

# Jekyll Island, Georgia, USA

Once the exclusive winter retreat of Rockefellers and Vanderbilts, Jekyll Island is now a preserved Georgia barrier island with 10 miles of beaches, a National Historic Landmark district, and wild sea turtle nesting grounds.

Pier docked (Jekyll Harbor Marina)

Typical call: 6-8 hrs

USD

English

Bike-friendly island

## MY DAY IN PORT

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

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

## GETTING ASHORE

**Docking:** Direct pier at Jekyll Harbor Marina — no tender

**Best For:** History, beaches, nature, cycling

**Getting around:** **Taxi** \$35–\$45

**Walk to Historic District:** ~1.5 miles from marina; bikes or shuttle recommended

**Don't Miss:** Driftwood Beach and the Millionaires' Village trolley tour

## TOP THINGS TO DO

- Millionaires' Village Trolley Tour** — A 60-minute guided trolley ride through the 240-acre Jekyll Island Historic District, a National Historic Landmark.
- Driftwood Beach Walk** — Jekyll Island's most photographed spot — a hauntingly beautiful stretch of ancient, bleached oak and cedar trees standing skeletal on the sand as the...
- Georgia Sea Turtle Center** — A working sea turtle rehabilitation hospital and education center.
- Island Bike Tour** — Over 20 miles of paved multi-use trails crisscross the island, connecting the marina, Historic District, all six beach parks, and the maritime forest.
- Beaches & Beach Parks** — Jekyll has seven beach access parks along 10 miles of undeveloped coastline.

## BEST WALKS

- Marina to Historic District** 1.5 miles one-way · Flat · 30 min walk — Walk or bike east from Jekyll Harbor Marina through the maritime forest to the Jekyll Island Historic District.
- Driftwood Beach to Great Dunes Park** ~3.5 miles one-way · Flat · bike recommended (~25 min ride) — Start at Driftwood Beach (N).

## WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

**CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)**

|     | Mon | High | Low | Rain |
|-----|-----|------|-----|------|
| Apr |     | 76°  | 62° | 9d   |
| Jun |     | 86°  | 74° | 17d  |
| Aug |     | 87°  | 77° | 22d  |
| Sep |     | 84°  | 74° | 16d  |
| Oct |     | 78°  | 67° | 10d  |

**DAYLIGHT & MONEY**

Apr 6:57AM–7:54PM · Jun 6:21AM–8:30PM · Aug 6:52AM–8:07PM · Sep 7:10AM–7:30PM · Oct 7:28AM–6:53PM

USD

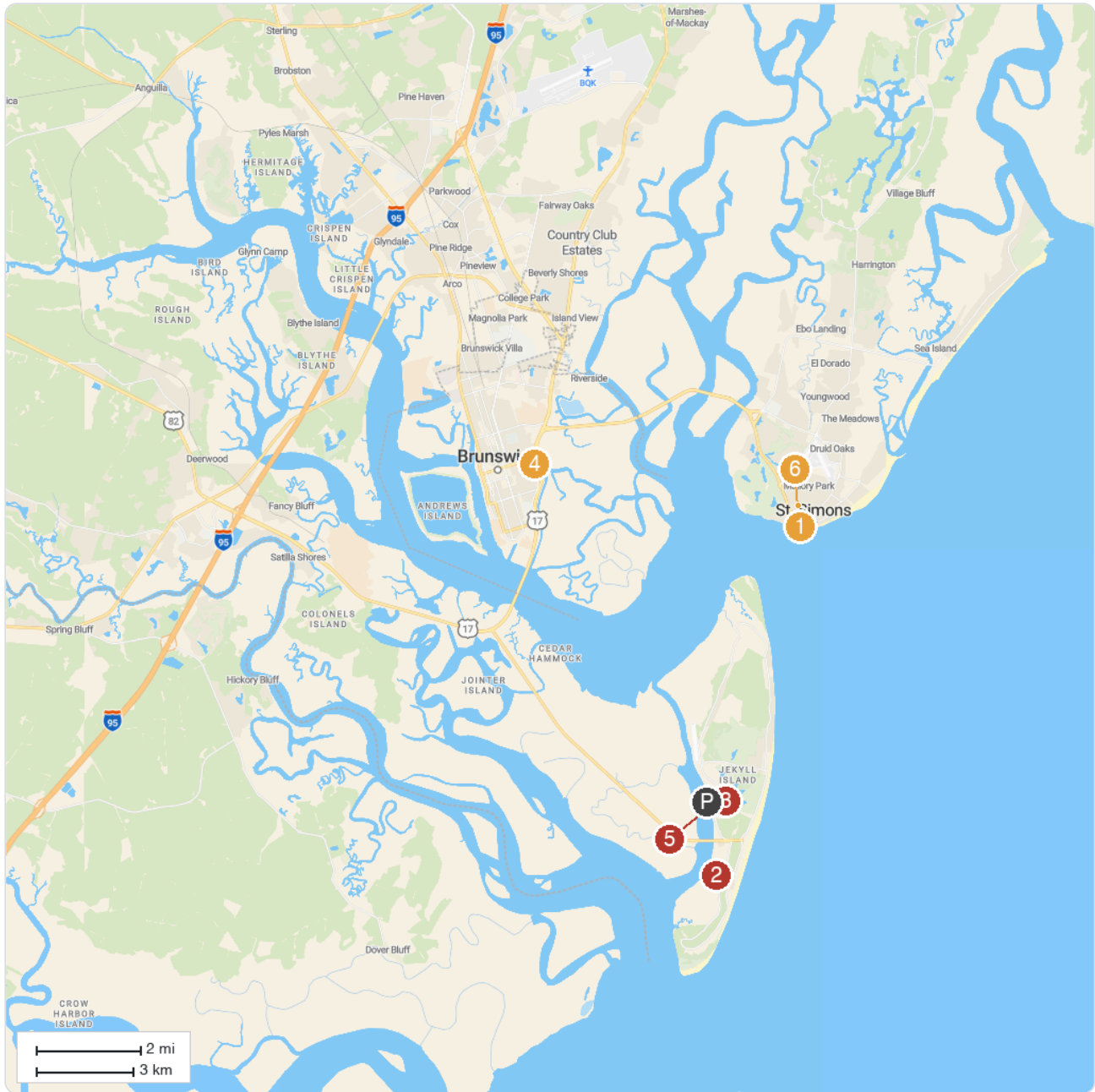
## KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Rent a bike at the marina — the whole island is flat and trail-connected. It's the best way to cover the Historic District, beaches, and Sea Turtle Center in a single shore day.
- Nesting season (May–Aug): Georgia Sea Turtle Center runs evening turtle walks. Book ahead if your ship overnight or late evening allows — it's a bucket-list experience.
- Driftwood Beach looks best in morning light — bleached trees on sand with no buildings in sight. Go early before tour buses from the mainland arrive.
- Most beaches and trails are free on foot or bike. Paid attractions: Mosaic Museum (~\$10), trolley tour (~\$30), Sea Turtle Center (~\$10), carriage tour (~\$25). Bring a mix of cash and card.
- Beach Village near the Corsair beach park has the island's casual dining cluster — seafood, pizza, and ice cream. The Jekyll Island Club Hotel dining room is a step up if you want a historic-atmosphere lunch.
- The island is small but spread out — plan your priorities before stepping off the ship. Historic District + Driftwood Beach = 4-5 hrs; add Sea Turtle Center = full day.

# Jekyll Island, Georgia, USA — 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><b>1</b> St. Simons Island Lighthouse Museum</p> <p><b>3</b> Mosaic, Jekyll Island Museum</p> <p><b>5</b> Indian Mound Cottage</p> <p><b>P</b> Cruise port / terminal</p> | <p>Historic lighthouse and museum offering island views and history.</p> <p>Jekyll Island's main museum, detailing its rich history.</p> <p>Historic Jekyll Island "cottage" (mansion) built in 1892.</p> | <p><b>2</b> Summer Waves Water Park</p> <p><b>4</b> City of Brunswick</p> <p><b>6</b> Mallory Park</p> | <p>Fun water park with slides, pools, and lazy river.</p> <p>Historic port city with charming downtown and waterfront.</p> <p>Community park with playgrounds, sports fields, and picnic areas.</p> |
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