

# Haifa, Northern District, Israel

Built on the slopes of Mount Carmel above a deep-blue bay, Haifa is Israel's most visually dramatic city — home to the world headquarters of the Baha'i Faith, a UNESCO-listed terraced garden, and one of the most walkable cruise terminals in the Eastern Mediterranean.

⚓ Pier (docked — no tender)

🕒 Typical call: 8-10 hrs

🇮🇱 Israeli Shekel (ILS) — cards everywhere

🗣️ Hebrew & Arabic; English widely spoken

⚠️ Shabbat: trains stop Fri sunset–Sat sunset

## 🚢 MY DAY IN PORT

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

## GETTING ASHORE

**Docking:** Docked at Haifa Port Cruise Terminal — no tender

**Walk to German Colony:** 10–15 min flat walk along Ben Gurion Blvd

**Best For:** Baha'i Gardens, Crusader history in Acre, Galilean day trips

**Don't Miss:** Free guided descent of the 19-terrace Baha'i Gardens

🚗 Getting around: 🚗 **Taxi** ✅ ₪25–40 (~\$8–11) · 🚗 **Rideshare** ✅ Gett

## TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Baha'i Gardens — Free Guided Descent** — Nineteen perfectly manicured terraces cascade down Mount Carmel to the golden-domed Shrine of the Báb — a UNESCO World...
- **Acre (Akko) — Crusader City Day Trip** — A UNESCO World Heritage walled city just 25 minutes by train.
- **Nazareth — Galilee Biblical Sites** — About twenty-five miles southeast, Nazareth is the childhood home of Jesus and Israel's largest Arab city.
- **German Colony & Wadi Nisnas Walk** — Walk straight out of the port to the German Colony's restored 19th-century Templar stone houses, now lined with cafes...
- **Carmel Center & Louis Promenade** — Take the Carmelit funicular from Paris Square to the Carmel Center at the top of the mountain, then walk the Louis...

## BEST WALKS

- **Port to German Colony & Baha'i Lower Gate** 1.5 km | ~20 min | Flat — Walk from the cruise terminal along Ben Gurion Boulevard through the heart of the German Colony — a straight, shaded street of...
- **Wadi Nisnas Market Loop** 1 km loop | ~30 min | Flat — From the German Colony, dip into Wadi Nisnas — Haifa's Christian-Arab quarter known for its open-air market, street murals, and...

## WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

### 🌤️ CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

| Mon | High | Low | Rain |
|-----|------|-----|------|
| Apr | 71°  | 58° | 5d   |
| Jun | 80°  | 70° | 2d   |
| Aug | 86°  | 76° | 1d   |
| Sep | 84°  | 75° | 1d   |
| Oct | 81°  | 70° | 5d   |

### 🇮🇱 DAYLIGHT & 💰 MONEY

Apr 6:10AM–7:09PM · Jun 5:31AM–7:49PM · Aug 6:03AM–7:24PM · Sep 6:23AM–6:46PM · Oct 6:44AM–6:06PM

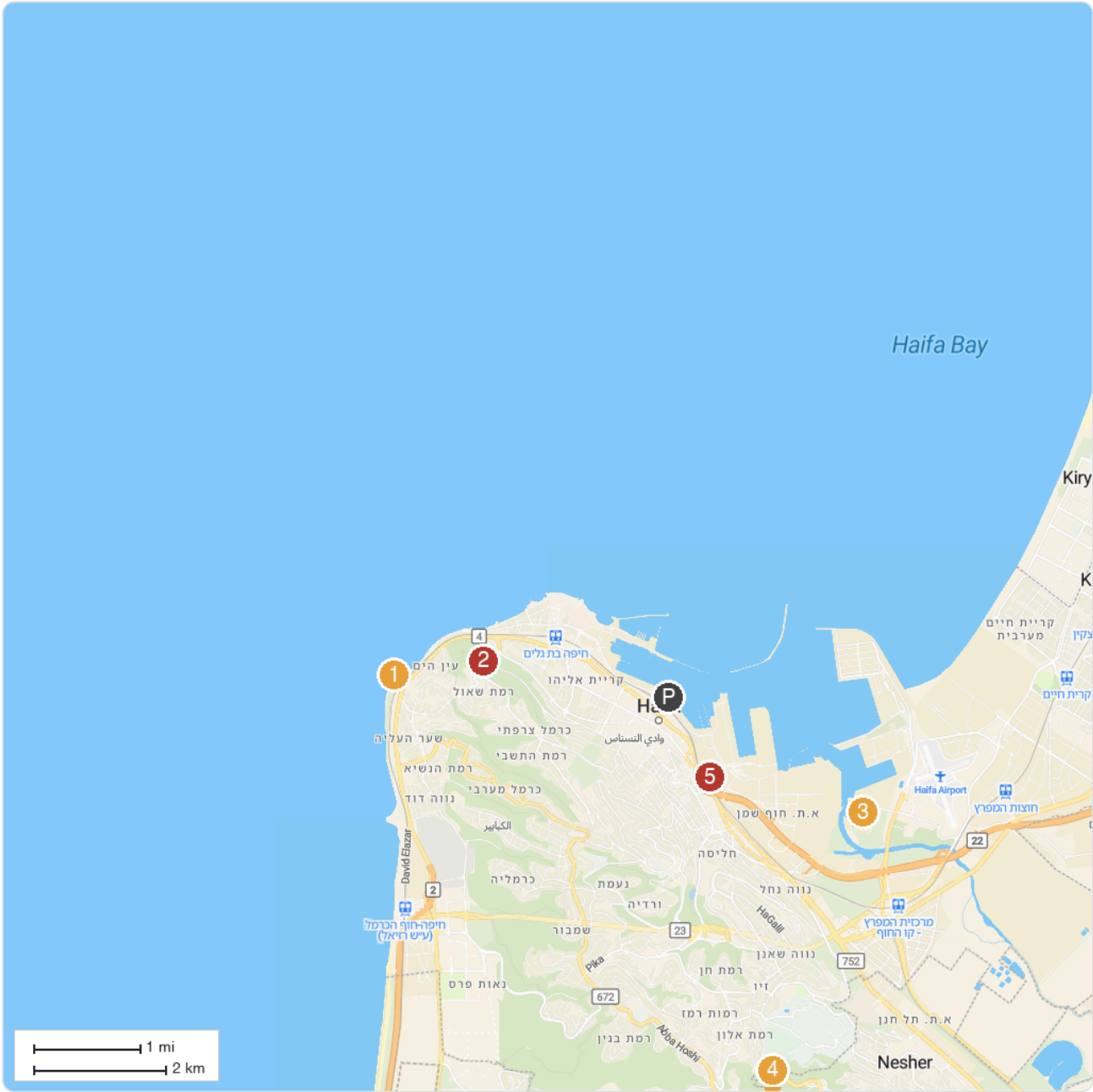
## KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Shabbat shuts down transport: From Friday sunset to Saturday sunset, trains, most buses, and the Carmelit stop. If docking on

# Haifa, Northern District, Israel — Port Map

[cruiseports.org](https://cruiseports.org)

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



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|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>1</b> Tel Shikmona              | Ancient archaeological mound revealing layers of past civilizations.    | <b>2</b> Stella Maris Monastery | Carmelite monastery on Mount Carmel with stunning views.                |
| <b>3</b> Kishon River Authority    | Environmental body managing the Kishon River's rehabilitation and park. | <b>4</b> Hai-Bar Nature Reserve | Wildlife reserve reintroducing endangered animals to the Carmel region. |
| <b>5</b> The Israel Railway Museum | Museum showcasing Israel's railway history and historic locomotives.    | <b>P</b> Cruise port / terminal |                                                                         |