

Baltimore, Maryland, USA

Where the Star-Spangled Banner was born — Baltimore blends maritime history, waterfront dining, and easy access to the nation's capital into one of the East Coast's most rewarding port days.

Docked (Cruise Maryland Terminal)

Typical call: 8–10 hrs

US Dollar

English

MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: Arrive: All aboard:

Excursion: Notes:

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Cruise Maryland Terminal, 2001 E McComas St — ships dock pierside, no tender

Best For: History buffs, seafood lovers, families, D.C. day-trippers

To Inner Harbor: ~3 miles / 10–15 min by taxi or rideshare; area around terminal is industrial

Don't Miss: Fort McHenry, National Aquarium, Fells Point waterfront, crab cakes

Getting around: **Taxi** \$10–\$20 · **Rideshare** Uber, Lyft

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Fort McHenry & the Star-Spangled Banner** — Tour the star-shaped fort that withstood British bombardment in 1814, inspiring Francis Scott Key to write the national anthem.
- National Aquarium** — One of the country's top aquariums, home to sharks, rays, dolphins, Australian lungfish, and over 17,000 animals across immersive exhibits.
- Washington D.C. Day Trip** — Baltimore's proximity to D.C.
- Historic Ships in Baltimore** — Explore floating museums at the Inner Harbor: USS Constellation (Civil War sloop), USS Torsk (WWII submarine), the Lightship Chesapeake, and more...
- Fells Point Food & History Walk** — Baltimore's oldest neighborhood is a cobblestoned waterfront district packed with colonial-era taverns, independent restaurants, and the city's best...

BEST WALKS

- Inner Harbor Waterfront Loop** 2 miles • Easy • 45–60 min — Circle the Inner Harbor from the Visitor Center at Light Street past the National Aquarium, Historic Ships, the Harborplace pavilions, and Federal Hill Park for...
- Inner Harbor to Fells Point Waterfront Promenade** 1.5 miles one-way • Easy • 30 min — Follow the paved Waterfront Promenade east from the Inner Harbor through Little Italy to Fells Point's Broadway Pier — a flat, scenic walk with harbor views and park...

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		64°	45°	12d
Jun		81°	64°	13d
Aug		84°	69°	14d
Sep		78°	63°	10d
Oct		67°	52°	10d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY

Apr 6:29AM–7:44PM · Jun 5:39AM–8:34PM · Aug 6:19AM–8:01PM · Sep 6:48AM–7:14PM · Oct 7:16AM–6:26PM

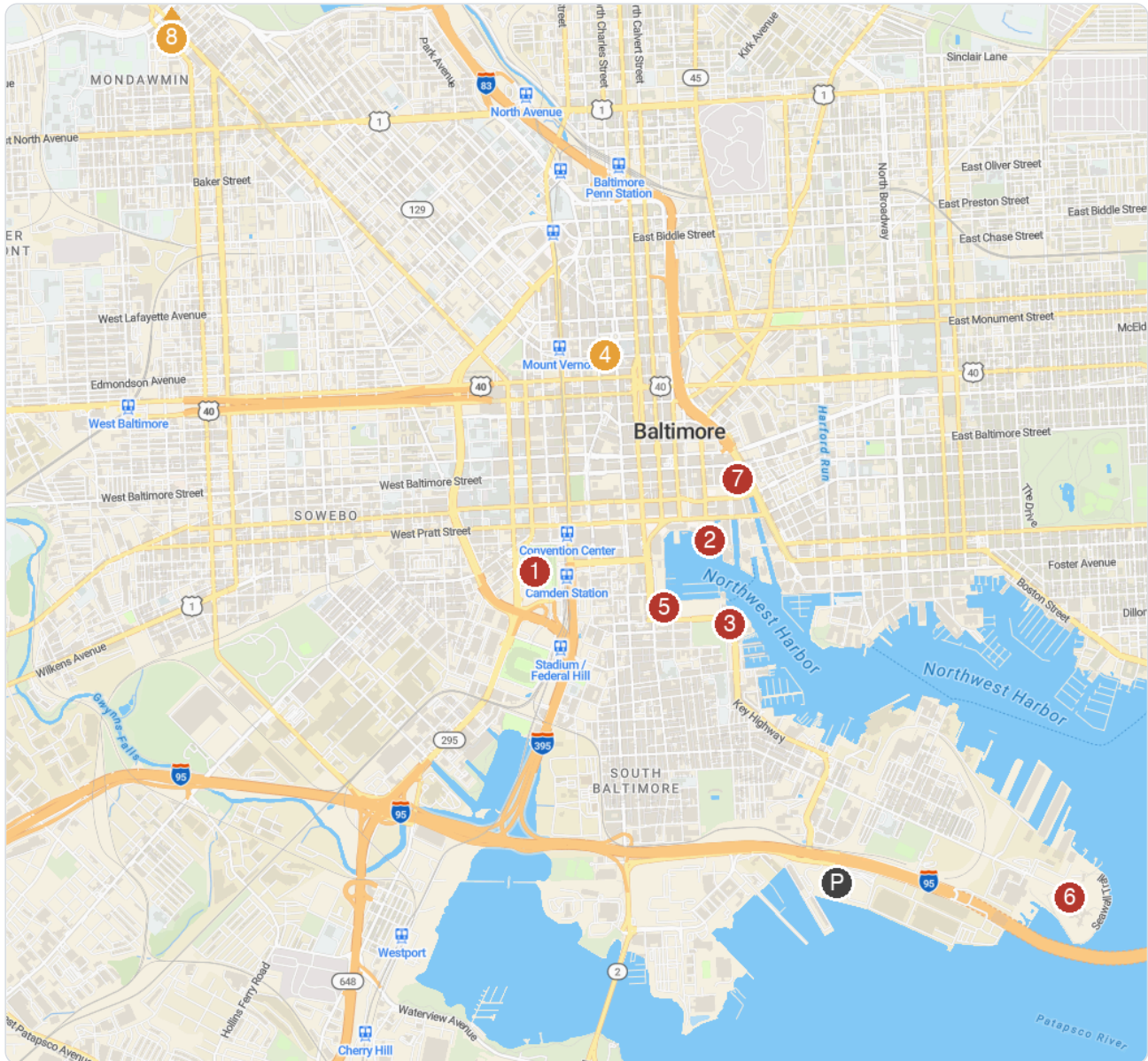
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Eat the crab cakes. Maryland blue crab is the local specialty — get a crab cake sandwich at LP Steamers (near Federal Hill) or grab steamed crabs at Nick's Fish House for an authentic experience.
- Use the Water Taxi. The Baltimore Water Taxi connects Inner Harbor, Fells Point, Federal Hill, and Fort McHenry for a flat daily fee — much easier than rideshare for hopping between neighborhoods.
- Book the aquarium online. The National Aquarium sells out on busy days. Buy tickets in advance at [aqua.org](#) to avoid queues and guarantee entry.
- D.C. day-trippers: leave early. If heading to Washington D.C., aim to depart by 8 AM. Traffic on I-95 can be brutal and you need at least 2 hours in the capital to make it worthwhile.
- Summer humidity is real. Baltimore summers are hot and muggy — wear light layers, bring water, and plan indoor activities (aquarium, museums) around midday heat.
- Cards everywhere. Baltimore is cashless-friendly — taxis, Water Taxi, most restaurants, and all attractions take cards. No need to seek out an ATM.

Baltimore, Maryland, USA — 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 Oriole Park at Camden Yards | Home of the Orioles baseball team. | 2 National Aquarium | Explore diverse marine life in a world-class aquarium. |
| 3 American Visionary Art Museum | Unique museum showcasing art by self-taught artists. | 4 The Walters Art Museum | Free museum with art spanning ancient to modern times. |
| 5 Maryland Science Center | Interactive science museum with exhibits, planetarium, and IMAX. | 6 Fort McHenry National Monument and Historic Shrine | Historic fort where the Star-Spangled Banner was inspired. |
| 7 Port Discovery Children's Museum | Hands-on museum designed for children's interactive learning and play. | 8 The Maryland Zoo in Baltimore | See animals from around the world at this zoo. |
| P Cruise port / terminal | | | |