

Gough Island, Tristan da Cunha, British Overseas Territory

A UNESCO World Heritage wilderness rising from the Roaring Forties — no pier, no town, no tourists ashore. Just sheer volcanic cliffs, 10 million seabirds, and one of the planet's last truly wild places.

-  Zodiac / ship cruising only (no landing)
-  Typical call: 4–8 hrs (weather dependent)
-  No commerce ashore
-  English (South African weather station)
-  UNESCO World Heritage Site

👉 MY DAY IN PORT

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

Excursion: _____ Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

- Docking:** No pier — Zodiac cruising from ship; landings prohibited
- Walk to Center:** N/A — no public access ashore
- Best For:** Wildlife photography, birdwatching, expedition bragging rights
- Don't Miss:** Tristan Albatross soaring the cliffs; rockhopper penguin colonies

 Getting around:

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Zodiac Wildlife Cruise Along the Cliffs** — Weave between sea stacks and beneath 300 m volcanic cliffs while thousands of Tristan albatrosses, sooty shearwaters...
- Seabird Observation from the Ship** — Even without Zodiac ops, the ship deck delivers world-class seabirding.
- Scenic Coastal Photography** — The island's coastline is a succession of dramatic arches, sea caves, and cascading waterfalls dropping directly into...

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 **CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)**

Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr	52°	48°	17d
Jun	48°	43°	22d
Aug	45°	41°	20d
Sep	45°	41°	20d
Oct	46°	43°	15d

 **DAYLIGHT &  MONEY**

Apr 7:09AM–6:09PM · Jun 8:01AM–5:19PM · Aug 7:28AM–6:00PM · Sep 6:40AM–6:29PM · Oct 5:51AM–7:00PM

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Bring a telephoto lens. A 300–600mm lens with image stabilisation is essential — you'll be shooting from a moving Zodiac or ship deck at subjects on distant cliffs.
- Dress for the Roaring Forties. Even in austral summer (Dec–Feb), expect cold, wet, and relentlessly windy conditions. Waterproof shell, thermal layers, gloves, and a beanie are...
- Expect the unexpected. Swells can cancel Zodiac operations with no warning. Roughly half of all visits are ship-deck-only due to sea state. That's still exceptional wildlife...