

Hong Kong, China

Vertical skyscrapers meet ancient temples, neon night markets, and a harbour that glitters at 8 PM. Hong Kong rewards every type of cruiser — from the dim sum devotee to the cable-car adventurer — and its world-class MTR makes it all effortlessly reachable.

Docked (Ocean Terminal or Kai Tak) Typical call: 8-12 hrs Hong Kong Dollar (HKD ~7.8:1 USD) Cantonese & English

MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Ocean Terminal (central Tsim Sha Tsui) or Kai Tak Cruise Terminal (Kowloon Bay — not walkable to city centre)

Best For: Harbour skylines, dim sum and Cantonese food, street markets, temples, cable cars, and the Big Buddha

Walk to centre: Ocean Terminal: steps from Harbour City mall and Star Ferry. Kai Tak: taxi or shuttle required (~15-25 min to TST)

Don't Miss: Victoria Peak at golden hour and the Star Ferry crossing at dusk — ideally timed for the 8 PM Symphony of Lights

Getting around: **Taxi** Ask the operator for the current fare · **Rideshare** Uber · **Hop-on hop-off** Hop-on hop-off

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Victoria Peak & Peak Tram** — Ride the historic funicular railway up a steep incline to Hong Kong's most famous viewpoint.
- **Lantau Island — Big Buddha, Po Lin & Tai O** — Take the MTR to Tung Chung then the Ngong Ping 360 cable car for sweeping South China Sea views before reaching the 34-metre Tian Tan Buddha and...
- **Star Ferry & Symphony of Lights** — The 10-minute Star Ferry crossing between Tsim Sha Tsui and Central costs HKD 3-4 and delivers a front-row seat to one of the world's great skylines.
- **Dim Sum & Cantonese Food Tour** — Dim sum in Hong Kong is a ritual — steamer baskets of har gow, siu mai, char siu bao, and egg tarts in a packed teahouse is quintessential Hong Kong.
- **Kowloon Temples — Wong Tai Sin & Chi Lin Nunnery** — Wong Tai Sin Temple is one of Hong Kong's most vivid Taoist shrines — colourful, active, and alive with fortune-tellers (kau cim fortune sticks are a...

BEST WALKS

- **Tsim Sha Tsui Waterfront to Mong Kok Markets** 4 km · Easy · ~2 hrs — Start at Ocean Terminal and walk the TST Promenade past the Avenue of Stars and the Clock Tower for harbour views.
- **Central Mid-Levels Escalator & Hollywood Road** 2 km · Easy · ~1 hr — Ride the world's longest outdoor covered escalator system from Central Market up through SoHo — packed with independent cafes, galleries, and bars.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)			
	Mon	High	Low
Apr		77°	69°
Jun		85°	79°
Aug		86°	79°
Sep		85°	78°
Oct		81°	73°
			Rain
			15d
			26d
			26d
			20d
			11d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY	
Apr 6:03AM–6:43PM · Jun 5:39AM–7:08PM · Aug 6:00AM–6:54PM · Sep 6:10AM–6:26PM · Oct 6:19AM–5:58PM	
Hong Kong Dollar (HKD ~7.8:1 USD)	

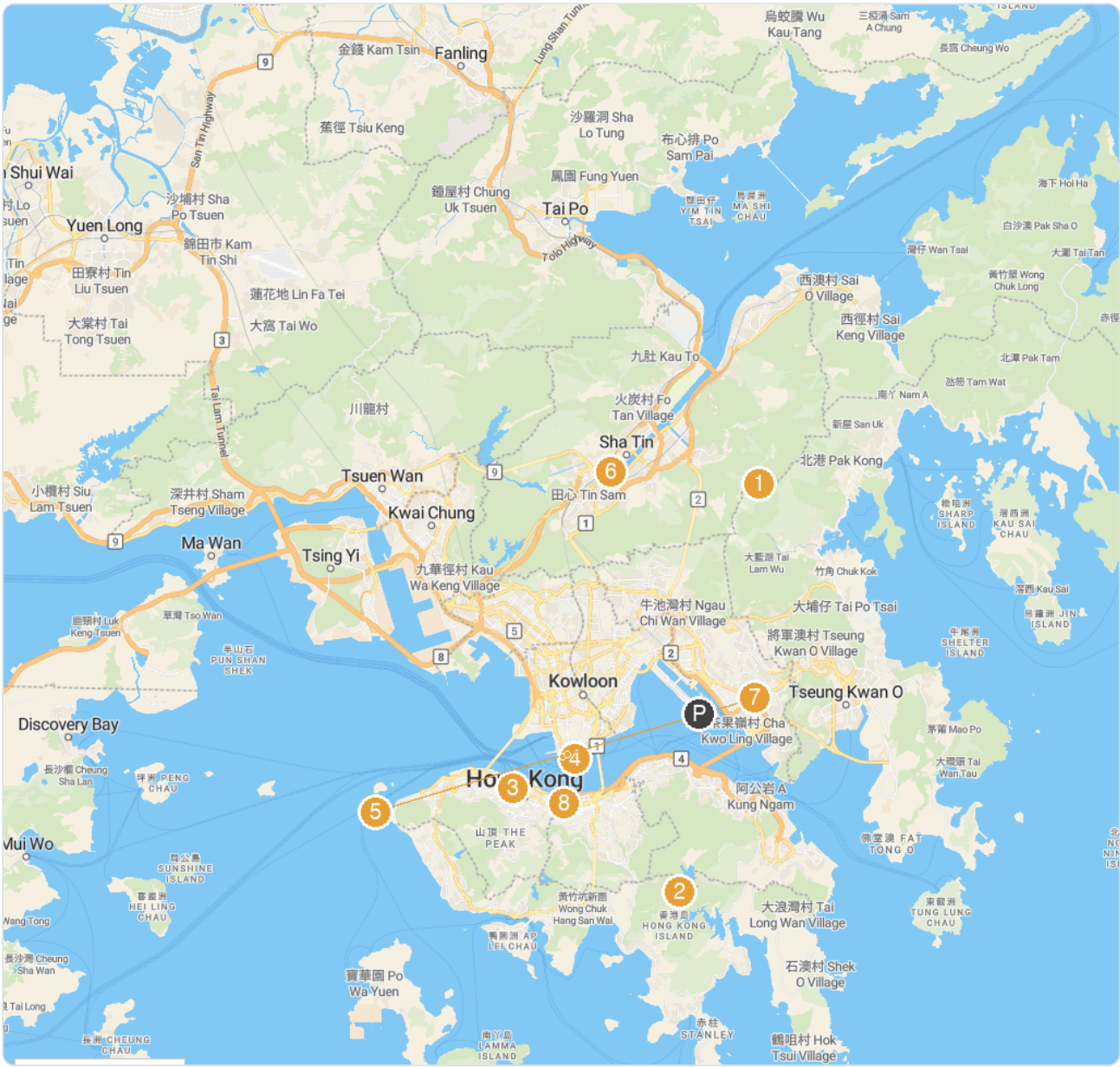
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Get an Octopus card before anything else. Buy at any MTR station ticket machine — HKD 150 (HKD 50 refundable deposit + HKD 100 credit). Works on MTR, all buses, Star Ferry, trams, and 7-Eleven. Saves time and queuing at every step.
- Kai Tak passengers: plan your transit carefully. The terminal has no direct MTR link. Bus 5R goes to Kwun Tong MTR. Taxi to Tsim Sha Tsui is HKD 60-100 and 20-30 minutes in traffic. Check if your cruise line runs a shuttle — it usually does and is the easiest option. Leave extra time for the return journey.
- Lantau takes most of a day. The Big Buddha + Ngong Ping cable car is a 6-8 hour round trip from central Kowloon — only attempt if you have a 10+ hour call or book a cruise line excursion with a guaranteed return time.
- The Symphony of Lights is free and unmissable. The nightly harbour laser and light show runs at 8:00 PM. Watch from the TST Promenade or from the Star Ferry mid-crossing. Check the official Hong Kong Tourism Board site for any maintenance pauses.
- October–December is the sweet spot. Dry, mild, and clear — ideal for outdoor walks and Peak views. April–September brings high humidity and typhoon season. A T8 typhoon signal closes the port entirely.
- Eat dim sum before 12:30 PM. The best teahouses fill fast. Tim Ho Wan has Michelin recognition at very accessible prices — multiple Kowloon branches. Go at 11 AM and avoid anything marketed as a 'tourist dim sum experience'.

Hong Kong, China — 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 Wong Ngau Shan (604m) | Hike a scenic mountain for panoramic views. | 2 Tai Tam Country Park | Explore nature, reservoirs, and hiking trails. |
| 3 The Center | See an iconic skyscraper with dazzling night lights. | 4 Avenue of Stars HK | Walk a promenade with celebrity handprints and harbor views. |
| 5 Hong Kong Cultural Centre | Enjoy world-class performing arts and concerts. | 6 Hong Kong Heritage Museum | Discover Hong Kong's rich history and culture. |
| 7 Hong Kong Space Museum | Explore astronomy and the wonders of space. | 8 Hong Kong Arts Centre | Experience contemporary art, film, and performances. |
| P Cruise port / terminal | | | |