

Pisco (Paracas), Peru

Gateway to Peru's desert coast — where the Humboldt Current delivers wildlife-packed islands, crimson beaches, Inca ruins, and the birthplace of South America's most famous spirit.

 Tender to Paracas dock (Puerto General San Martín)  Typical call: 8–10 hrs  Peruvian Sol (PEN) · some USD accepted

 Spanish · limited English outside tours

MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Tender to Paracas / Puerto General San Martín

To Paracas village: ~5-min tender + short walk

Best For: Wildlife · Nature · History

Don't Miss: Ballestas Islands boat tour

 Getting around:  **Taxi**  ~\$80 USD one-way

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Ballestas Islands Speedboat Tour** — Zip out to the 'poor man's Galápagos' — rocky islands teeming with Humboldt penguins, South American sea lions...
- **Paracas National Reserve** — Explore the only protected marine-desert ecosystem in South America.
- **Tambo Colorado Inca Administrative Center** — Head inland to one of the best-preserved Inca sites on Peru's coast.
- **Pisco Distillery Tour & Tasting** — Pisco — the grape brandy that gives this port its name — is Peru's national spirit and a source of fierce pride.

BEST WALKS

- **Paracas Malecón & Waterfront** 1–2 km · Flat · 30–45 min — Stroll the palm-lined waterfront promenade from the tender pier through the heart of Paracas village.
- **El Chaco Beach & Paracas Bay** 2 km · Easy · 45 min — Walk south from the pier along El Chaco beach, a calm arc of sand sheltered by the Paracas Peninsula.
- **Julio C. Tello Site Museum** Short walk from pier · 1–1.5 hrs inside — The Paracas culture (800 BCE–100 CE) produced some of the finest textiles in the ancient world, and this compact museum tells their...

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr	80°	66°	0d
Jun	71°	59°	0d
Aug	70°	56°	0d
Sep	71°	57°	0d
Oct	73°	59°	0d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY

Apr 6:11AM–5:58PM · Jun 6:26AM–5:44PM · Aug 6:20AM–5:58PM ·
Sep 5:59AM–6:00PM · Oct 5:38AM–6:02PM

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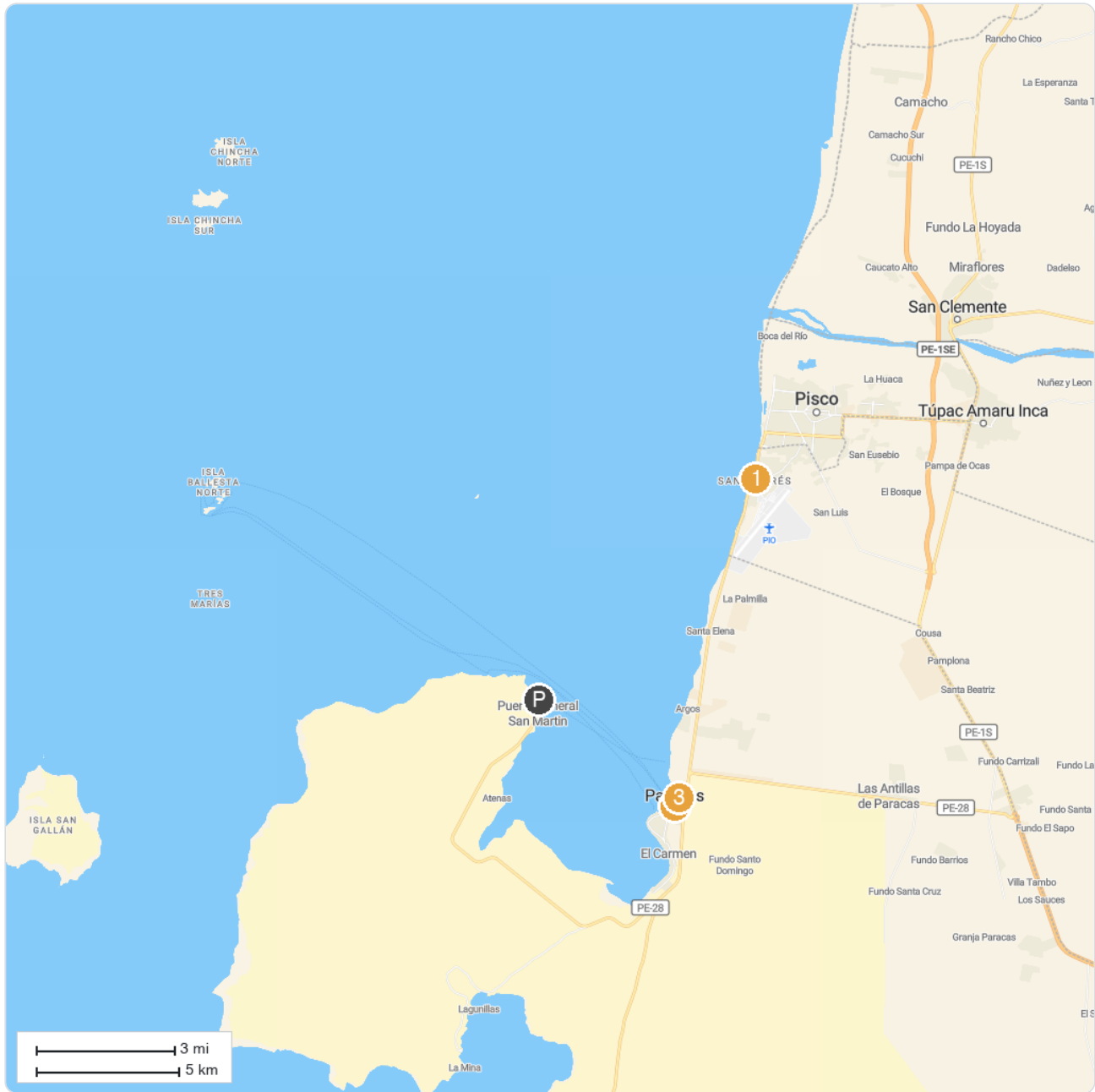
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Book your Ballestas Islands boat tour early — either through the ship or at the pier on arrival. Morning tours have calmer seas and better wildlife activity.
- Carry small Peruvian Sol notes (PEN). Independent taxis, market vendors, and small restaurants rarely accept credit cards or

Pisco (Paracas), Peru — 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 Museo Marino San Andrés | This museum showcases local marine life and archaeological finds. | 2 Aventura en Paracas | Offers various adventure tours and activities in Paracas. |
| 3 El Chaco Paracas | The main pier and waterfront hub for tours and dining. | P Cruise port / terminal | |