

Braubach, Rhineland-Palatinate, Germany

A compact medieval town crowned by Marksburg — the only undestroyed hilltop castle on the Middle Rhine. Half-timbered lanes, Rhine promenades, and Riesling await just steps from the dock.

Docked (riverside quay)

Typical call: 5–8 hrs

Euro (€)

German

🍷 MY DAY IN PORT

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

Excursion: _____ Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Riverside quay; ships dock directly on the Rhine, town center 2-min walk

Best For: Castle history, Rhine Valley scenery, medieval architecture

Walk to Marksburg: 30–40 min uphill hike or shuttle bus (~10 min) from the quay

Don't Miss: Guided tour inside Marksburg Castle — the only major Rhine castle never destroyed

🚗 Getting around: 🚗 **Taxi** ✅ €6–10 each way · 🚗 **Rideshare** ❌ not available

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Marksburg Castle Guided Tour** — The only major hilltop castle on the Middle Rhine never to be destroyed, Marksburg offers an exceptionally authentic medieval interior including...
 - **Braubach Old Town Walk** — Stroll narrow lanes past well-preserved 16th–17th-century half-timbered houses to Marktplatz.
- **Rheinsteig Trail Walk** — Braubach is a trailhead for the Rheinsteig, a scenic long-distance hiking path above the Rhine gorge.
 - **Riesling Wine Tasting** — The Middle Rhine Valley is Riesling country.

BEST WALKS

- **Riverside Promenade to Marktplatz** 0.3 km · 5 min · Flat — A quick stroll from the cruise dock along the Rhine promenade straight into Braubach's charming market square, lined with cafes and half-timbered buildings.
- **Old Town Loop: Schloss Philippsburg & St. Remigius** 1.5 km · 25 min · Easy — From Marktplatz, wind through the historic lanes past the 16th-century Schloss Philippsburg and its Renaissance garden, then to St.
- **Hike to Marksburg Castle** 2 km · 35–40 min · Steep — Follow the forest trail uphill from the Braubach quay area to Marksburg Castle.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		59°	42°	11d
Jun		75°	57°	10d
Aug		77°	60°	13d
Sep		70°	54°	9d
Oct		60°	49°	13d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY

Apr 6:36AM–8:23PM · Jun 5:18AM–9:41PM · Aug 6:18AM–8:47PM · Sep 7:05AM–7:42PM · Oct 7:52AM–6:37PM

Euro (€)

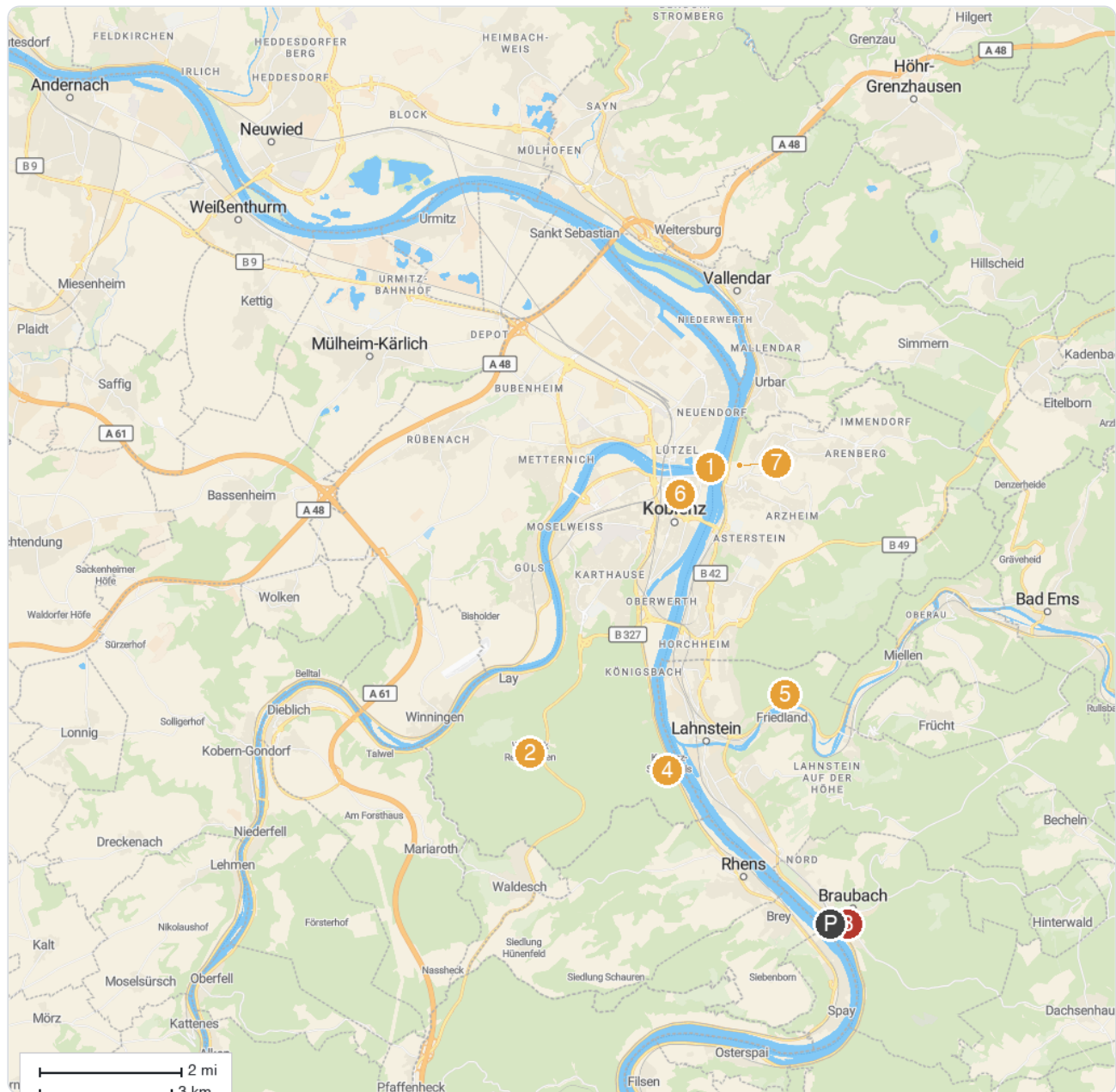
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Book the castle tour in advance in summer — Marksburg only allows entry via guided tour and slots fill quickly when multiple ships are in port.
- Wear proper shoes if hiking to Marksburg. The forest trail is steep and can be slippery. Many cruise lines offer a shuttle for those who prefer not to walk up.
- Typical call is short (5–8 hrs) — prioritize Marksburg Castle first, then wander town on the way back.
- Cash welcomed — bring euros. Many small cafes and wine bars in Braubach prefer or only accept cash.
- Try the local Riesling — the Middle Rhine Valley produces exceptional dry Rieslings. Winzerkeller Philippsburg and nearby bars are good spots to taste.
- No big tourist infrastructure — Braubach is a small town of ~3,200 people. There are no large shops, major banks, or ATMs near the dock; sort cash aboard.

Braubach, Rhineland-Palatinate, Germany — 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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| <p>1 Deutsches Eck</p> <p>3 Marksburg</p> <p>5 Ruppertsklamm</p> <p>7 Ehrenbreitstein Fortress</p> | <p>Confluence of Rhine and Moselle rivers with a grand monument.</p> <p>Authentic, well-preserved medieval castle overlooking the Rhine River.</p> <p>Scenic gorge with a challenging hiking trail and waterfalls.</p> <p>Vast Prussian fortress offering panoramic views of Koblenz.</p> | <p>2 Remstecken</p> <p>4 Stolzenfels Castle</p> <p>6 Mittelrheinmuseum Koblenz</p> <p>P Cruise port / terminal</p> | <p>Wildlife park with deer, wild boar, and nature trails.</p> <p>Romantic 19th-century castle with stunning Rhine views and gardens.</p> <p>Museum showcasing art and history of the Middle Rhine region.</p> |
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