

Holyhead, Anglesey, Wales

Holy Island's working port punches well above its size — ancient Roman forts, puffin-lined sea cliffs, and three UNESCO castles are all within reach on a single shore day.

- Usually Pier (Orthios Berth)
- Typical call: 8-10 hrs
- British Pound (GBP)
- English & Welsh

MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Orthios Deepwater Berth (most ships); shuttle bus to town (1.5 mi)

Best For: Medieval castles, coastal walks, Snowdonia scenery

Walk to centre: Shuttle to Celtic Gateway Bridge, then 5 min walk

Don't Miss: South Stack Lighthouse cliffs or Caernarfon Castle

Getting around: Taxi £5–£10 est.

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Caernarfon Castle & Town** — Edward I's 13th-century masterpiece — polygonal towers modelled on Constantinople, towering above a charming walled...
- South Stack Cliffs & Lighthouse** — Three miles from town, dramatic sea cliffs host thousands of nesting puffins, guillemots, and razorbills...
- Beaumaris Castle & Anglesey** — Europe's finest example of concentric castle design, surrounded by a water-filled moat.
- Snowdonia / Eryri National Park** — Head into Wales' highest mountain range for scenic drives through Llanberis Pass, views of Yr Wyddfa (Snowdon), and...
- St. Cybi's Church & Roman Fort** — In Holyhead town centre, a 13th-century church built inside the walls of a 4th-century Roman fort (Caer Gybi) — one of...

BEST WALKS

- Town Centre & Roman Fort Walk** 1.5 km · Flat · 30-45 min — From the Celtic Gateway Bridge stroll through Holyhead town to St.
- Holyhead Mountain & Clifftop Loop** 4 km · Moderate · 1.5-2 hrs — A short taxi ride gets you to the RSPB South Stack car park.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)				DAYLIGHT & MONEY	
Mon	High	Low	Rain		
Apr	53°	43°	11d	Apr 6:19AM–8:19PM · Jun 4:50AM–9:47PM · Aug 5:59AM–8:45PM · Sep 6:52AM–7:33PM · Oct 7:45AM–6:21PM	
Jun	63°	53°	13d		
Aug	64°	56°	17d		
Sep	62°	54°	14d		
Oct	57°	50°	16d		

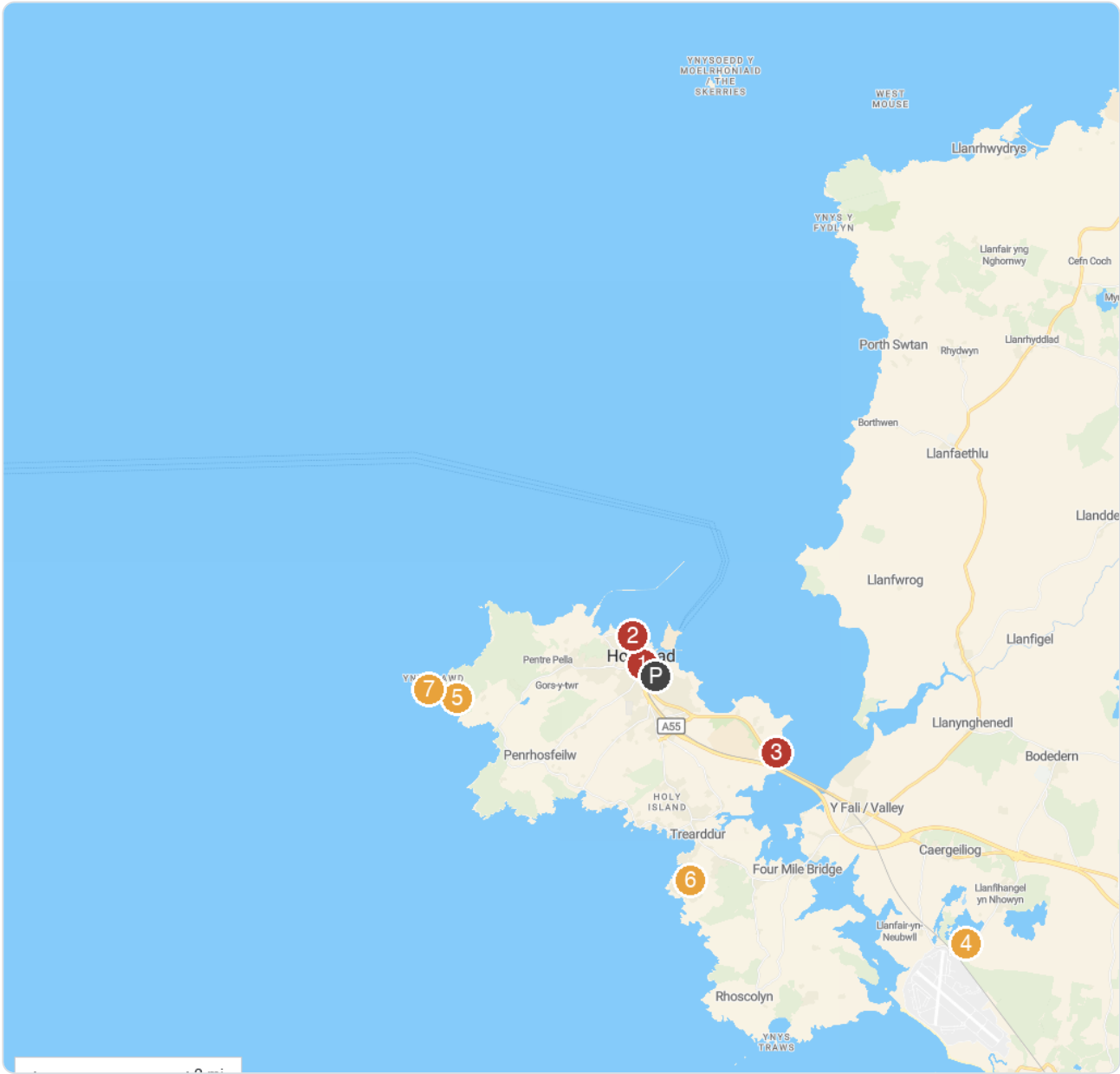
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Shuttle is mandatory from the pier. The Orthios Berth is 1.5 miles from town — you cannot walk off the dock. Allow 20 minutes each way for the shuttle plus boarding queues...
- Book castle tickets online. Caernarfon and Beaumaris both sell timed entry online — walk-up queues can be long. Snowdon Mountain Railway must be pre-booked months in advance.

Holyhead, Anglesey, Wales — 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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| 1 St Cybi's Church | Historic church built within ancient Roman fort walls. | 2 Holyhead Maritime Museum | Museum detailing Holyhead's rich maritime and lifeboat history. |
| 3 Parc Arfordirol Penrhos Coastal Park | Scenic coastal park offering walks, wildlife, and sea views. | 4 RSPB Valley Wetlands | Wetland nature reserve for diverse birdwatching opportunities. |
| 5 RSPB South Stack | Dramatic clifftop nature reserve, home to thousands of seabirds. | P Cruise port / terminal | |
| 7 South Stack Lighthouse | Iconic lighthouse on a small island, accessible via steps. | 6 Porth Diana North Wales Wildlife Trust Nature Reserve | Small coastal nature reserve with diverse marine and plant life. |