

Phuket, Thailand

Thailand's largest island rides the jade Andaman Sea — ancient Sino-Portuguese shophouses, a golden Buddha gazing from the hills, limestone karsts jutting from Phang Nga Bay, and beaches that live up to every postcard.

 Tender port (ships anchor off Patong/Phuket)  Typical call: 8–10 hrs  Thai Baht (THB)  Thai

MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Tender — anchor in Patong Bay or off Phuket

Tender to beach: ~10–15 min; swell-dependent

Best For: Temples · Old Town · Phang Nga Bay

Don't Miss: Big Buddha & Phang Nga Bay

 Getting around:  **Taxi**  500–900 THB (–) ·  **Rideshare**  Grab, Bolt

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Phang Nga Bay & James Bond Island** — Limestone karsts erupt from emerald water in one of Asia's most iconic seascapes.
- **Old Phuket Town & Thalang Road** — The historic core is lined with 19th-century Sino-Portuguese shophouses painted in blues, pinks, and greens — a legacy...
- **Big Buddha (Ming Mongkol) & Wat Chalong** — The 45-metre white marble Big Buddha sits atop Nakkerd Hill with panoramic island views — visible from the sea on...
- **Ko Phi Islands** — Ko Phi Don and the iconic cliffs of Ko Phi Leh (Maya Bay of The Beach fame) are a speedboat day trip from Phuket...
- **Ethical Elephant Sanctuary** — Several sanctuaries north of Phuket Town offer no-riding, walk-with-and-feed experiences with rescued elephants in...

BEST WALKS

- **Old Phuket Town heritage loop** ~2.5 km · 1.5–2 hrs · easy — A slow wander through the Sino-Portuguese shophouse streets: Thalang Road for cafés and murals, Soi Rommanee for the colourful...
- **Patong Beach promenade** ~2 km · 45 min · easy — A flat stroll along the Patong beachfront from the tender pier area south along the sand and beach road — good for a swim, a fresh...

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)				 DAYLIGHT &  MONEY	
Mon	High	Low	Rain	Apr 6:17AM–6:35PM · Jun 6:09AM–6:44PM · Aug 6:19AM–6:41PM · Sep 6:16AM–6:26PM · Oct 6:13AM–6:10PM	
Apr	88°	79°	19d		
Jun	85°	78°	22d		
Aug	84°	78°	23d		
Sep	84°	77°	24d		
Oct	84°	77°	28d		

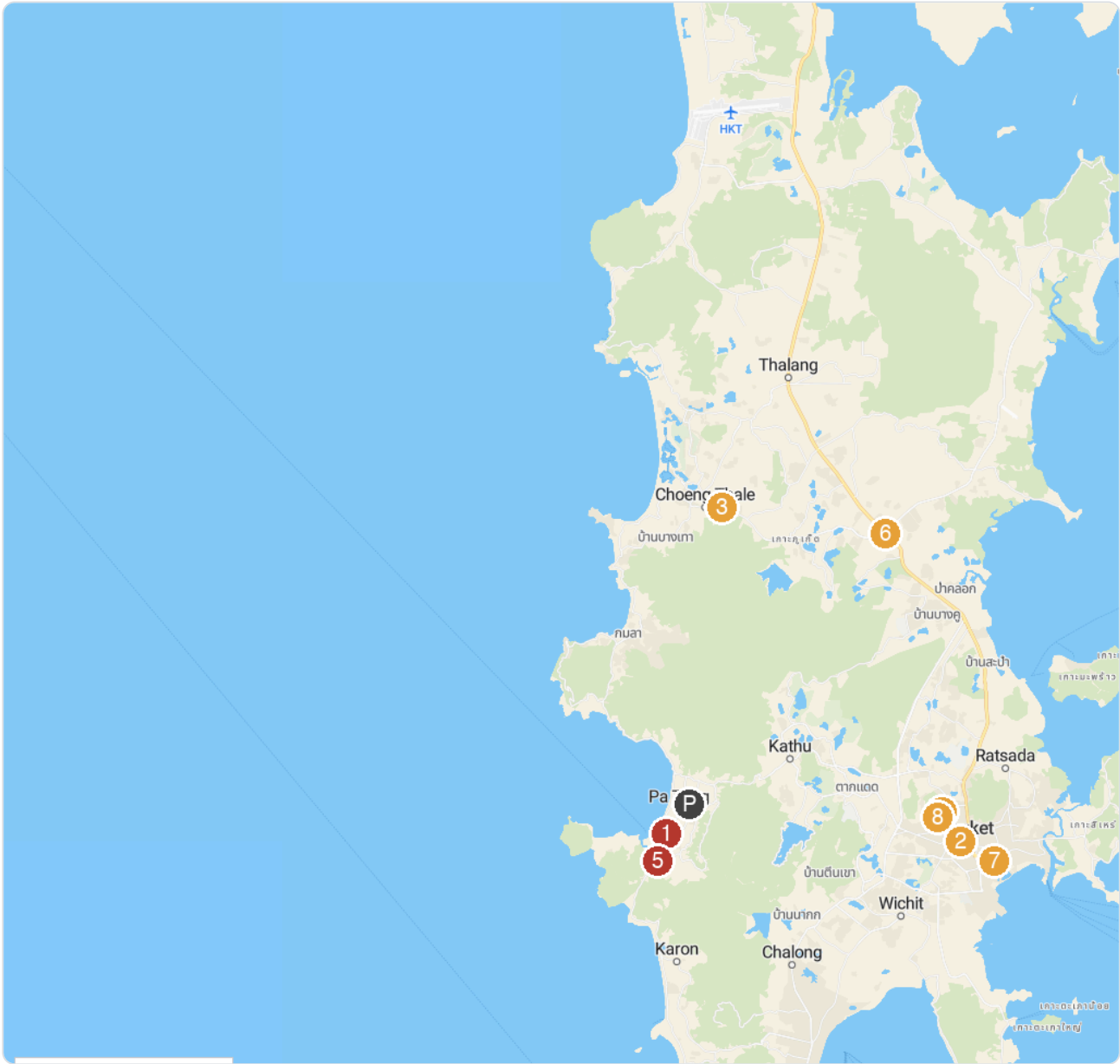
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Tender timing is everything. Swell can delay or cancel tenders with little warning. If the sea looks choppy, book the ship's tour — they hold the boat for their own groups and...
- Cover up for temples. Wat Chalong and the Big Buddha require covered shoulders and knees. Carry a lightweight scarf or sarong — vendors sell them at the gate, but having your own...

Phuket, Thailand — 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 | OTOP Market | Market selling local Thai crafts, food, and souvenirs. |
| 2 | Phuket Old Town | Historic district with colorful Sino-Portuguese architecture and cafes. |
| 3 | Wat Choeng Thale | Serene Buddhist temple with traditional Thai architecture. |
| 4 | Wat Khao Rang Samakkhitham | Hilltop Buddhist temple featuring a large golden Buddha statue. |
| 5 | Simon Cabaret Phuket | Extravagant ladyboy cabaret show with dazzling costumes and music. |
| 6 | Thao Thep Krasattri and Thao Si Sunthon Monument | Monument honoring Phuket's two revered heroines. |
| 7 | Nimit Roundabout | Busy traffic circle featuring a prominent clock tower. |
| 8 | Khao Rang Viewpoint | Scenic hilltop viewpoint offering panoramic views of Phuket Town. |
| P | Cruise port / terminal | |