

Portsmouth, Saint John, Dominica

Dominica's second city sits where a 18th-century British fort guards a sweep of tropical bay. Tender ashore at Cabrits Pier and you're steps from wild rivers, volcanic hikes, and one of the Caribbean's most unspoiled coastlines.

 Tender port (Prince Rupert Bay)

 Typical call: 7-9 hrs

 Eastern Caribbean Dollar / USD accepted

 English (official)

🚢 MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____

Arrive: _____

All aboard: _____

Excursion: _____

Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Tender to Cabrits Pier, Cabrits National Park

Best For: Nature, history, river tours, whale watching

Walk to center: ~1 mile (20 min) south to Portsmouth town

Don't Miss: Indian River boat tour & Fort Shirley

 Getting around:  **Taxi**  \$5–10 USD (local); \$15–19 USD (to Roseau)

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Indian River Boat Tour** — Glide through a serene mangrove corridor on a hand-oared wooden boat guided by local boatmen.
- Fort Shirley & Cabrits National Park** — Walk straight from the pier into this restored 18th-century British garrison perched on volcanic headlands.
- Whale & Dolphin Watching** — Dominica is one of the world's best year-round spots for sperm whale encounters.
- Champagne Reef Snorkel** — Drive south to this volcanic snorkel site where underwater hot springs bubble through the reef like carbonation...
- Trafalgar Falls Day Trip** — Twin waterfalls — Father and Mother — cascade into pools surrounded by lush Morne Trois Pitons National Park vegetation.

BEST WALKS

- Cabrits Peninsula Loop** 1.5 miles | Easy-moderate | 45-60 min — From Cabrits Pier, follow signs into Cabrits National Park.
- Pier to Portsmouth Waterfront Walk** 1 mile | Easy | 20 min — A flat, pleasant walk south along Prince Rupert Bay's shoreline from Cabrits Pier into Portsmouth town.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 **CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)**

Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr	86°	73°	9d
Jun	88°	77°	13d
Aug	88°	77°	16d
Sep	88°	75°	16d
Oct	87°	75°	16d

 **DAYLIGHT &  MONEY**

Apr 6:09AM–7:59PM · Jun 4:50AM–9:19PM · Aug 5:52AM–8:24PM · Sep 6:40AM–7:17PM · Oct 7:27AM–6:11PM

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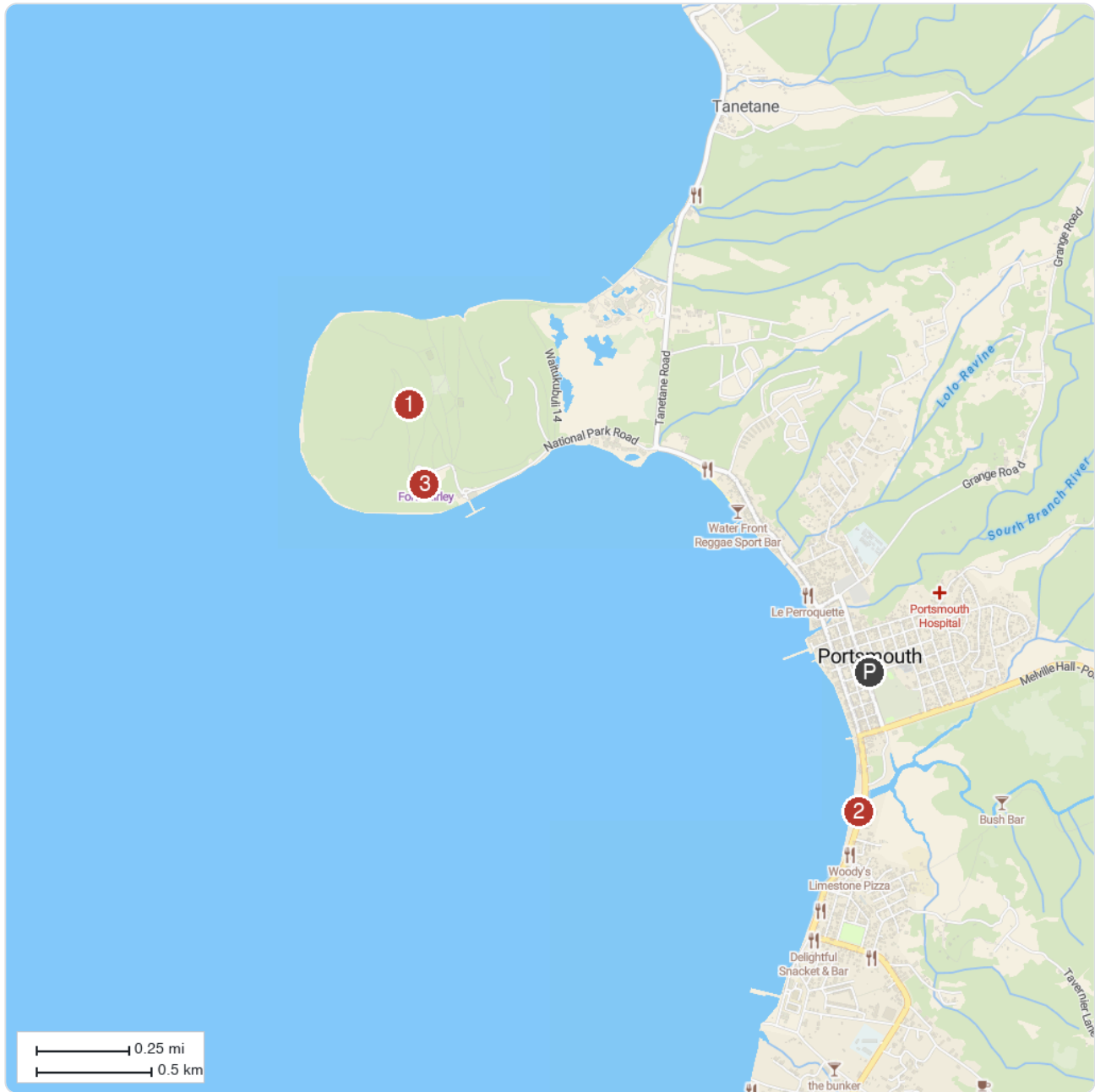
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Bring small bills. ATMs are in Portsmouth town (EC dollars). Most tour operators and restaurants accept USD, but change may come in EC. Credit cards less common outside tour...
- Book Indian River early. This is the most popular excursion from Portsmouth. Tour operators meet tenders at Cabrits Pier — grab a guide early or pre-book to avoid a full boat.
- Dominica is very wet. The Nature Island gets significant rainfall year-round. Pack a light rain jacket — it can shower and clear

Portsmouth, Saint John, Dominica — 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 Cabrits National Park** Historic fort ruins and lush coastal nature await exploration.
- 3 Fort Shirley** Historic 18th-century British military garrison ruins with scenic views.

- 2 Indian River Tours** Enjoy a peaceful boat ride through scenic mangrove tunnels.
- P Cruise port / terminal**