

Las Palmas, Gran Canaria, Spain

A sun-soaked Atlantic crossroads where Columbus once anchored, Las Palmas pairs a centuries-old colonial quarter with one of Europe's finest city beaches — all within reach of a single shore day.

- Docked (Puerto de la Luz)
- Typical call: 8-10 hrs
- Euro (€)
- Spanish
- Year-round sunshine

MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Docked at Puerto de la Luz cruise terminal — no tender required

Best For: History buffs, beach lovers, day trips to Maspalomas dunes

Walk to centre: ~15 min walk or short taxi to Las Canteras beach; Vegueta old town ~4 km (taxi recommended)

Don't Miss: Casa de Colón, Playa de Las Canteras, Maspalomas sand dunes

Getting around: **Taxi** €6–€20 · **Hop-on hop-off** Hop-on hop-off · from 29

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Maspalomas Dunes & Beach** — The rolling sand dunes of Maspalomas in the island's south are a nature reserve unlike anything else in Europe.
- Vegueta Old Town & Casa de Colón** — Gran Canaria's historic old quarter — the city's oldest district, founded in 1478 — is where Columbus stopped to repair...
- Roque Nublo & Mountain Interior** — Drive up into Gran Canaria's volcanic core to Roque Nublo, an 80-metre volcanic rock monolith whose top sits 1,813 m...
- Playa de Las Canteras** — One of Europe's best urban beaches — a 3 km crescent of golden sand protected by a natural reef just a 15-minute walk...
- Mercado del Puerto & Canarian Lunch** — The Mercado del Puerto food hall near the waterfront is the best place to try papas arrugadas (wrinkled potatoes with...

BEST WALKS

- Las Canteras Promenade Walk** 2.5 km · Flat · 30-45 min · Walk from port — From the port gate head west to the start of Playa de Las Canteras, then stroll the full beachfront paseo to Puntilla point at the far...
- Vegueta Old Town Loop** 1.5 km · Flat cobblestones · 1-1.5 hrs · Taxi/bus to start — Start at the Plaza de Santa Ana in front of the cathedral, explore the colonial-era streets, stop into Casa de Colón, then wander...

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr	69°	61°	7d
Jun	74°	66°	5d
Aug	79°	70°	2d
Sep	78°	70°	5d
Oct	77°	68°	8d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY

Apr 7:36AM–8:26PM · Jun 7:04AM–8:59PM · Aug 7:31AM–8:39PM · Sep 7:47AM–8:06PM · Oct 8:02AM–7:31PM

Euro (€)

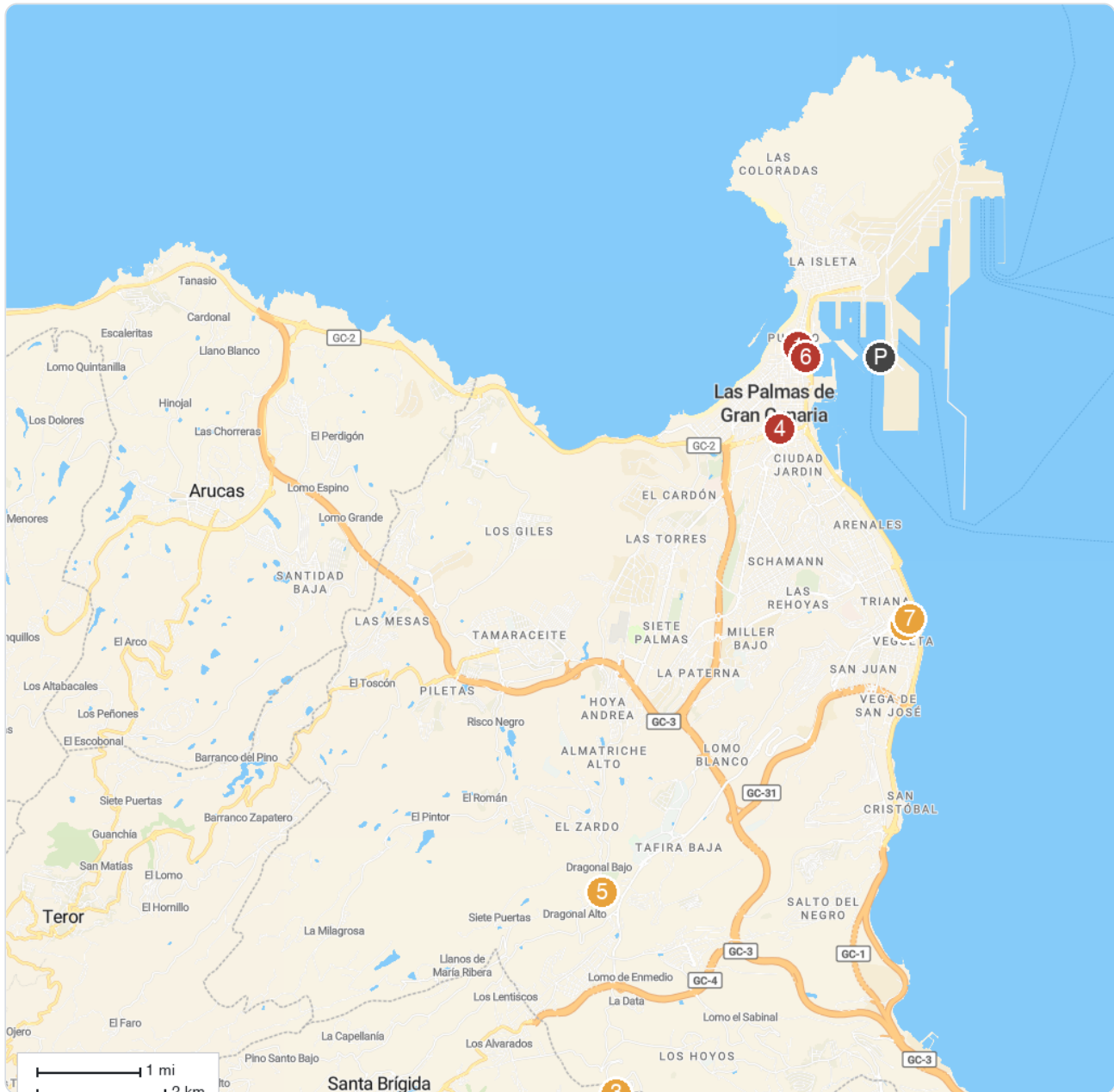
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Cash and cards both work — most restaurants and shops accept cards, but carry €20-30 for taxis, market stalls, and smaller cafés.

Las Palmas, Gran Canaria, Spain — 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 | Santa Catalina Park | Lively city park, hub for events and people-watching. |
| 2 | Casa de Colón | Historic house museum about Columbus's voyages and Canaries. |
| 3 | Real Club de Golf De Las Palmas | Spain's oldest golf course, established 1891. |
| 4 | Estadio Insular Park | Park on former football stadium site, with green spaces. |
| 5 | Jardín Botánico Viera y Clavijo | Canarian botanical garden showcasing endemic island flora. |
| 6 | Casino Las Palmas | Modern casino for gaming and entertainment. |
| 7 | Mercado De Vegueta | Historic Vegueta market for fresh produce and local goods. |
| P | Cruise port / terminal | |