

# Great Stirrup Cay, Berry Islands, Bahamas

The original cruise line private island — 268 acres of turquoise Bahamian water, powdery beaches, and a laid-back vibe that feels worlds away from the megaship parks. Norwegian Cruise Line has owned it since 1977, and a major \$150M upgrade is underway.

Two-berth pier open — confirm your ship's arrival method

Typical call: 7–9 hrs

USD accepted everywhere; drinks on Free at Sea package

English

NCL / Oceania / Regent exclusive

## MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Arrive: \_\_\_\_\_ All aboard: \_\_\_\_\_

Excursion: \_\_\_\_\_ Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

## GETTING ASHORE

**Docking:** NCL's 4 August 2026 release states that the new two-berth pier is officially open, as checked 3 October 2026. Confirm your ship's actual docking or tender arrangements in its daily program; pier availability and weather can still affect a call. <https://www.ncl.com/newsroom/norwegian-cruise-line-unveils-first-look-at-the-all-new-great-tides-waterpark-on-its-private-island-great-stirrup-cay/>

**Best For:** Beach days, snorkeling, water sports, families, first-time Bahamas visitors

**Walk to beach:** Walking distances depend on your assigned arrival point; follow NCL's current map and signs. Tram access is available at the Welcome Plaza.

**Don't Miss:** Abaco Taco and the Underwater Snorkel Garden

Getting around:

## TOP THINGS TO DO

- Flighthouse Zipline** — NCL's Flighthouse Zipline offers paid zipline adventures above the island.
  - Underwater Snorkel Garden** — Explore NCL's underwater sculpture garden just off the beach.
- Silver Cove Villa or Classic Cabana** — Reserve a beach cabana or an air-conditioned Silver Cove villa through NCL.
  - Wave Runners** — NCL offers guided Wave Runner rides around the island waters.
  - Kayak & Stand-Up Paddleboard** — NCL offers kayak and paddleboard activities in the island waters.

## BEST WALKS

- Arrival area to island amenities** Distance and route vary by landing point — Follow NCL's current island map and signs from your assigned pier or tender landing.

## WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

**CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)**

|     |      |     |      |
|-----|------|-----|------|
| Mon | High | Low | Rain |
| Apr | 77°  | 74° | 10d  |
| Jun | 82°  | 79° | 16d  |
| Aug | 85°  | 81° | 15d  |
| Sep | 84°  | 81° | 16d  |
| Oct | 82°  | 79° | 17d  |

**DAYLIGHT & MONEY**

Apr 6:48AM–7:34PM · Jun 6:20AM–8:04PM · Aug 6:44AM–7:46PM · Sep 6:57AM–7:15PM · Oct 7:10AM–6:43PM

USD accepted everywhere; drinks on Free at Sea package

## KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Bring towels from the ship. NCL does not stock towels on the island. Check out pool towels before you disembark — they'll be waiting at the ship's towel station.
- Bring USD cash for the Straw Market. The Bahamian craft vendors only take cash. Ship card works for NCL bars and excursions.
- Check current bar locations. Use NCL's current island map for bar locations and check beverage-package terms for your sailing. Do not assume a named bar is beside your landing point or that every venue is included.
- Pack bug spray. 'No-see-ums' (sandflies) can appear in the late afternoon, especially near the shoreline. A small bottle saves the end of your day.
- Water shoes recommended. Sand is soft, but rocky patches lurk near snorkel areas. Water shoes protect feet and improve grip on rocky entry points.

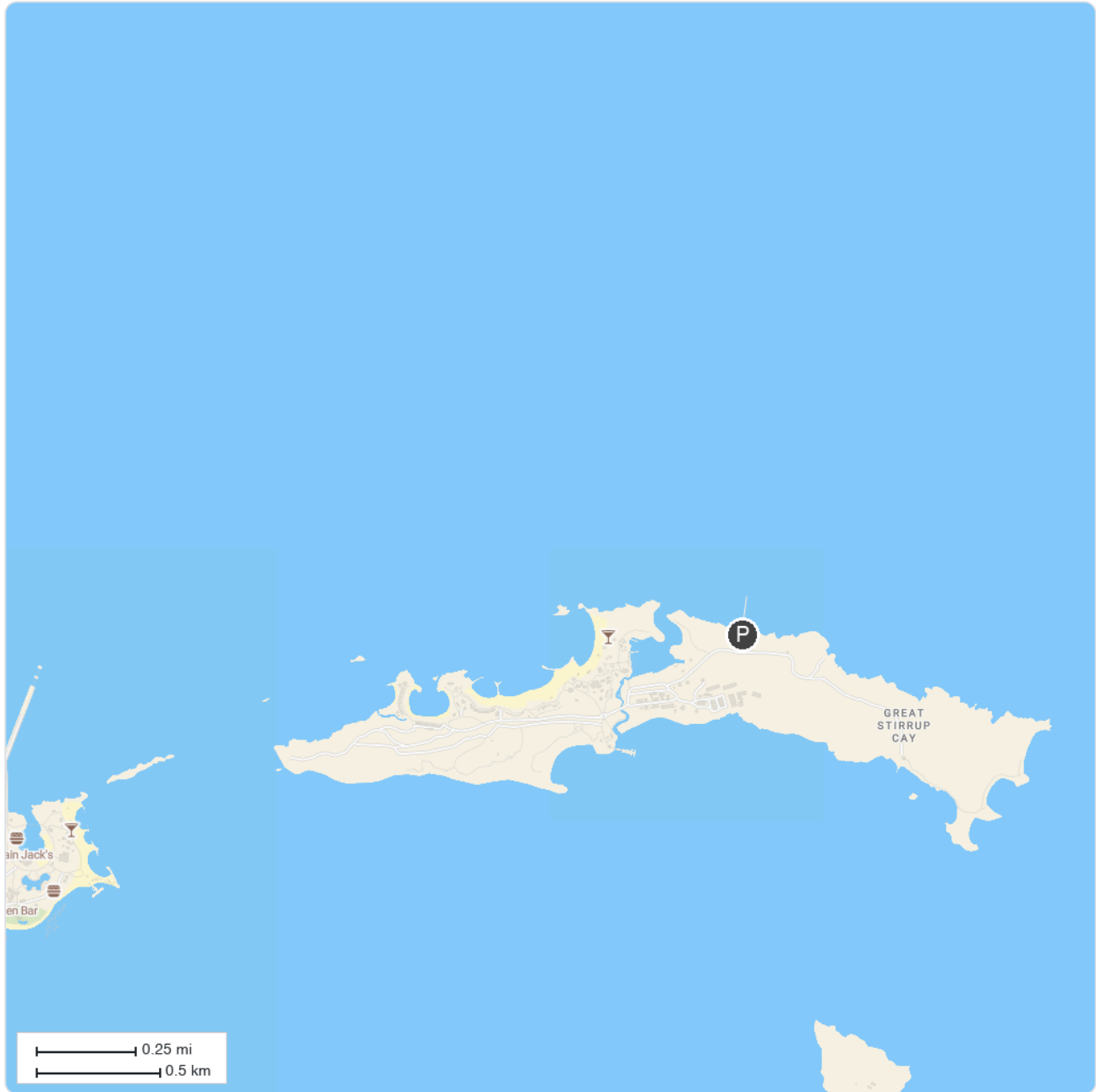
## ESSENTIAL TRAVEL QUALIFICATIONS

- NCL confirms two-berth pier officially open in 4 August 2026 release (checked 3 October 2026). Confirm actual docking/tender instructions and weather on your ship; no always-tender promise.

## Great Stirrup Cay, Berry Islands, Bahamas — Port Map

[cruiseports.org](https://cruiseports.org)

Approximate arrival-area reference only; attraction positions and walking routes are unverified and omitted. Follow NCL's current island map and staff instructions. Geometry corroboration: © OpenStreetMap contributors (ODbL); not surveyed or for navigation.



**P** Great Stirrup Cay arrival area (approx.; not for navigation)