

Dunedin, Otago, New Zealand

New Zealand's "Edinburgh of the South" pairs grand gold-rush architecture with world-class wildlife — where royal albatross soar over the ocean just minutes from the city.

Docked at pier (Port Chalmers) Typical call: 8–10 hrs New Zealand Dollar (NZD) English Wildlife capital of NZ

MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Docked at Port Chalmers wharf (~13 km from city center)

Walk to center: Not walkable — shuttle or public bus Route 14 required

Best For: Wildlife, Victorian history, Scottish heritage, local seafood

Don't Miss: Royal Albatross Centre at Taiaroa Head, Otago Peninsula

Getting around: **Taxi** NZD 45–60 to city center · **Rideshare** Uber · **Hop-on hop-off** Hop-on hop-off

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Royal Albatross Centre — Taiaroa Head** — The world's only mainland breeding colony of Northern Royal Albatross sits at the tip of the Otago Peninsula.
- **Larnach Castle & Gardens** — New Zealand's only castle was built in 1871 by politician William Larnach and features ornate Victorian interiors, sweeping harbour views, and...
- **Dunedin City Heritage Walk** — Dunedin's Victorian and Edwardian core is one of the best-preserved in the Southern Hemisphere.
- **Tunnel Beach Coastal Walk** — A short but dramatic hike through farmland leads to a hand-carved tunnel opening onto a secluded sandstone beach flanked by towering cliffs and...
- **Craft Beer & Local Seafood** — Emerson's Brewery — a NZ craft-beer pioneer — is a short walk from the University with an excellent restaurant attached.

BEST WALKS

- **Port Chalmers Heritage Stroll** 30 min · flat · from pier — Port Chalmers has a compact Victorian main street with cafes, a heritage museum, and harbour views.
- **Dunedin Station to Octagon Loop** 1 hr · easy · city center — From the spectacular Flemish Renaissance Railway Station, walk through the Toitū Museum precinct, past Olveston Historic Home, and into the eight-sided Octagon for...

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)				DAYLIGHT & MONEY	
Mon	High	Low	Rain		
Apr	59°	46°	12d	Apr 7:14AM–6:01PM · Jun 8:18AM–4:58PM · Aug 7:37AM–5:47PM ·	
Jun	50°	39°	10d	Sep 6:41AM–6:25PM · Oct 6:44AM–8:04PM	
Aug	51°	38°	12d		
Sep	54°	41°	13d		
Oct	57°	43°	15d		

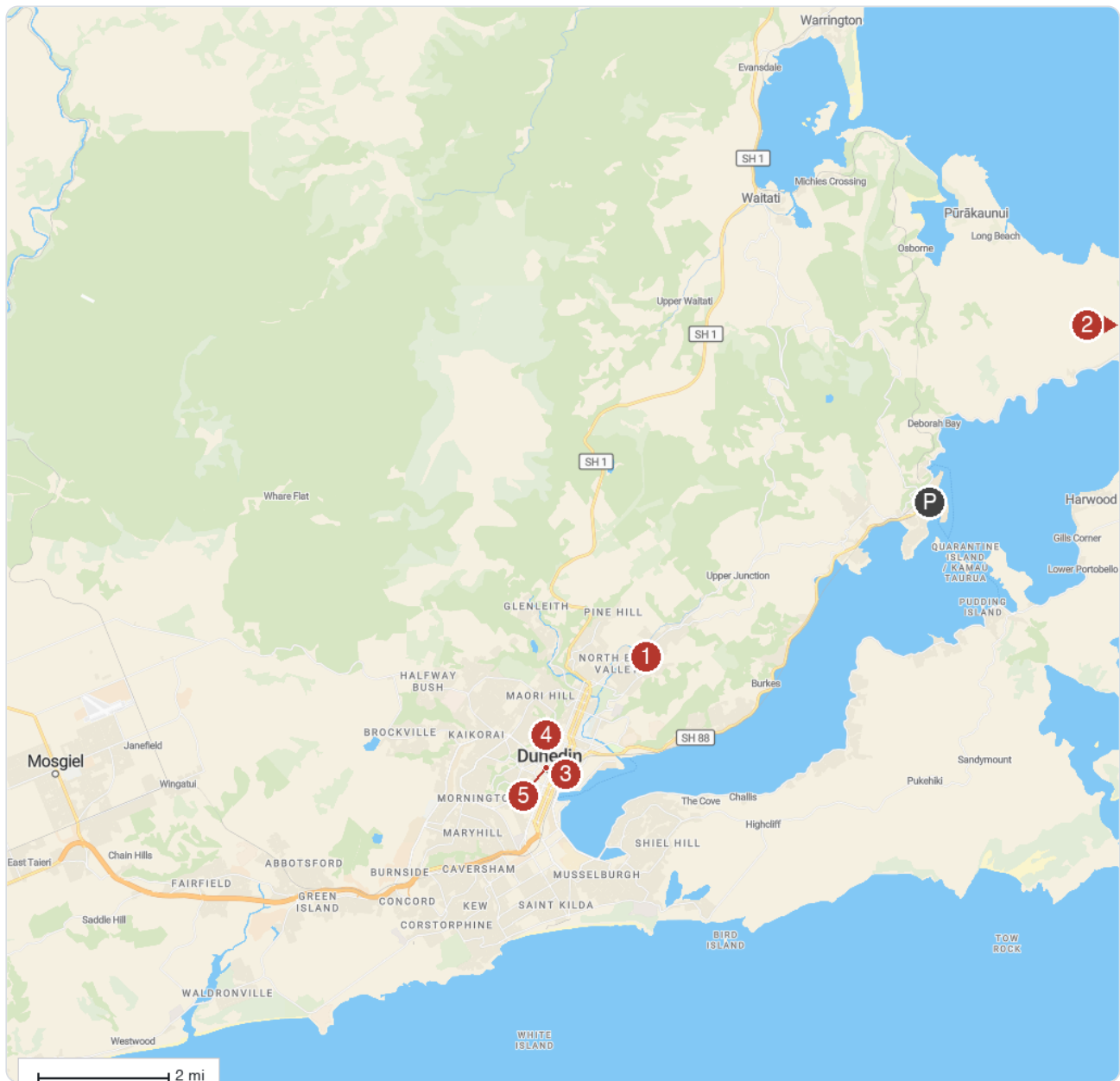
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Plan transport early. The cruise shuttle sells out on busy days. Book via your ship's shore-excursion desk or buy a public bus ticket (Orbus Route 14) before leaving the pier.
- Book Otago Peninsula tours in advance. The Royal Albatross Centre is timed-entry and fills fast. Pre-book online or through your cruise line — walk-in access is not guaranteed.
- Four seasons in one day. Dunedin's weather is famously changeable — pack a windproof, waterproof layer even if the morning looks sunny.
- Strict biosecurity. New Zealand has zero tolerance for bringing fresh food ashore. Do not carry fruit, sandwiches, honey, or meat off the ship — sniffer dogs patrol the gangway, and fines start at NZ\$400.
- Card-friendly country. Credit and debit cards (Visa/Mastercard) are accepted almost everywhere in Dunedin, including small cafes. Tipping is not customary.
- Yellow-eyed penguin timing. Hoiho (yellow-eyed penguin) viewing at penguin conservation reserves on the Otago Peninsula is best at dusk — confirm with your tour operator whether it fits your ship's departure time.

Dunedin, Otago, New Zealand — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



- 1 Baldwin Street** Officially the world's steepest residential street, a quirky landmark in a hillside neighborhood.
- 3 Dunedin Railway Station** Flamboyant Edwardian railway station considered one of New Zealand's most photographed buildings.
- 5 St Paul's Cathedral, Dunedin** Anglican cathedral in the Octagon built of Oamaru stone, a centerpiece of the city center.

- 2 Otago Peninsula Royal Albatross Centre** The world's only mainland royal albatross breeding colony, with a visitor center and viewing platforms.
- 4 Olveston Historic Home** Preserved Edwardian mansion offering guided tours of its original furnishings and art collection.
- P Cruise port / terminal**