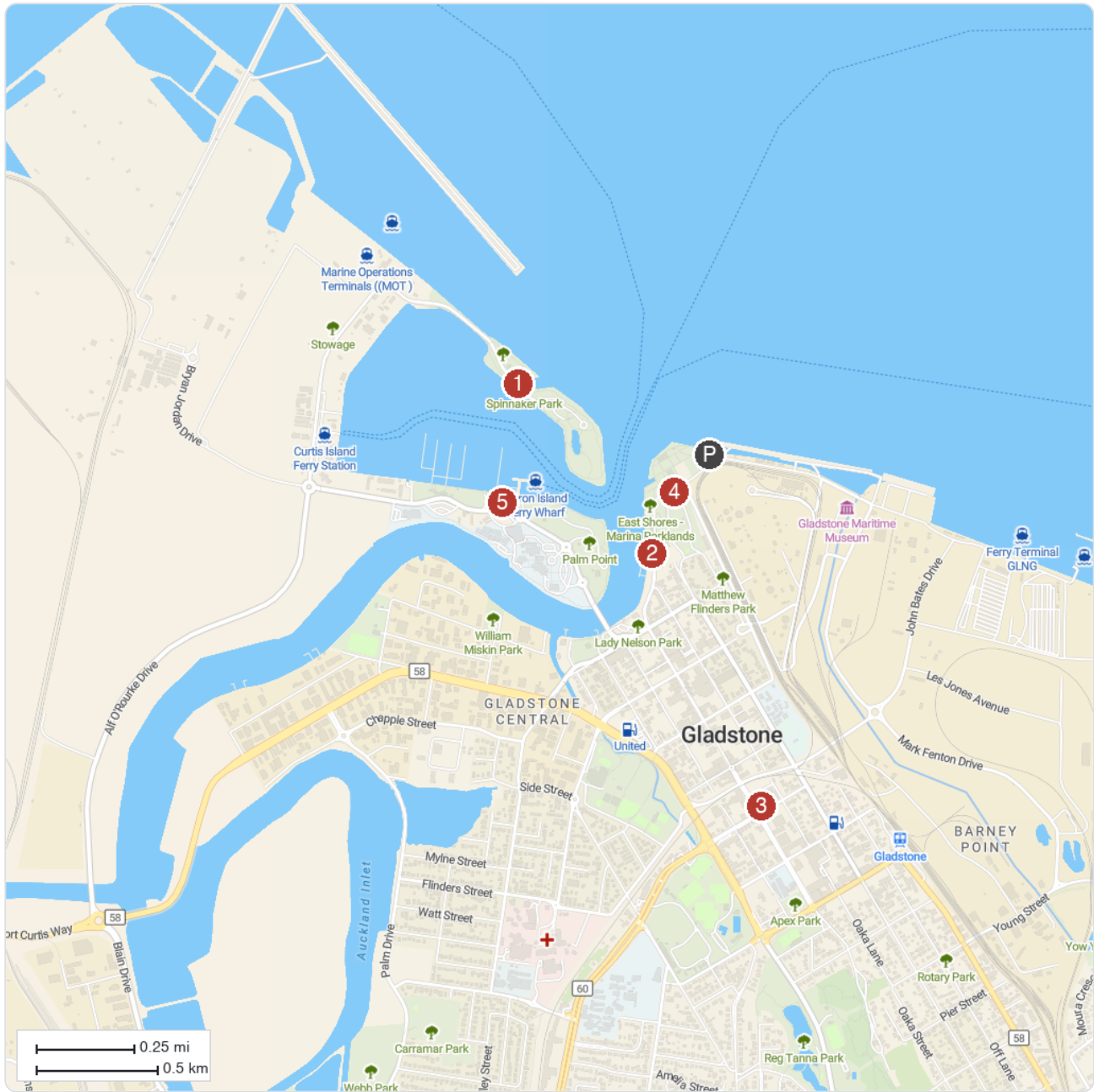
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

Shuttle is not optional. Auckland Point is an active industrial wharf — pedestrians are not permitted in the port area. Board the free

Gladstone, Queensland, Australia — 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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| <p>1 Spinnaker Park</p> <p>3 Gladstone Regional Art Gallery and Museum</p> <p>5 Heron Island Ferry Terminal</p> | <p>Waterfront park with playgrounds, walking paths, and harbour views.</p> <p>Regional art gallery and museum showcasing local history and art.</p> <p>Terminal for ferries departing to beautiful Heron Island reef.</p> | <p>2 East Shores</p> <p>4 William Golding Memorial Lookout</p> <p>P Cruise port / terminal</p> | <p>Modern waterfront park, water play, cafes, and marina precinct.</p> <p>Scenic lookout offering panoramic views of Gladstone and harbour.</p> |
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