

Port Vila, Efate, Vanuatu

The vibrant capital of Vanuatu blends Melanesian culture with tropical beaches, electric-blue lagoons, and a walkable waterfront market — all within easy reach of the main wharf.

 Docked (commercial wharf)  Typical call: 7-9 hrs  Vanuatu Vatu (VUV) / AUD widely accepted  Bislama, English, French

🚢 MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Main Wharf on Wharf Rd; ~3 km southwest of town center. Occasional tender for largest ships.

Best For: Blue Lagoon swims, cultural villages, waterfall hikes, duty-free shopping

Walk to center: 30–40 min on foot; taxis, shuttle vans, and water taxis available

Don't Miss: Blue Lagoon, Mele Cascades, Ekasup Cultural Village, Port Vila Market

 Getting around:  **Taxi**  2,500–4,000 VUV (~\$33 USD) ·  **Rideshare**  not available

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Blue Lagoon & Eden on the River** — Vanuatu's star attraction: a vivid turquoise swimming hole where fresh and salt water meet.
- **Mele Cascades Waterfall** — Tiered freshwater pools and a 35-metre waterfall set in lush tropical jungle.
- **Ekasup Cultural Village** — Step into traditional Melanesian life at this authentic cultural village.
- **Hideaway Island Snorkel & Underwater Post Office** — A short boat ride to a marine reserve with calm, shallow snorkeling.
- **Lelepa Island Day Trip** — Boat to Lelepa Island for a bush-trail walk through native flora, snorkeling over giant clams, kayaking, and a BBQ...

BEST WALKS

- **Wharf to Port Vila Market & Waterfront** 2.5 km · 30 min · Easy — Follow Wharf Road northeast along the bay, past the Independence Park, into the heart of downtown.
- **Waterfront Promenade & Duty-Free Strip** 1 km · 15 min · Flat — Stroll the palm-lined waterfront promenade past duty-free stores, café terraces, and the colourful fishing boats in the inner harbour.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 **CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)**

Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr	82°	76°	19d
Jun	78°	73°	10d
Aug	77°	71°	11d
Sep	78°	72°	11d
Oct	79°	73°	16d

 **DAYLIGHT & MONEY**

Apr 5:56AM–5:37PM · Jun 6:15AM–5:19PM · Aug 6:06AM–5:36PM · Sep 5:42AM–5:41PM · Oct 5:18AM–5:46PM

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Carry AUD or VUV. Australian dollars are accepted almost everywhere; Vanuatu Vatu is useful for markets and minivans. ATMs in town dispense VUV.
- Start early. Mele Cascades and the Blue Lagoon get crowded when multiple ships are in port. Head there first thing for smaller