

Chongqing, Chongqing Municipality, China

Where the Yangtze and Jialing Rivers meet, China's mountain megacity stacks neighborhoods on cliff faces, threads monorail trains through skyscrapers, and fuels it all with the nation's most famous spicy hotpot.

 Docked (river pier)  Typical call: embark/debark port  Chinese Yuan (CNY)  Mandarin Chinese  Hotpot capital of China

MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Chaotianmen Dock, Piers 1–17; specific pier confirmed 1–2 days before sailing

Best For: Yangtze River cruise embark/debark, urban exploration, food lovers

Walk to center: Chaotianmen Square is immediately adjacent; Jiefangbei CBD ~1.5 km

Don't Miss: Hongya Cave at night, Ciqikou Ancient Town, a Chongqing hotpot dinner

 Getting around:  **Taxi**  CNY 10–20 (~\$1.50–3) ·  **Rideshare**  DiDi ·  **Hop-on hop-off**  Hop-on hop-off

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Ciqikou Ancient Town** — A well-preserved Ming and Qing dynasty trading port neighborhood, with narrow flagstone lanes, traditional teahouses, Baolun Temple, and stalls...
- **Hongya Cave (Hongyadong) at Night** — An 11-story stilted building complex built into a cliff above the Jialing River, blazing with neon at night in a scene that inspired Miyazaki's...
- **Three Gorges Museum** — Chongqing's premier museum covers the science, history, and folk culture of the Three Gorges region, with exhibits on ancient Ba civilization...
- **Chongqing Hotpot Experience** — Chongqing invented the nine-palace-grid hotpot and remains its spiritual home.
- **Yangtze River Ropeway** — The last surviving cross-river ropeway in Chongqing, once a daily commute for residents, now carries tourists 1,166 metres over the Yangtze with...

BEST WALKS

- **Chaotianmen to Jiefangbei CBD Riverside Walk** 2.5 km · 40 min · Easy — From the dock at Chaotianmen Square, follow the riverfront promenade southwest along the Yangtze past Hongya Cave and up into the Jiefangbei pedestrian commercial...
- **Ciqikou Ancient Town Loop** 2 km · 1.5 hrs · Easy — Explore the flagstone lanes of Ciqikou, visit Baolun Temple, browse handicraft stalls, and settle into a riverside teahouse.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)				 DAYLIGHT &  MONEY	
Mon	High	Low	Rain	Apr 6:27AM–7:20PM · Jun 5:53AM–7:55PM · Aug 6:21AM–7:34PM · Sep 6:38AM–6:58PM · Oct 6:55AM–6:23PM	
Apr	74°	59°	16d		
Jun	83°	71°	17d		
Aug	91°	77°	13d		
Sep	82°	70°	16d		
Oct	72°	61°	16d		

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Order the local hotpot: Chongqing hotpot uses mala (numbing-spicy) broth. Tell staff your spice tolerance — even 'medium' is intense by global standards. Budget ¥80–150 per person.
- Get WeChat Pay or Alipay: Many Chongqing vendors do not accept cash or foreign cards. Download WeChat and link a card before arrival, or carry CNY cash as backup.
- Metro is your friend: Chongqing's metro reaches all major sights cheaply. Buy a stored-value card at any station. Note that Line 2 is a monorail — enjoy the ride.
- Night views are spectacular: Chongqing is famously beautiful after dark. If your ship departs in the evening, arrive at Hongya Cave or Eling Park at dusk for the light show.
- Fog and rain are normal: Chongqing averages only 100 sunny days a year. Pack a compact umbrella — misty conditions actually add atmosphere to the mountain scenery.
- Expect stairs and hills: Chongqing has almost no flat ground. Wear comfortable shoes; many attractions involve steep climbs or escalators cut into cliff faces.

Chongqing, Chongqing Municipality, China — 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 Nanbin Road Scenic Area | Riverside road with city views, dining, and historical architecture. | 2 CiCi-PARK | Modern shopping mall with diverse stores and entertainment. |
| 3 Chaotianmen Dock | Confluence of Jialing and Yangtze rivers, a major port. | 4 Three Gorges Museum | Museum showcasing Three Gorges Dam and Chongqing's history. |
| P Cruise port / terminal | | | |