

Alderney, Channel Islands, UK

Britain's most remote Channel Island delivers a rare combination: wartime history, world-class seabird colonies, and golden beaches — all walkable from the tender dock at Braye Harbour.

Tender port (no cruise berth)

Typical call: 6-8 hrs

Currency: Pound sterling (GBP)

Language: English

MY DAY IN PORT

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

Excursion: _____ Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Tender only — ships anchor in Braye Bay; passengers land at the passenger pontoon in Braye Harbour

Best For: WWII history, seabird watching (puffins, gannets), coastal walking, unspoiled beaches

Walk to centre: 10-15 min uphill walk (or short taxi ride) from Braye Harbour to St Anne town

Don't Miss: Les Étacs gannet colony boat tour, Alderney Railway, St Anne's Church & Museum

Getting around: **Taxi** ~£8-£15 short ride; tours higher

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Seabird Colony Boat Tour** — The Alderney Wildlife Trust runs round-island boat trips past Les Étacs (home to one of Europe's largest northern gannet colonies) and Burhou (puffin...
- WWII Occupation Sites** — Alderney was the only British territory with Nazi forced-labour camps (Lager Sylt, Lager Norderney).
- Coastal Path Walk** — The 10-mile perimeter coastal path circles the entire island, passing Victorian forts, clifftop views toward France, secluded beaches, and the Mannez...
- Alderney Railway Ride** — Ride the Channel Islands' only railway in restored London Underground carriages from Braye Road station to Mannez Quarry.
- St Anne Town & Museum** — Alderney's only town has cobbled streets, Georgian houses, independent shops, and several pubs.

BEST WALKS

- Braye Harbour to St Anne** 1 mile | Easy | 15-20 min — Walk up Braye Road from the harbour pontoon into the heart of St Anne.
- Braye Beach to Fort Albert & Saye Beach** 2 miles | Easy-Moderate | 1-1.5 hrs one way — From Braye beach, follow the coastal path east past Fort Albert (Victorian gun battery) around to Saye Beach — one of the island's most sheltered and prettiest sandy bays.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		51°	48°	7d
Jun		58°	56°	8d
Aug		63°	61°	10d
Sep		63°	60°	10d
Oct		60°	57°	16d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY

Apr 6:16AM–8:02PM · Jun 5:00AM–9:18PM · Aug 5:59AM–8:25PM · Sep 6:45AM–7:21PM · Oct 7:30AM–6:17PM

Currency: Pound sterling (GBP)

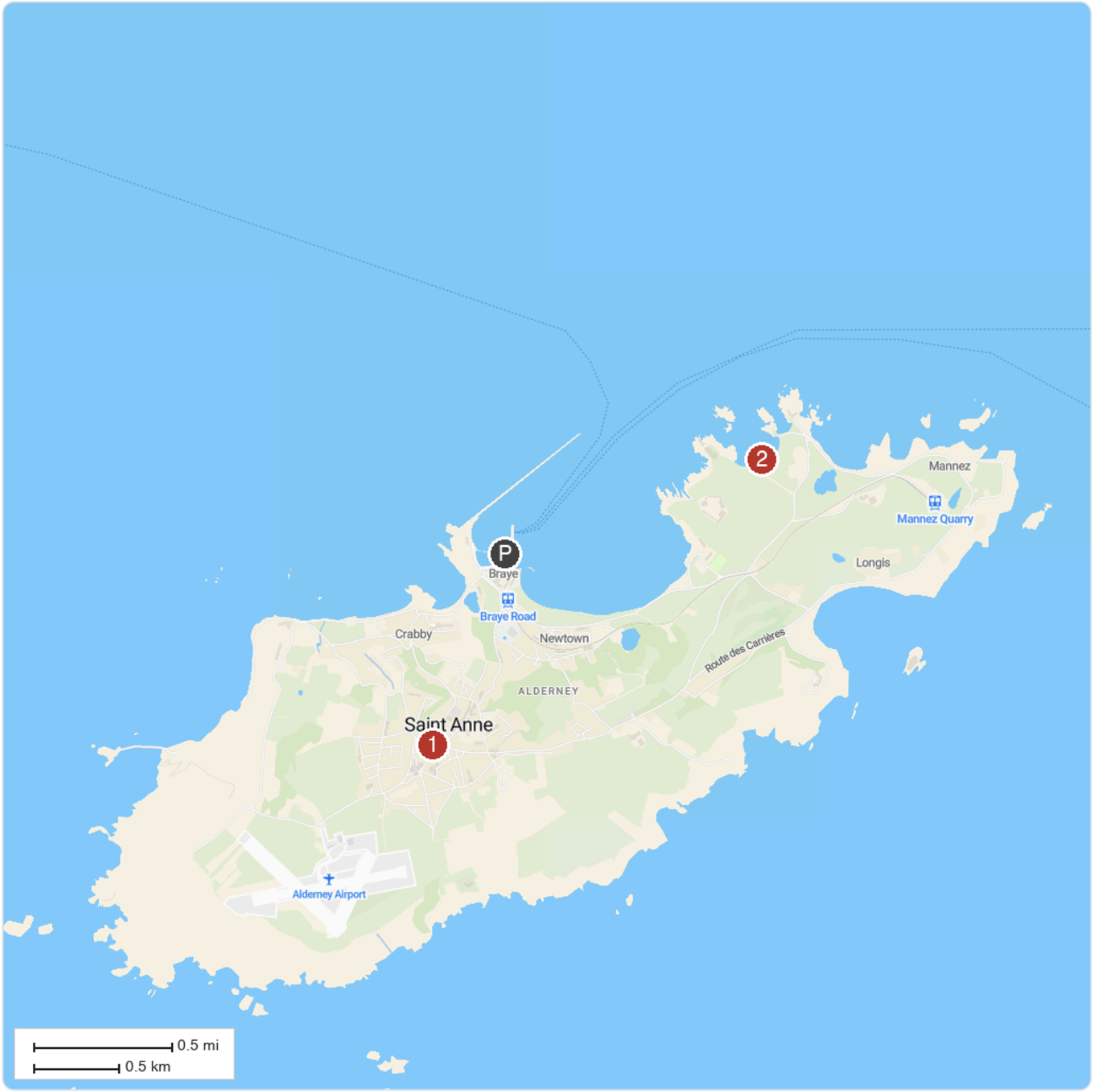
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Tender weather risk:** Braye Bay is exposed to the north; tenders can be cancelled with little notice in swell. Always confirm the tender schedule with your ship before booking independent activities ashore.
- Hire a bike:** The island is 3 miles long and mostly flat once you're out of St Anne. Bikes can be hired near the harbour — it's the fastest and most enjoyable way to reach the eastern beaches and Mannez Lighthouse.
- Cash useful:** Some small vendors and the Alderney Railway prefer cash. ATMs are available in St Anne. Alderney also issues its own stamps and coins — fun souvenirs.
- Book wildlife boat tours early:** The Alderney Wildlife Trust's round-island seabird trips are popular and often pre-booked by ship excursion desks. Check availability before your call.
- Return tender queues:** Time your return to the harbour before the rush — the last 90 minutes before all-aboard can mean long waits. Grab lunch in St Anne and head back early.
- Swimming tides:** Tidal ranges around Alderney are among the largest in Europe. Braye Bay and Saye Beach are relatively safe for swimming at slack tide; check conditions before entering the water.

Alderney, Channel Islands, UK — 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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Alderney Museum

Explore Alderney's history and heritage in this local museum.
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Saye Beach

Relax on this beautiful white sand beach with clear waters.
- P

Cruise port / terminal