

Greenock, Scotland, United Kingdom

Scotland's premier cruise gateway puts Glasgow's world-class museums, the bonnie banks of Loch Lomond, and Highland scenery within easy reach — and Greenock itself delivers a warm Scottish welcome with a live piper and panoramic Clyde views.

🚢 Pier (Greenock Ocean Terminal) ⌚ Typical call: 8-10 hrs 🇬🇧 British Pound Sterling (GBP) 🗣️ English (Scottish) ✉️ Gateway to Glasgow & Highlands

👉 MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Direct pier — Greenock Ocean Terminal (no tender)

Walk to center: 10-15 min flat walk to Greenock town center

Best For: Glasgow city day trips, Loch Lomond, Scotch whisky, history

Don't Miss: Kelvingrove Museum (free), the pier pipe band farewell

🚗 Getting around: 🚕 **Taxi** ✅ £60–£100 one way · 🚌 **Hop-on hop-off** ✅ McGill's Buses

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Glasgow City Day Trip — DIY by Train** — Take the ScotRail train to Glasgow Central and explore on foot.
- **Loch Lomond & the Trossachs** — Britain's largest freshwater loch is just 45 minutes from the port.
- **Inveraray Castle & Argyll** — The ancestral seat of the Duke of Argyll, Inveraray Castle is a fairytale turreted castle featured in Downton Abbey.
- **McLean Museum & Greenock Local History** — A free, fascinating museum celebrating Greenock's maritime and industrial past, including exhibits on James Watt (the steam engine pioneer born...)
- **Scotch Whisky Tasting — Clydeside Distillery** — Glasgow's only working waterfront distillery sits next to the Riverside Museum.

BEST WALKS

- **Greenock Esplanade Waterfront Walk** 1.5 miles one-way · Flat · 30-45 min · Free — Starting from the cruise terminal, follow the Esplanade east along the Firth of Clyde.
- **Glasgow Merchant City & Cathedral Walk** 1.5 miles loop · Easy · 45-60 min after train · Free — From Glasgow Central, walk north through the Merchant City to George Square, then up High Street to Glasgow Cathedral and the atmospheric Victorian Necropolis cemetery...

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

🌦️ CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)				🇬🇧 DAYLIGHT & 💰 MONEY	
Mon	High	Low	Rain	Apr 6:13AM–8:25PM · Jun 4:32AM–10:06PM · Aug 5:50AM–8:54PM · Sep 6:51AM–7:35PM · Oct 7:50AM–6:17PM	
Apr	52°	40°	12d		
Jun	63°	51°	17d		
Aug	63°	53°	19d		
Sep	60°	51°	16d		
Oct	54°	46°	19d		

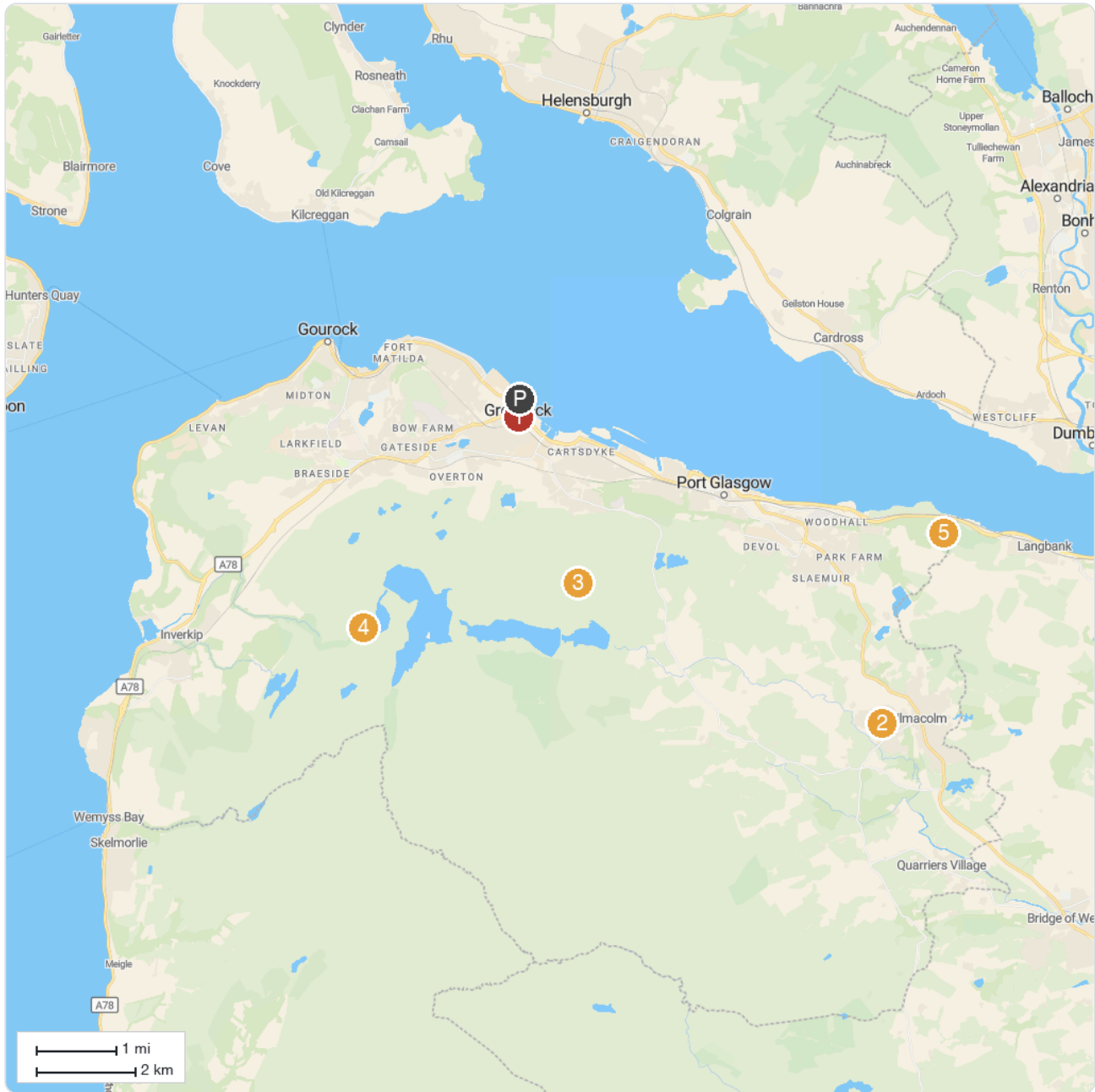
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Pack a waterproof: West Scotland weather changes fast. Even a sunny morning can turn wet — always carry a waterproof jacket and a layer.
- Train is the best way to Glasgow: Walk about 12-15 minutes to Greenock Central Station; trains run every 15-30 minutes to Glasgow Central (35-40 min, ~£10-12 return). Download the ScotRail app to buy tickets and skip queues.
- Scotland is nearly cashless: Cards and Apple Pay are accepted almost everywhere — buses, trains, cafés, museums. You rarely need GBP cash, though some small spots are cash-only.
- Scottish banknotes: Banks in Scotland print their own notes (Bank of Scotland, RBS, Clydesdale). They're legal tender but can be tricky to spend in England — use them up before you leave Scotland.
- Leave Glasgow by 3pm: Give yourself a comfortable buffer. Trains take 35-40 min and ships are strict on all-aboard times. On Sundays, trains run roughly once per hour.
- Stay for the sail-away: Greenock is famous for a pipe band or Highland dancers performing on the pier as ships depart. Locals gather on the Esplanade to wave goodbye — one of the most memorable sail-aways in all of cruising.

Greenock, Scotland, United Kingdom — 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 Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Museum and Heritage Centre | Explore Scotland's firefighting history and heritage. | 2 Birkmyre Park | Relaxing local park with sports facilities and green space. |
| 3 Corlic Hill | Hike to panoramic views over Greenock and the Clyde. | 4 Greenock Cut Visitor Centre | Gateway to a historic aqueduct walk with scenic views. |
| 5 Finlaystone Country Park | Beautiful country park with gardens, woodlands, and play areas. | P Cruise port / terminal | |