

Gijón, Asturias, Spain

Northern Spain's Celtic soul — bagpipes, cider poured from above, a crescent beach, and a medieval hilltop quarter all within easy reach of the port shuttle.

⚓ Pier (El Musel — shuttle required) ⌚ Typical call: 6–9 hrs 💶 Euro 🗣️ Spanish (Asturian dialect)

👉 MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Pier at El Musel, ~6 km from city center — shuttle or taxi required

Best For: Old quarter, Roman baths, San Lorenzo Beach, Asturian cider & food

Walk to Center: Not walkable — industrial port; shuttle ~10–15 min, taxi ~€12

Don't Miss: Elogio del Horizonte sculpture on Cerro de Santa Catalina

🚗 Getting around: 🚗 Taxi ✅ €11–15 · 🚌 Hop-on hop-off ✅ Hop-on hop-off

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Cimavilla Old Quarter & Cerro de Santa Catalina** — Wander the cobblestone streets of Gijón's historic fisherman's quarter, climb to Eduardo Chillida's Elogio del Horizonte sculpture for cliff-top sea...
- **Termas Romanas de Campo Valdés** — Underground 1st-century Roman public baths at the foot of Playa de San Lorenzo — one of Spain's best-preserved urban Roman sites.
- **Playa de San Lorenzo Promenade** — Stroll El Muro, the broad seafront promenade alongside Gijón's 1.5 km crescent beach.
- **La Laboral Ciudad de la Cultura** — Spain's largest building — a vast mid-20th-century complex with a 117-metre tower, church dome, and courtyard.
- **Asturian Cider House Lunch** — Join locals in a sidrería for the full ritual: escanciado pouring from height, a culín of sharp sidra, and plates of cachopo (stuffed veal) or fabada...

BEST WALKS

- **Marina to Cimavilla to San Lorenzo Loop** 3–4 km · 1.5–2 hrs · Easy–Moderate — Start at the Marina's red Gijón letters, walk north into Cimavilla's old quarter, climb Cerro de Santa Catalina for the Chillida sculpture and sea views, descend to the...
- **Marina & Poniente Beach Stroll** 1–2 km · 45 min · Easy — A relaxed flat walk along the sheltered Poniente Beach from the Marina to the Aquarium — good for families or those wanting calm water views without the climb up...

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

🌦️ CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)				🇪🇸 DAYLIGHT & 💶 MONEY	
Mon	High	Low	Rain	Apr 7:40AM–9:05PM · Jun 6:41AM–10:05PM · Aug 7:27AM–9:25PM · Sep 8:02AM–8:32PM · Oct 8:37AM–7:38PM Euro	
Apr	60°	48°	14d		
Jun	68°	58°	14d		
Aug	73°	62°	12d		
Sep	71°	59°	12d		
Oct	67°	55°	12d		

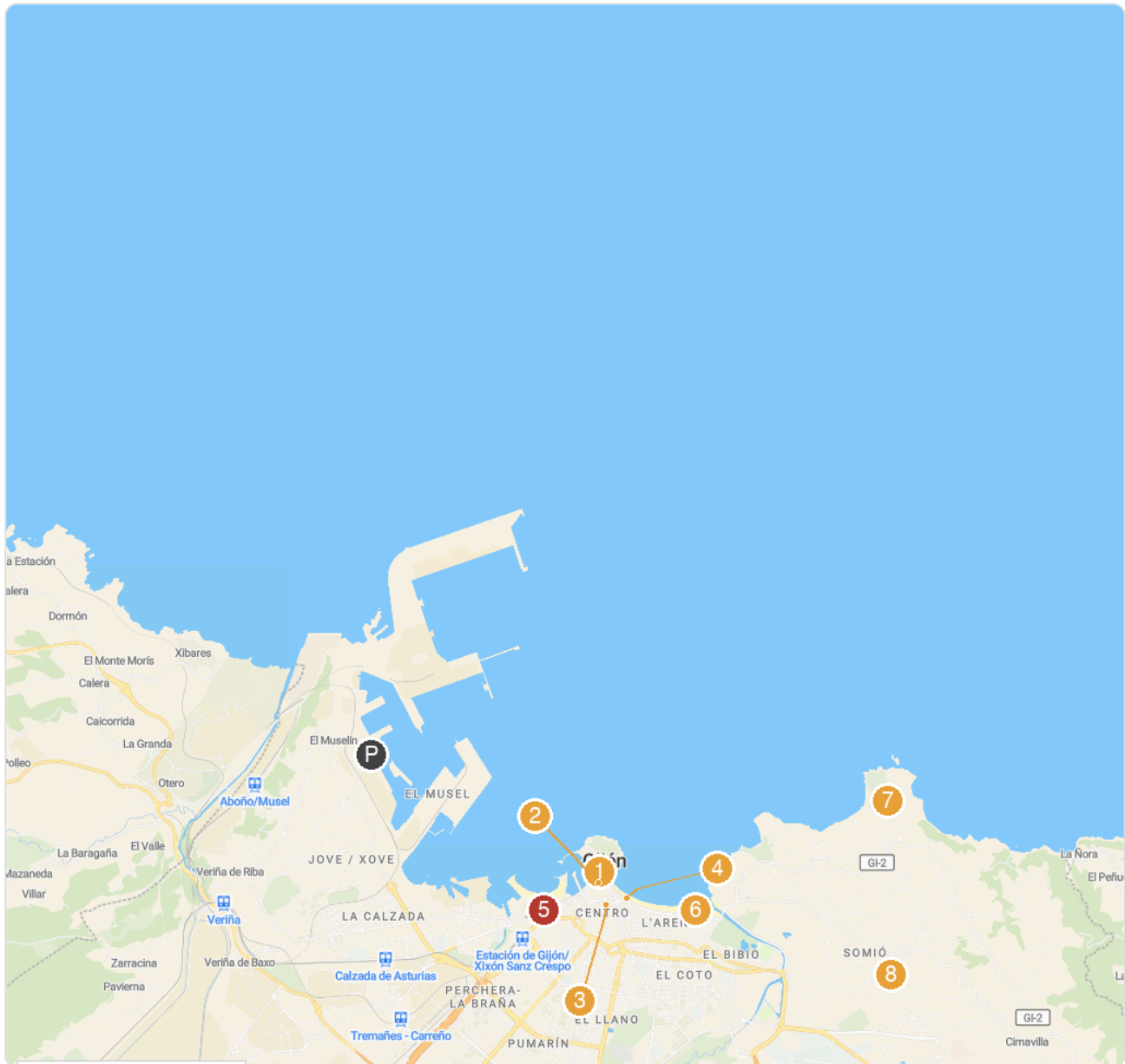
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Pack a rain jacket. Asturias is called 'Green Spain' for a reason — showers are common even in summer. Light layers are a must.
- Try the cider ritual. In any sidrería, order sidra and watch the escanciador pour it from above — drink your culín fast before the bubbles fade.
- Confirm shuttle times before you go. Ask the ship when the last shuttle back departs from the Marina — missing it means a €12 taxi.
- Siesta is real here. Many local shops close 14:00–17:00. Plan your shopping for morning or after 17:00; major stores and restaurants stay open.
- Cash isn't critical but handy. Cards accepted nearly everywhere, including taxis and bars, but having €20–30 in euros helps at smaller sidrerías and markets.
- English is limited — but locals are warm. Download the Spanish Google Translate offline pack. A few Spanish words go a long way in this off-the-beaten-cruise-track city.

Gijón, Asturias, Spain — 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 Palacio de Revillagigedo | Historic palace, now a cultural center and exhibition space. | 2 Museo Barjola | Art museum showcasing works by painter Juan Barjola. |
| 3 Basilica of the Sacred Heart of Jesus | Neo-Gothic basilica, a prominent religious landmark in Gijón. | 4 La Escalera | Iconic monumental staircase marking San Lorenzo beach entrance. |
| 5 Museo Ferrocarril | Gijón's railway museum, displaying historic trains and artifacts. | 6 Playa de San Lorenzo | Gijón's main urban beach, popular for sunbathing and strolls. |
| 7 Cabo San Lorenzo Park | Coastal park on a cape, offering panoramic views and nature. | 8 Evaristo Valle Foundation Museum | Art museum and gardens dedicated to painter Evaristo Valle. |
| P Cruise port / terminal | | | |