

Kralendijk, Bonaire, Caribbean Netherlands

Bonaire is the dive capital of the Caribbean — but even snorkel novices get roped in by No Name Beach, pink flamingo-dotted salt flats, and a reef you can literally wade into from shore. The pier drops you right on the waterfront; the whole island is your playground.

Docked (no tender)

Typical call: 7-9 hrs

US Dollar (USD)

Papiamentu / Dutch / English widely spoken

World-class snorkel & dive destination

MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: Arrive: All aboard:

Excursion: Notes:

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Two piers (Northern & Southern/New Pier) directly in front of Kralendijk town centre — no tender required

Best For: Snorkeling, scuba diving, flamingo spotting, Klein Bonaire day trips

Walk to centre: Under 5 minutes to Kaya Grandi and Wilhelmina Park

Don't Miss: Klein Bonaire snorkel by water taxi, pink salt flats with flamingos at Pekelmeer

Getting around: **Taxi** \$15–\$25 to beaches · **Rideshare** not available

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Klein Bonaire Snorkel by Water Taxi** — A short (roughly 15-minute) water taxi from the waterfront reaches this uninhabited islet with No Name Beach and pristine coral reefs inside the...
- Salt Flats & Pekelmeer Flamingo Sanctuary** — Drive to the island's south to see the iconic pink salt pyramids and the shallow Pekelmeer lagoon, a major nesting site for hundreds of Caribbean...
- Scuba Diving the Bonaire Marine Park** — Bonaire pioneered Caribbean marine conservation — the entire coastline is a protected park with shore-accessible dive sites.
- Mangrove Kayak at Lac Bay** — Paddle through Bonaire's pristine mangrove forest at Lac Bay, a UNESCO Ramsar wetland site on the eastern coast.
- Tuk-Tuk Island Sightseeing Tour** — Hop aboard an eco-friendly tuk-tuk for a guided circuit of Kralendijk, Fort Oranje, the salt flats, slave huts, flamingo spots, and the Donkey...

BEST WALKS

- Kralendijk Waterfront & Town Stroll** 1.5 km · Flat · 30–45 min — From the pier, follow the Sea Promenade north past Wilhelmina Park to Fort Oranje, then loop back along Kaya Grandi — Bonaire's main shopping street — for cafes, dive...
- Southern Coastal Road to Salt Flats** ~25 km round-trip · Flat · Best by bicycle or scooter — Rent a bicycle or scooter and follow the south coastal road past Lac Bay viewpoints, the 19th-century slave huts (SNBL historic site), and the pink salt pyramids to...

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		83°	78°	8d
Jun		84°	80°	12d
Aug		86°	80°	13d
Sep		87°	81°	10d
Oct		85°	81°	18d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY

Apr 6:21AM–6:45PM · Jun 6:08AM–6:58PM · Aug 6:21AM–6:52PM · Sep 6:22AM–6:33PM · Oct 6:23AM–6:14PM

US Dollar (USD)

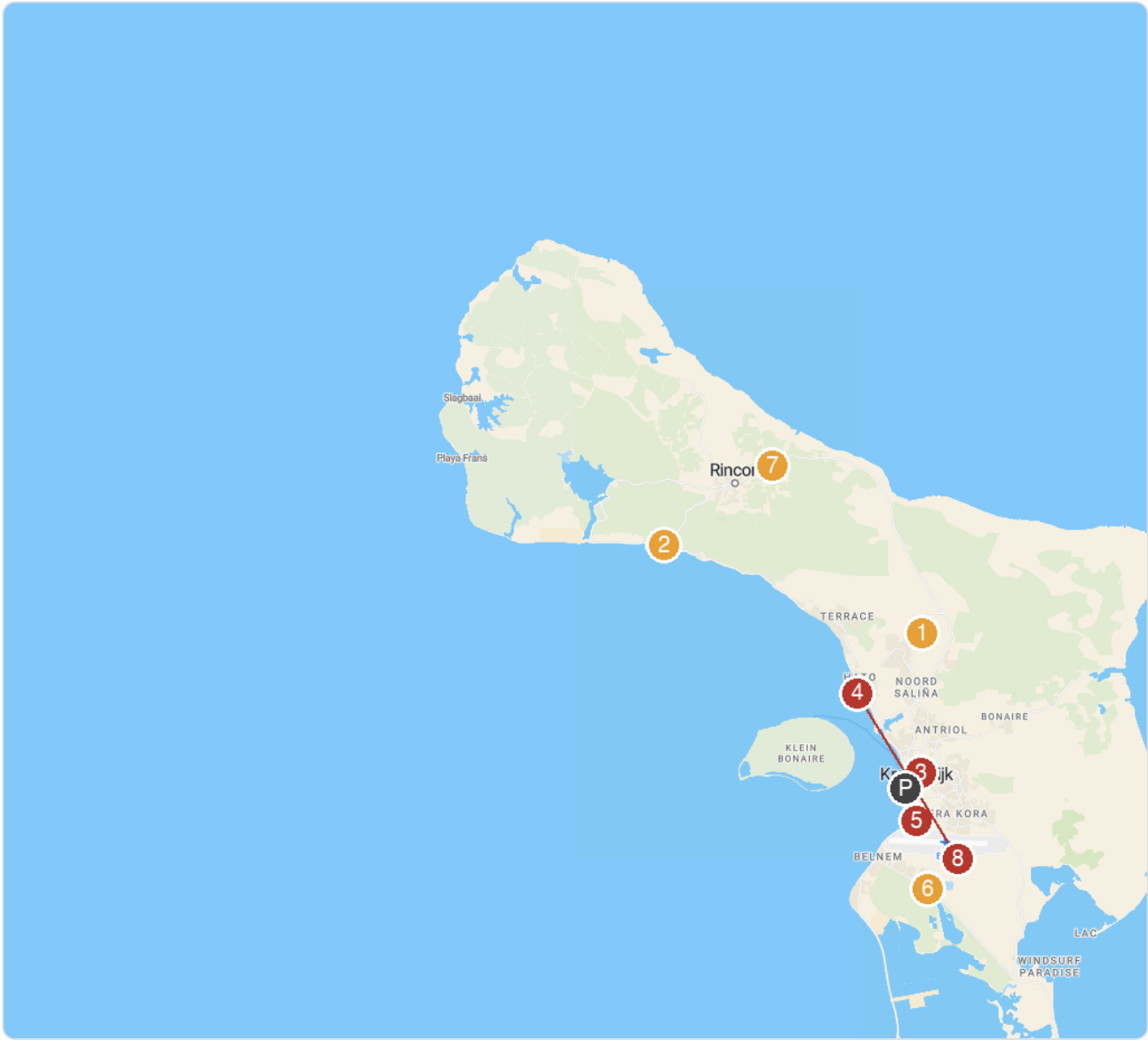
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Gear up before you book anything — snorkel gear rental and guided dive shops are clustered within a 2-minute walk of both piers. Bonaire's reefs are genuinely world-class; even a basic shore snorkel from Te Amo Beach is exceptional.
- US Dollars are the official currency — no exchange needed for American passengers. Cards are accepted widely in town; carry some cash for taxis and market stalls.
- Taxis use fixed government rates — confirm the fare before you get in. For independent exploring, renting a car or scooter near the port opens up the whole island without overpaying for guided tours.
- Flamingos at Pekelmeer are roadside-visible — you don't need a paid tour to see them. Drive or cycle the southern road and stop at the viewing area outside the salt works perimeter.
- Klein Bonaire water taxis run from Karel's Beach Bar near the waterfront — walk there independently and catch a shared boat for around \$10–15 USD return, or book a guided snorkel excursion that includes transport and gear.
- Bonaire is outside the hurricane belt and gets very little rain — the dry, sunny weather is reliable year-round.

Kralendijk, Bonaire, Caribbean Netherlands — 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 Cruz Seru Largu | Large cross monument on a hill with panoramic island views. | 2 landhuis Karpata | Historic plantation house ruins offering scenic views of the north coast. |
| 3 Bonaire Museum of Natural History | Museum showcasing Bonaire's diverse flora, fauna, and geological history. | 4 Terramar Museum | Archaeological museum detailing Bonaire's history from ancient times. |
| 5 Coral Casino Bonaire | Casino offering slot machines, table games, and entertainment. | 6 Donkey Sanctuary Bonaire | Rescue sanctuary providing care for hundreds of rescued donkeys. |
| 7 Cultural Park Mangazina di Rei | Cultural park preserving Bonairean heritage, history, and traditional crafts. | 8 Tourism Corporation Bonaire | Official tourism board providing island information and visitor services. |
| P Cruise port / terminal | | | |