

Itajaí, Santa Catarina, Brazil

Brazil's Sailing Capital sits at the mouth of a river flanked by skyscraper-lined beaches and a café-filled historic center steeped in Azorean and German heritage. One port day, two very different worlds.

Pier (dedicated cruise terminal)

Typical call: 8–10 hrs

Brazilian Real (BRL) — cards accepted everywhere

Portuguese — English in tourist areas

Gateway to Balneário Camboriú

MY DAY IN PORT

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

Excursion: _____ Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Pier — Port of Itajaí berths on the Itajaí-Açu River; no tendering

Best For: Beach day at Laranjeiras, Balneário Camboriú cable car, fresh seafood, European-influenced town walks

Walk to center: ~10 min to the historic center and Public Market along the riverfront

Don't Miss: Parque Unipraias cable car over the ocean and a shrimp sequência at the Mercado Público

Getting around: Taxi R\$15–25 · Rideshare Uber, 99

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Balneário Camboriú Cable Car (Parque Unipraias)** — Ride the Unipraias gondola from the south end of Balneário Camboriú over the ocean to the lush Laranjeiras Beach — one of Brazil's most dramatic...
- Praia de Laranjeiras Beach Day** — Reached via the cable car, this sheltered cove has calm emerald water, restaurant chairs on the sand, and far fewer crowds than Balneário's main beach.
- Blumenau German Heritage Town** — An hour inland, Blumenau looks like a Bavarian village transplanted to the Brazilian jungle — half-timbered facades, craft breweries, and a genuine...
- Beto Carrero World Theme Park** — Latin America's largest theme park is 40 minutes south in Penha — roller coasters, live shows, and a zoo.
- Itajaí Seafood & Public Market** — Brazil's largest fishing port puts incredible seafood on every table.

BEST WALKS

- Riverfront to Historic Center Walk** ~1 km | 15–20 min | Flat | Free — Follow Avenida Beira Rio from the pier along the manicured riverfront to the Mercado Público, then one block inland to the Igreja Matriz do Santíssimo Sacramento.
- Balneário Camboriú Boardwalk** ~2 km | 25 min one-way | Flat | Free — Take an Uber to the south end of Balneário Camboriú and walk the beachfront Avenida Atlântica — skyscrapers on one side, crashing surf on the other.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		78°	67°	14d
Jun		70°	58°	10d
Aug		70°	58°	10d
Sep		72°	62°	12d
Oct		74°	65°	18d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY

Apr 6:31AM–5:57PM · Jun 7:01AM–5:28PM · Aug 6:44AM–5:54PM · Sep 6:12AM–6:07PM · Oct 5:39AM–6:22PM

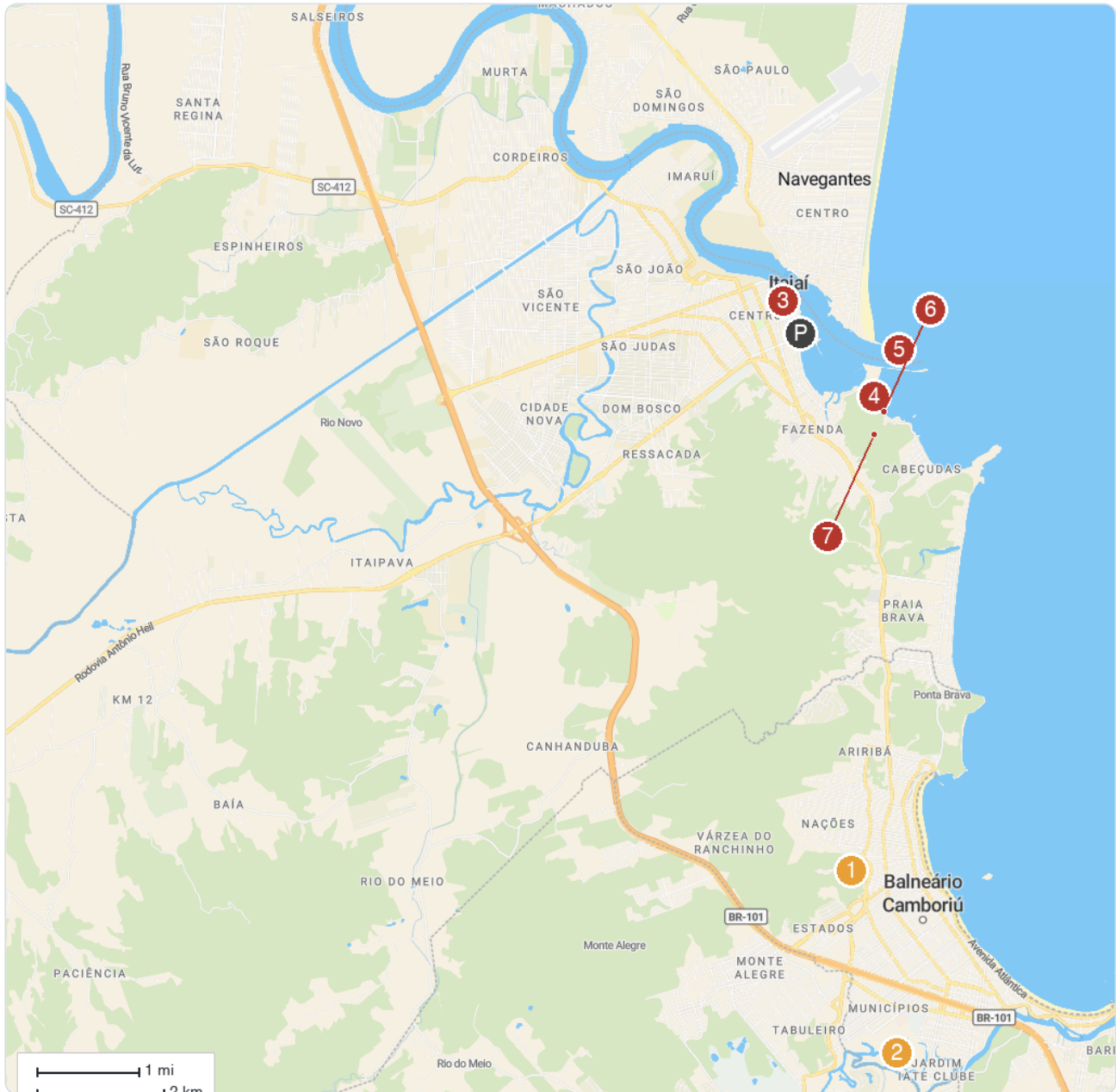
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Cards work everywhere. Brazil is nearly cashless — Visa/Mastercard accepted even at beach kiosks and Uber. Bring a small amount of Reais for tips or market stalls, but you won't need much.
- Uber over taxis. Uber is reliable, cheap, and metered — no fare negotiation needed. It's the safest, easiest way to reach Balneário Camboriú, Praia Brava, or the Molhe jetty.
- Buy Unipraias tickets online. The Parque Unipraias cable car sells out on cruise days. Buy tickets in advance at unipraias.com.br or ask your excursion desk to book ahead.
- Afternoon showers are common in summer (Dec–Mar). Plan outdoor activities in the morning and beach time early — the weather usually clears quickly.
- Order the shrimp sequência at any restaurant in the Mercado Público. It's a set multi-course shrimp feast — grilled, fried, buttered — and costs about R\$60–80 per person. One of the best meals you'll have on a Brazil itinerary.
- This is a safe port.

Itajaí, Santa Catarina, Brazil — 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 Cristo Luz A large illuminated Christ statue overlooking the city.</p> <p>3 Igreja Nova A charming historic little church with ocean views.</p> <p>5 Farol de Navegantes A historic lighthouse offering panoramic views of the coast.</p> <p>7 Parque Natural Municipal do Atalaia - PNMA A natural park with trails, viewpoints, and rich biodiversity.</p> | <p>2 Parque Ecológico Raimundo González Malta An ecological park with trails, animals, and native plants.</p> <p>4 Atalaia Beach A popular beach known for surfing and scenic views.</p> <p>6 Parrot beak A distinctive rock formation resembling a parrot's beak.</p> <p>P Cruise port / terminal</p> |
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