

Oranjestad, Aruba

Aruba's capital docks you steps from downtown — pastel Dutch architecture, warm turquoise water, and perpetual sunshine just steps off the gangway. One Happy Island lives up to its nickname.

- Docked (pier)
- Typical call: 8-10 hrs
- USD widely accepted / Aruban florin
- Dutch & Papiamentu (English everywhere)

MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Berthed at Oranjestad Cruise Terminal — 5 berths, no tender needed

Best For: Beaches, snorkeling, duty-free shopping, island 4x4 tours

Walk to center: 2–5 min to Lloyd G. Smith Blvd; downtown is right outside the gates

Don't Miss: Eagle Beach, Antilla shipwreck dive, Arikok National Park

Getting around: **Taxi** \$10–34 USD · **Rideshare** not available

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Eagle Beach Day** — Consistently ranked among the best beaches in the Caribbean — wide, white, calm water, and far less crowded than Palm...
- Arikok National Park 4x4 Tour** — Covers nearly 20% of the island — rugged limestone terrain, natural pools, ancient Caquetio cave paintings, and the...
- Antilla Shipwreck Snorkel or Dive** — The Antilla is one of the largest shipwrecks in the Caribbean — a 400-ft German freighter scuttled in 1940, now home to...
- Atlantis Submarine Expedition** — Descend 45-100 ft in a real submarine for a narrated tour of Aruba's reefs and wrecks — no dive certification needed...
- Oranjestad Tram & Town Walk** — Ride the free streetcar through pastel Dutch colonial architecture, browse Havenstraat and Schelpstraat boutiques, and...

BEST WALKS

- Downtown Oranjestad Stroll** 1.5 km · 30-45 min · Flat — Exit the cruise terminal onto Lloyd G.
- Surfside Beach Walk** 1.5 km one-way · 20 min walk · Easy — Head northwest along the waterfront from the port past the bus terminal toward Surfside Beach — the closest sand to the ship, quiet...
- Oranjestad Waterfront & Historic Downtown** 1.5 km · 30-45 min · Easy — Start at the cruise terminal and walk along L.G.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		84°	78°	5d
Jun		86°	80°	7d
Aug		87°	80°	9d
Sep		88°	81°	9d
Oct		86°	80°	14d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY

Apr 6:27AM–6:52PM · Jun 6:15AM–7:06PM · Aug 6:28AM–7:00PM · Sep 6:29AM–6:40PM · Oct 6:30AM–6:21PM

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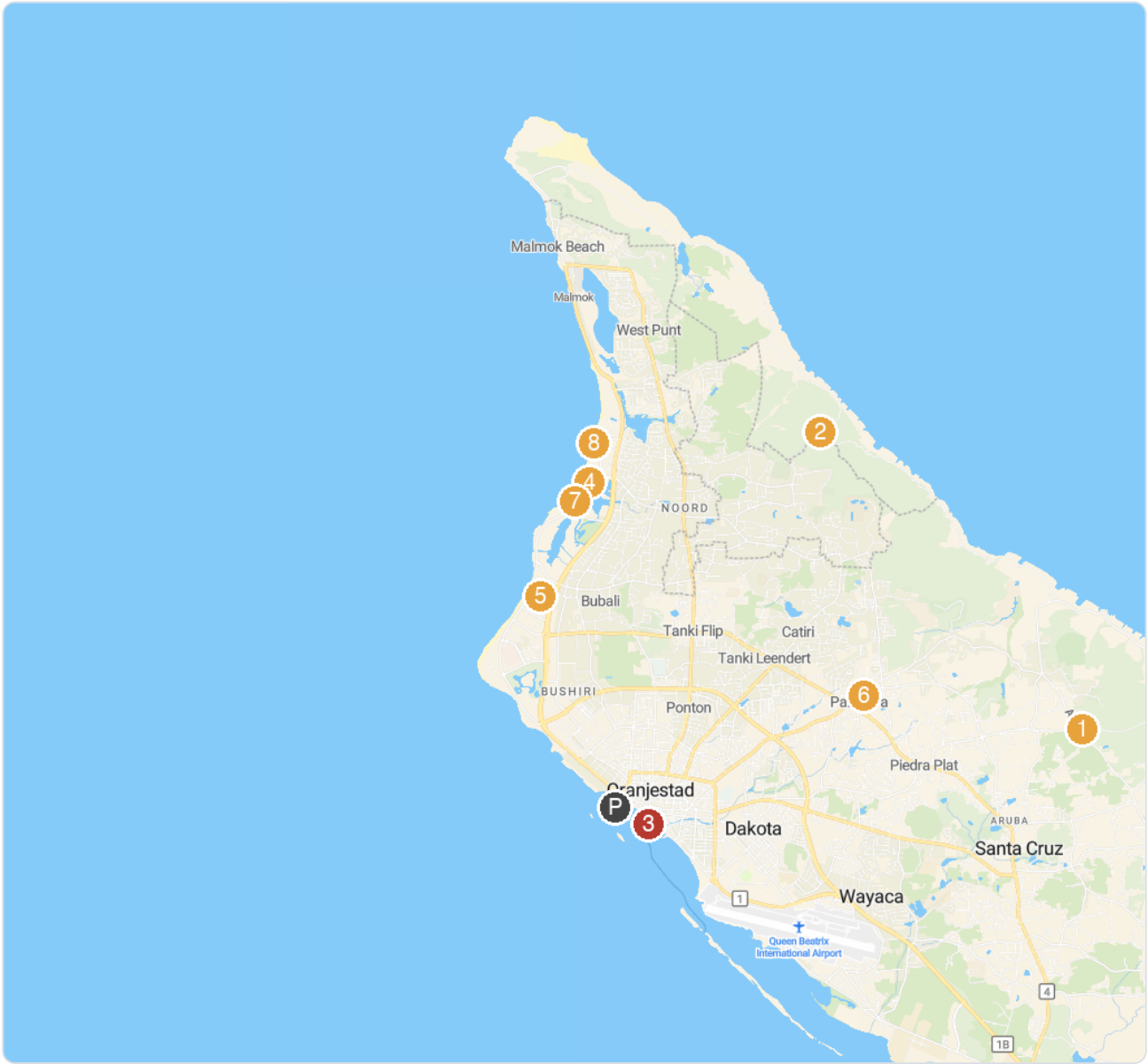
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- USD everywhere:** Skip the currency exchange — US dollars are accepted island-wide at near-par rates. ATMs dispense both USD and AWG.

Oranjestad, Aruba — Port Map

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



- 1

Ayo Rock Formations

Ancient rock formations offering unique hiking and cave exploration.
- 2

Alto Vista Chapel

Aruba's oldest chapel, a serene historic landmark with ocean views.
- 3

Seaport Casino

Lively casino within Renaissance Marketplace, offering slots and table games.
- 4

The Casino Aruba at Hilton

Upscale casino inside the Hilton Aruba, with slots and table games.
- 5

Glitz Casino

Modern casino at Divi Phoenix, featuring slots, tables, and entertainment.
- 6

Saint Philomena Catholic Parish

A local Catholic church, a place of worship and community.
- 7

Orchid Casino

Intimate casino at Riu Palace Antillas, offering slots and table games.
- 8

Octopus Aruba Sailing, Snorkeling, Sunset & Private Tours

Boat tours for sailing, snorkeling, sunset cruises, and private trips.
- P

Cruise port / terminal