

Livingston, Izabal, Guatemala

A town with no roads in or out, Livingston is Guatemala's Garifuna heartland — part Caribbean, part Mayan, entirely its own. Tender in to coconut bread, Punta drumbeats, and the dramatic Río Dulce canyon.

Tender port

Typical call: 6-8 hrs

USD & Guatemalan Quetzal (GTQ)

Spanish & Garifuna

🚢 MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____

Arrive: _____

All aboard: _____

Excursion: _____

Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Tender only — ships anchor offshore; 5–15 min ride to the municipal pier

Best For: Garifuna culture, Río Dulce canyon boat tour, Siete Altares waterfalls

Walk to center: Immediate — main street (Calle Principal) begins at the pier

Don't Miss: Tapado soup and fresh pan de coco (coconut bread) from street vendors

🚗 Getting around: 🚗 **Taxi** ✅ ~\$2–3 USD (Q20) · 📱 **Rideshare** ❌ not available

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Río Dulce Canyon Boat Tour** — Speed through a 300-foot limestone gorge draped in tropical jungle, passing hot springs, water lilies, and indigenous...
 - **Siete Altares Waterfalls** — Seven freshwater cascades and natural pools hidden in the rainforest, about 3 miles north of town.
 - **Garifuna Town Walk & Culture** — Explore Calle Principal, visit the Garifuna cultural displays, watch drumming
- **Playa Blanca Boat Trip** — A private white-sand beach with coconut palms accessible only by a 25–30 minute boat ride from Livingston.
 - **Tapado & Local Cuisine** — Livingston's signature dish is Tapado — a rich coconut-milk seafood soup with crab, fish, and shrimp.

BEST WALKS

- **Calle Principal Town Walk** 0.6 mi · 15 min · Easy — Walk up the main street from the municipal pier past souvenir stalls, local cafes, and brightly painted houses to the town beach...

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr	86°	76°	16d
Jun	85°	77°	28d
Aug	85°	77°	29d
Sep	85°	77°	29d
Oct	84°	76°	26d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY

Apr 5:40AM–6:10PM · Jun 5:23AM–6:27PM · Aug 5:40AM–6:19PM · Sep 5:43AM–5:56PM · Oct 5:47AM–5:34PM

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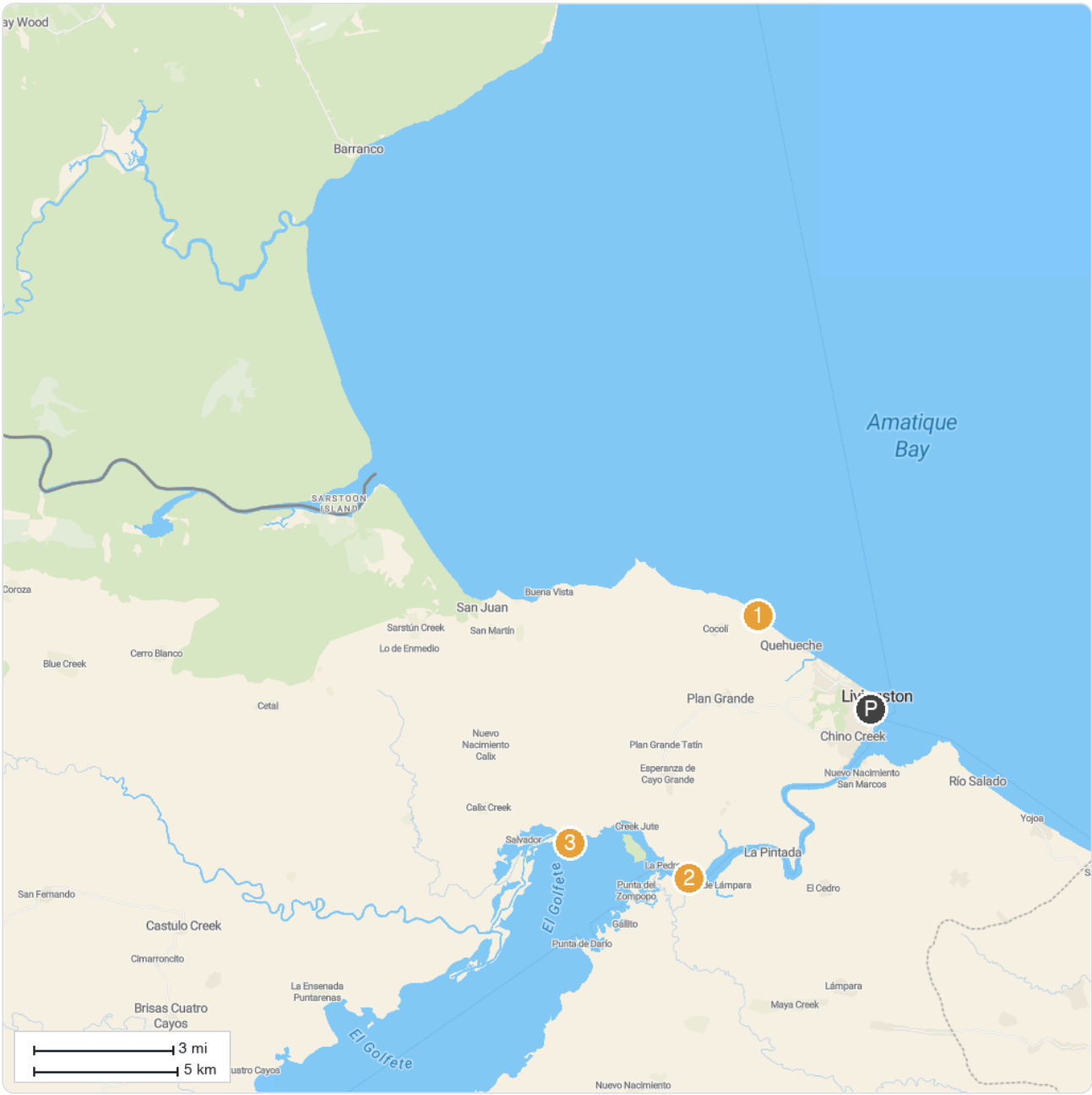
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Check which port you dock at. Large cruise lines often call at Santo Tomás de Castilla — Livingston is then a separate excursion by water taxi, not a tender from your ship.
- Build in a buffer for your return. Weather can delay tenders; leave at least 60–90 minutes before all-aboard time if you're exploring outside town.

Livingston, Izabal, Guatemala — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



- 1

Siete Altares

Seven natural pools and waterfalls cascade into the Caribbean.
- 2

Centro Ecoturístico Agua Caliente

Relax in natural hot springs amidst lush jungle.
- 3

Biotopo Protegido Chocón Machacas

Explore a protected lagoon system, home to manatees and wildlife.
- P

Cruise port / terminal