

La Crosse, Wisconsin, USA

Perched where Wisconsin, Minnesota, and Iowa meet, La Crosse greets river cruisers with towering bluffs, a lively historic downtown, and genuine Midwest hospitality right off the dock.

 Docked (Riverside Park pier)  Typical call: 6-8 hrs  US Dollar  English

MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Docked at Riverside Park, central downtown

Walk to Center: 5 min on foot to Main Street shops

Best For: Bluff views, craft beer, river history

Don't Miss: Grandad Bluff overlook & cheese curds

 Getting around:  Taxi  \$6-\$18 ·  Rideshare  Uber, Lyft

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Grandad Bluff Overlook** — At 600 feet above the city, Grandad Bluff delivers sweeping views of the Mississippi River valley stretching into three states.
- **Riverside Park & River Heritage** — The park at the dock is home to the beautiful paddlewheel boat La Crosse Queen and interpretive displays on Mississippi River history.
- **Historic Downtown Walk** — Five minutes from the dock, La Crosse's downtown blends Victorian storefronts with craft breweries, local boutiques, murals, and the Saint Joseph the...
- **Blufflands Trail Hike** — For the active crowd, the City of La Crosse maintains bluff-side trails accessible from Grandad Bluff Park with moderate hiking through Mississippi...
- **Wisconsin Food & Drink Trail** — La Crosse is the perfect place to try Wisconsin staples: deep-fried cheese curds at a downtown pub, a Spotted Cow farmhouse ale (only sold in...

BEST WALKS

- **Riverside Park to Downtown** 0.5 miles · 10 min · Flat · Easy — Walk east from the dock along the Riverside Park path to the heart of downtown.
- **Downtown Heritage Loop** 1.5 miles · 30 min · Flat · Easy — Explore the compact historic downtown: walk along 3rd and 4th Streets past Victorian architecture, visit Artists' Alley murals, and circle back via the riverfront.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)				 DAYLIGHT &  MONEY	
Mon	High	Low	Rain	Apr 6:21AM–7:48PM · Jun 5:22AM–8:48PM · Aug 6:09AM–8:08PM · Sep 6:44AM–7:14PM · Oct 7:20AM–6:20PM	
Apr	55°	36°	12d		
Jun	79°	62°	11d		
Aug	79°	64°	10d		
Sep	73°	58°	10d		
Oct	58°	44°	10d		

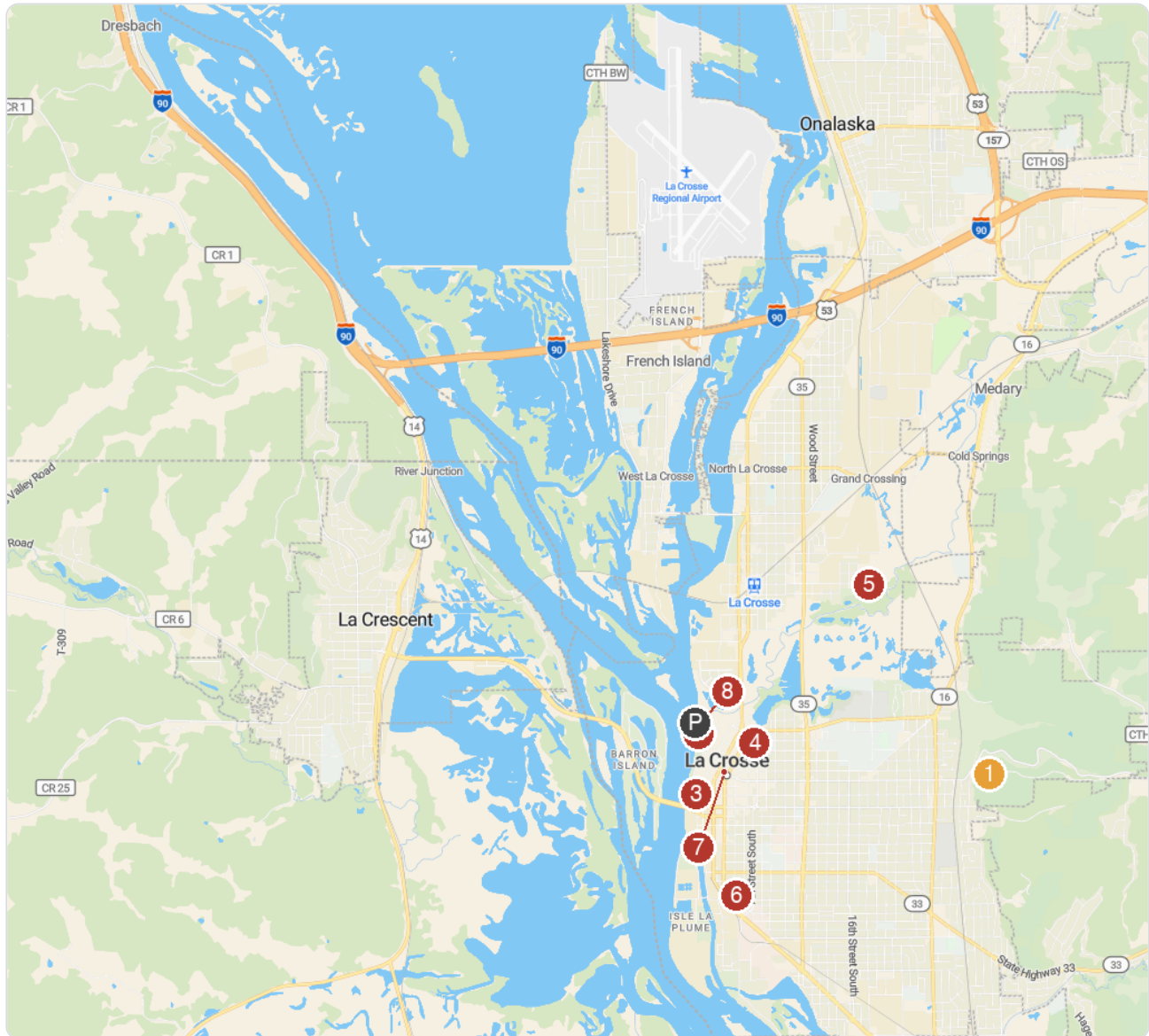
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Easy docking: Ships tie up directly at Riverside Park — no tender boats, no long bus rides. Walk off and you're already in the city.
- Eat Wisconsin: Deep-fried cheese curds and a Spotted Cow ale (only sold in-state) are non-negotiable. Almost every downtown pub serves them.
- Grandad Bluff needs wheels: It's 3 miles from the dock — too far to walk comfortably. Use a rideshare or book a ship tour; the drive up Bliss Road is quick and the views are worth it.
- Midwest weather: Summer days are warm and humid, with afternoon thunderstorms possible. Bring a light layer for bluff breezes.
- Short calls are plenty: The compact downtown and bluff visit fit neatly into a 6-8 hour call. Most passengers can do both without rushing.
- Local brews: La Crosse has a strong craft brewery scene. Pearl Street Brewery, Turtle Stack Brewery, and La Crosse Distilling Co. all welcome walk-in guests for tastings.

La Crosse, Wisconsin, 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>1 Grandad Bluff Park</p> <p>3 Pump House Regional Arts Center</p> <p>5 Red Cloud Park</p> <p>7 La Crosse Escape Room</p> <p>P Cruise port / terminal</p> | <p>Scenic park atop a bluff with stunning views of the city.</p> <p>Historic pump house now an arts center with galleries and performances.</p> <p>Neighborhood park with playgrounds, sports fields, and green space.</p> <p>Interactive game where teams solve puzzles to escape themed rooms.</p> | <p>2 Riverside Park</p> <p>4 Historic Hixon House Museum</p> <p>6 Poage Park</p> <p>8 Riverside International Friendship Gardens</p> | <p>Waterfront park offering river views, boat tours, and city events.</p> <p>Victorian mansion museum showcasing 19th-century La Crosse family life.</p> <p>Community park featuring playgrounds, picnic areas, and walking paths.</p> <p>Beautiful themed gardens celebrating international friendships along the river.</p> |
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