

Cardiff, Wales, United Kingdom

Wales's compact, walkable capital packs a Roman fort, a fairy-tale Victorian castle, and a buzzing waterfront into one very manageable shore day.

 Docked — Queen Alexandra Dock

 Typical call: 8-10 hrs

 Currency: British Pound (GBP)

 Language: English (Welsh spoken)

MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Queen Alexandra Dock, Cardiff Bay — ~1 mile (1.4 km) from city centre

Best For: History, architecture, Welsh culture, easy walkability

Walk to centre: 20-25 min on foot; free port shuttle usually provided

Don't Miss: Cardiff Castle's opulent Victorian apartments and St. Fagans open-air museum

 Getting around:  **Taxi**  ~£7–10 ·  **Rideshare**  Uber, Bolt ·  **Hop-on hop-off**  City Sightseeing Cardiff

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Cardiff Castle & Victorian Apartments** — Cardiff Castle sits at the heart of the city, blending Roman walls, a Norman keep, and extravagant Victorian Gothic...
- **St. Fagans National Museum of History** — One of Europe's finest open-air museums, St.
- **Cardiff Bay Waterfront Walk** — The revitalised bay area is just steps from the ship.
- **Caerphilly Castle Day Trip** — Just 8 miles north of Cardiff, Caerphilly is the largest castle in Wales — famous for its dramatic moat, water...
- **National Museum Cardiff** — Free entry to Wales's national collection of art (Impressionist paintings, Welsh artists), archaeology, and natural...

BEST WALKS

- **Bay to Castle City Walk** 3.5 miles • 1.5-2 hrs • Flat & easy — Walk the full story of Cardiff from the waterfront to the medieval heart of the city, taking in the key landmarks along the way.
- **Arcades & Market Stroll** 1 mile • 45 min • Flat — Weave through Cardiff's beautiful Victorian and Edwardian shopping arcades, finishing at the indoor market for Welsh cakes.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 **CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)**

Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr	55°	41°	10d
Jun	66°	53°	12d
Aug	67°	56°	15d
Sep	65°	53°	12d
Oct	58°	49°	15d

 **DAYLIGHT &  MONEY**

Apr 6:17AM–8:09PM · Jun 4:55AM–9:31PM · Aug 5:58AM–8:34PM · Sep 6:48AM–7:26PM · Oct 7:37AM–6:18PM

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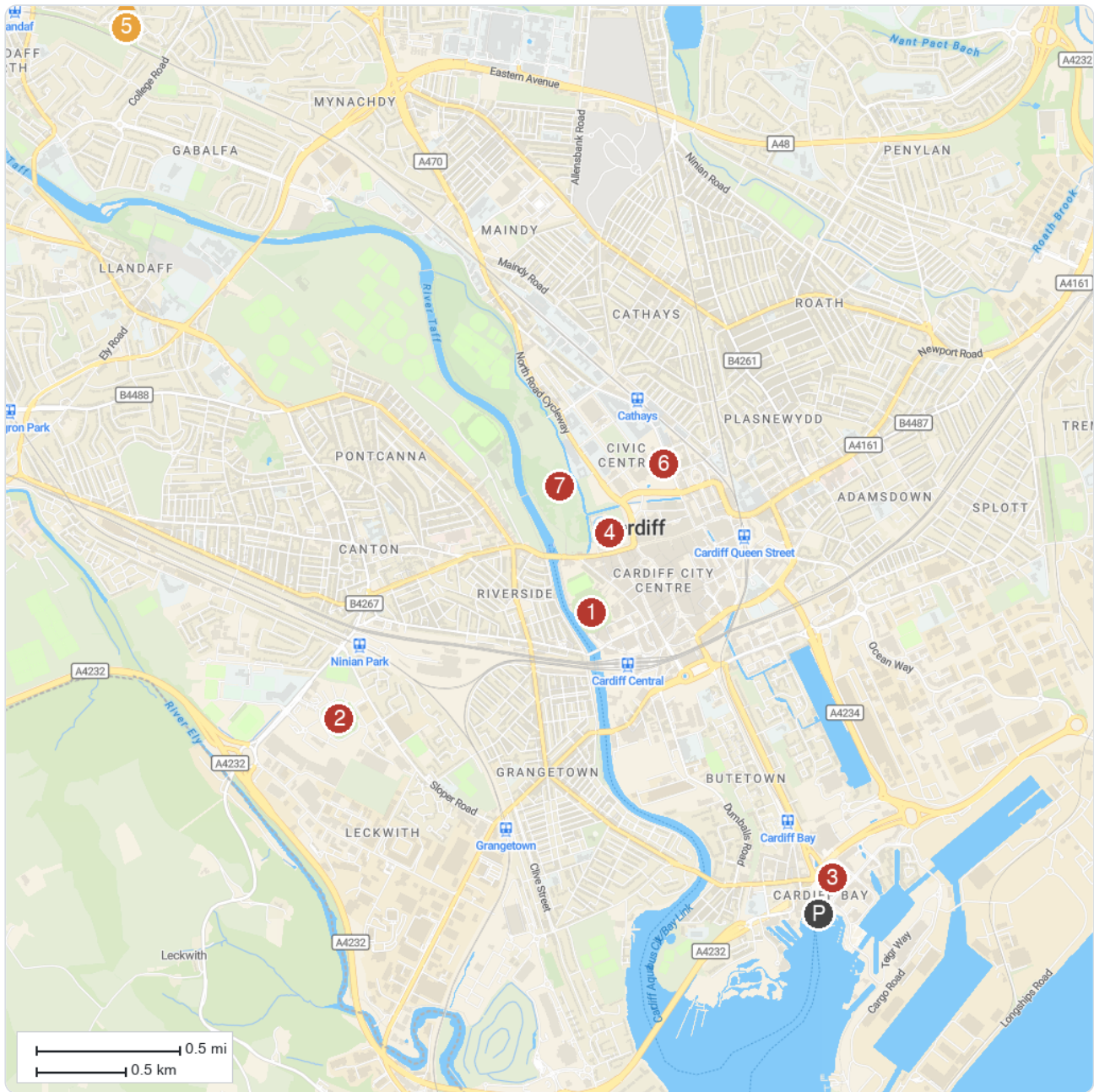
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Use the free shuttle: It saves the 20-min walk and drops you near Cardiff Castle — check last-return time before you head off.
- Free museums: Both National Museum Cardiff and St. Fagans have no admission charge — rare for a capital city

Cardiff, Wales, United Kingdom — 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 Principality Stadium | National stadium for rugby, football, and concerts. | 2 Cardiff City Stadium | Home stadium for Cardiff City Football Club. |
| 3 Wales Millennium Centre | Iconic performing arts centre for opera, ballet, musicals. | 4 Cardiff Castle | Historic castle with lavish Victorian Gothic interiors. |
| 5 Caerphilly Castle | Massive medieval fortress with impressive leaning tower. | 6 National Museum Cardiff | Museum of art, natural history, and archaeology. |
| 7 Bute Park | Large historic park and arboretum in city centre. | P Cruise port / terminal | |