

Hopedale, Nunatsiavut, Canada

One of Canada's most remote cruise calls, Hopedale is the legislative capital of Nunatsiavut — an Inuit self-governing territory on the wild Labrador coast, where 18th-century Moravian mission buildings and living Indigenous culture coexist at the edge of the Arctic.

- Tender (no cruise pier)
- Typical call: 5–7 hrs
- Canadian Dollar (CAD)
- English & Inuttitut
- Expedition itineraries

MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Tender — ships anchor in Hopedale Run; Zodiacs to government wharf

Best For: Inuit culture, historic mission, indigenous art, sub-Arctic scenery

Walk to center: 5 min from wharf to Moravian Mission; everything within 15 min

Don't Miss: Hopedale Moravian Mission National Historic Site & Nunatsiavut Assembly

Getting around:

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Hopedale Moravian Mission National Historic Site** — The oldest surviving frame-building complex of European construction in Canada east of Quebec, established 1782.
- Nunatsiavut Assembly & Inuit Art** — Visit the striking igloo-inspired parliament building of the Inuit self-government, adorned with soapstone carvings and...
- Nanuk Hill Lookout Hike** — A short but steep climb behind the community rewards you with sweeping panoramic views over the harbor, the surrounding...
- Zodiac / Coastal Wildlife Cruise** — Many expedition ships offer optional Zodiac tours around the harbor and nearby islands, where you can spot seals...
- Inuit-Moravian Brass Band & Throat Singing** — When coordinated with the ship, local performers showcase the extraordinary Hopedale brass band — a living tradition of...

BEST WALKS

- Town & Mission Loop** 1.5 km · 20–30 min · Easy gravel roads — From the government wharf, walk along the waterfront to the Moravian Mission complex, continue past the Northern Store to the...
- Nanuk Hill Lookout** 0.8 km · 30 min round-trip · Moderate incline — From behind the Moravian Mission, a rough track climbs Nanuk Hill for commanding views over the harbor and surrounding tundra islands.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr	37°	22°	12d
Jun	54°	39°	12d
Aug	60°	46°	13d
Sep	53°	40°	14d
Oct	43°	30°	14d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY

Apr 5:55AM–7:00PM · Jun 4:30AM–8:40PM · Aug 5:20AM–7:35PM · Sep 6:05AM–6:25PM · Oct 6:55AM–5:15PM

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Bring Canadian cash. Local artisans selling soapstone carvings and labradorite jewelry typically only accept cash (CAD preferred; USD accepted at 1:1 by most sellers).