

St Mary's, Isles of Scilly, England

Twenty-eight miles off Cornwall's tip, St Mary's rewards cruise visitors with white-sand beaches that look Caribbean, an Elizabethan garrison with sweeping island views, and a harbor town with no chain stores in sight.

 Tender port  Typical call: 6–8 hrs  British Pound (GBP)  English  Weather-dependent tendering

🚢 MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Tender to St Mary's Quay, Hugh Town

Best For: Beaches, coastal walks, ancient history, island-hopping

Walk to center: 2 min from tender pier to Hugh Town

Don't Miss: The Garrison Walk & a tripper boat to Tresco Abbey Garden

 Getting around:  Taxi  £5–£15

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **The Garrison Walk** — A 1.5-mile loop along Elizabethan garrison walls starting just 10 minutes uphill from the pier.
- **Tresco Abbey Garden Day Trip** — A 20-minute tripper boat ride reaches the world-famous sub-tropical garden on Tresco — 20,000 plant specimens from 80...
- **Bronze Age Burial Chambers** — Bant's Carn and Halangy Down Ancient Village on the island's north side offer a well-preserved Iron Age settlement and...
- **Wildlife RIB Safari** — RIB boat tours depart from the quay to spot Atlantic grey seals on rocky haul-outs, puffins (May–July), dolphins, and...
- **Porthcressa Beach & Hugh Town** — A 7-minute walk from the pier brings you to Porthcressa, a crescent of white sand with turquoise water that looks...

BEST WALKS

- **The Garrison Loop** 1.5 miles · 45–60 min · Moderate (uphill start) · Free — From St Mary's Quay, follow the road up to the Garrison gate.
- **Pelistry Bay & Toll's Island** 4 miles round trip · 1.5–2 hrs · Easy · Free — Head northeast out of Hugh Town along the coast path to secluded Pelistry Bay.
- **Peninnis Head Cliff Walk** 3 miles round trip · 1–1.5 hrs · Easy · Free — Walk south from Hugh Town to the dramatic granite tors and lighthouse of Peninnis Head.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		51°	49°	10d
Jun		59°	57°	9d
Aug		63°	61°	10d
Sep		62°	60°	11d
Oct		58°	56°	14d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY

Apr 6:32AM–8:18PM · Jun 5:16AM–9:35PM · Aug 6:15AM–8:42PM · Sep 7:01AM–7:38PM · Oct 7:47AM–6:33PM

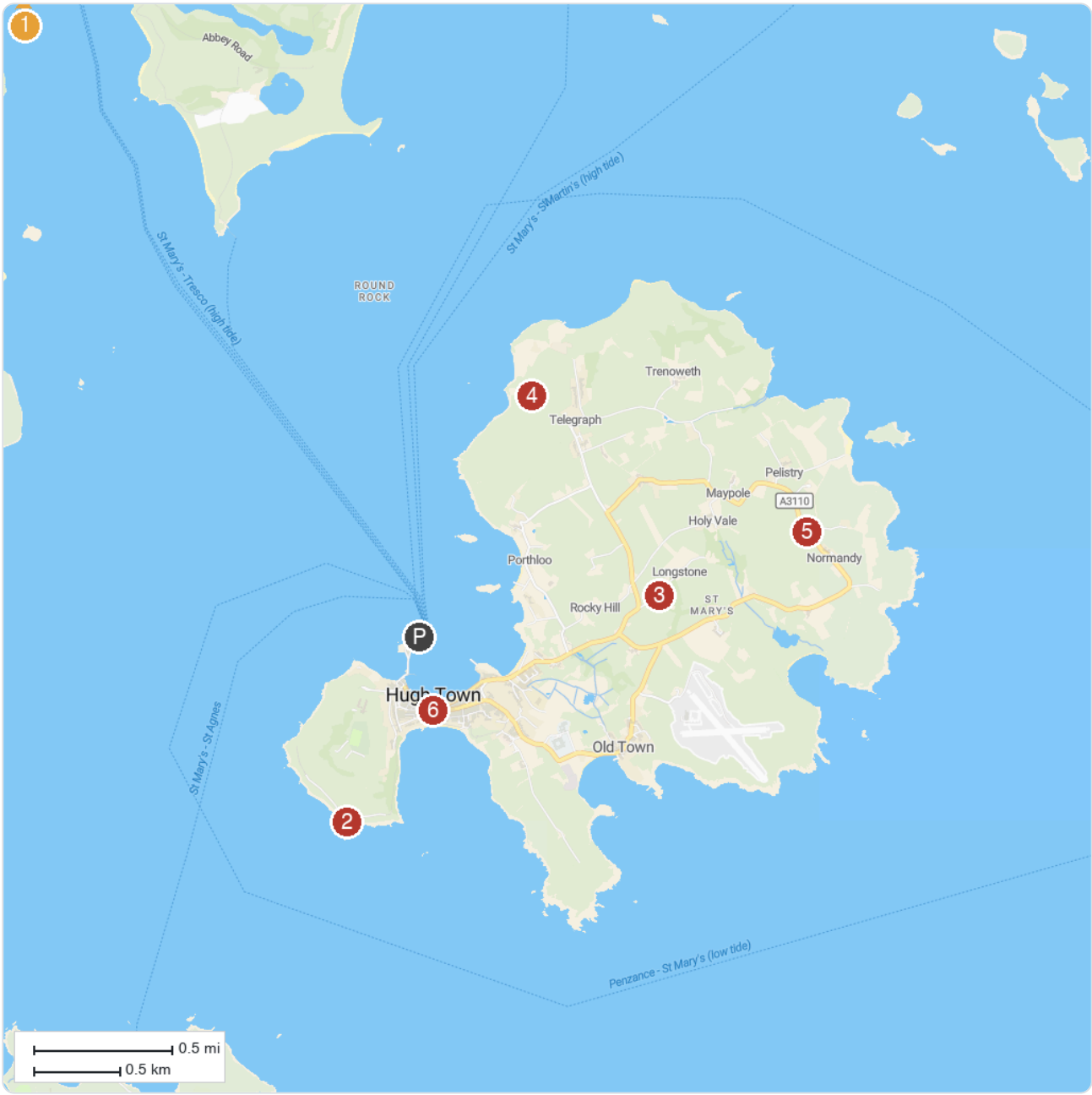
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Tendering is weather-dependent. Atlantic swells can prevent tendering entirely — the ship may skip St Mary's with little notice. Have a backup plan and don't book non-refundable...

St Mary's, Isles of Scilly, England — 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 Cromwell's Castle | Historic 17th-century coastal artillery castle ruin. | 2 Garrison Walls | Historic defensive walls offering scenic coastal walks. |
| 3 Carreg Dhu Gardens | Sheltered sub-tropical garden showcasing diverse plant collections. | 4 Bant's Carn Burial Chamber and Halangy Down Ancient Village | Bronze Age burial chamber and Iron Age village remains. |
| 5 Isles of Scilly Heritage Coast | Stunning protected coastline with diverse wildlife and views. | 6 Isles Of Scilly Museum | Local museum displaying Scilly's history, archaeology, and nature. |
| P Cruise port / terminal | | | |