

Golfo Aranci, Sardinia, Italy

A former fishing village on Sardinia's northeast coast, Golfo Aranci punches above its size with five beaches steps from the pier, dolphin-watching excursions, and quick access to the glamour of the Costa Smeralda.

 Docked (pier)  Typical call: 7-9 hrs  Euro (€)  Italian

MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Pier — most ships dock directly; very large vessels may tender

Walk to center: 5 min to town, 5-10 min to nearest beach

Best For: Beaches, boat trips, Costa Smeralda day excursions

Don't Miss: Dolphin-watching cruise & Cala Moresca beach hike

 Getting around:  **Taxi**  €5–€10 local; €45–€55 to Olbia ·  **Rideshare**  Uber

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Dolphin-Watching Boat Trip** — Eco-boats patrol the waters around Figarolo Island where bottlenose dolphins are regularly spotted.
- **La Maddalena Archipelago Day Trip** — Boat excursion to this protected national park reveals deserted beaches, pink sands of Budelli, and crystalline coves around Spargi and Caprera...
- **Costa Smeralda & Porto Cervo** — A 40-minute drive north delivers you to the world's most glamorous yacht harbour.
- **Capo Figari Hike & Lighthouse** — Trail up the headland above town leads to a working lighthouse with sweeping views over the gulf, Tavolara Island, and the Sardinian coast.
- **Tavolara & Molara Island Snorkel** — Boat trips south to the dramatic limestone tower of Tavolara and the pristine natural pools of Molara combine swimming stops with superb underwater...

BEST WALKS

- **Seafront Promenade & Town Beaches** 1.5 km · Flat · 20 min one-way — Stroll from the port along the promenade past Prima Spiaggia (most central) all the way to Quinta Spiaggia.
- **Capo Figari Trail to the Lighthouse** 5 km return · Moderate · 2-2.5 hrs — Follow signs from Cala Moresca up through Mediterranean scrub to the Capo Figari lighthouse.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)				 DAYLIGHT &  MONEY	
Mon	High	Low	Rain	Apr 6:42AM–8:01PM · Jun 5:49AM–8:55PM · Aug 6:31AM–8:19PM · Sep 7:02AM–7:30PM · Oct 7:33AM–6:40PM Euro (€)	
Apr	65°	52°	7d		
Jun	82°	67°	4d		
Aug	87°	73°	2d		
Sep	80°	67°	5d		
Oct	73°	61°	7d		

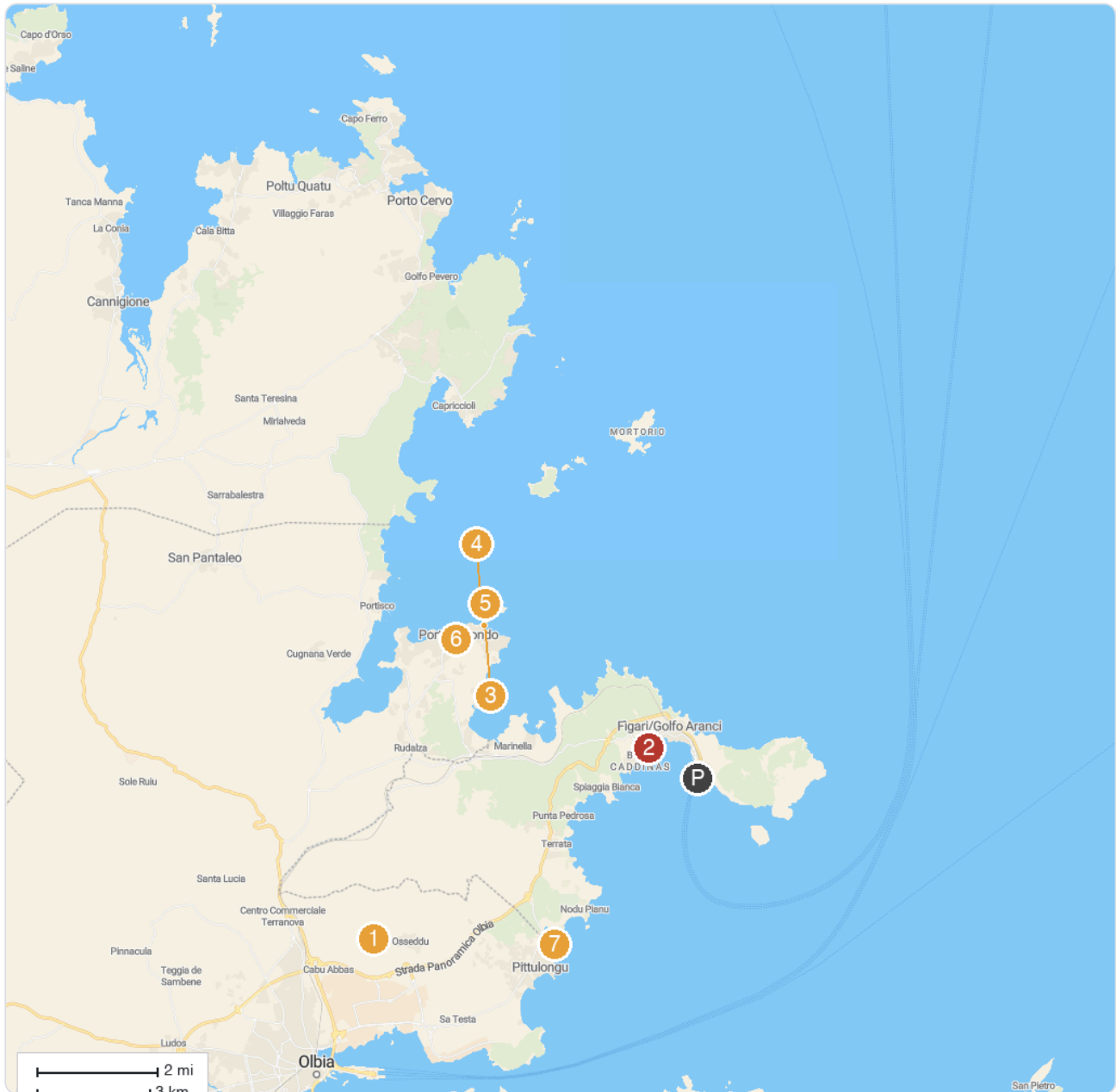
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Free beaches steps away: Prima through Quinta Spiaggia are all free public beaches within 10 minutes' walk of the pier — no excursion needed for a beach day.
- Train to Olbia is cheap and easy: €2 gets you to Olbia in about 25 minutes. Good option for shopping, a cathedral visit, or the archaeological museum.
- Book dolphin tours early: Boats fill fast in summer. Book onboard or via tour desk on day one — don't leave it to the morning of your port call.
- Don't take sand or shells: Sardinian law prohibits removing sand, pebbles, or shells from beaches. Fines are enforced at airport and port security.
- Try the local white wine: Vermentino di Gallura DOCG is made in the hills behind town. Order it anywhere by the carafe — refreshing with grilled fish.
- Afternoon siesta: Small shops may close 13:00–16:30. Restaurants and beach bars stay open, but plan souvenir shopping for the morning.

Golfo Aranci, Sardinia, Italy — 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 Nuraghe Riu Mulinu Cabu Abbas</p> <p>3 Spiaggia Alghe</p> <p>5 Spiaggia Hruska</p> <p>7 Spiaggia di Bados</p> | <p>Ancient Sardinian stone tower offering historical insight and views.</p> <p>Alghe Beach is a small, scenic sandy cove.</p> <p>Hruska Beach is a small, tranquil sandy beach.</p> <p>Bados Beach is a wide, sandy beach with clear waters.</p> | <p>2 Quinta Spiaggia</p> <p>4 Spiaggia di Shirley Bassey</p> <p>6 San Lorenzo Church</p> <p>P Cruise port / terminal</p> | <p>Fifth Beach is a popular sandy beach for swimming.</p> <p>Shirley Bassey Beach is a beautiful, secluded sandy cove.</p> <p>San Lorenzo Church is a charming local place of worship.</p> |
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