

Martigues, Provence, France

Painted fishermen's houses mirrored in still canals, baroque church facades, and a sun-drenched harbor — Martigues earns its nickname as the Venice of Provence. It's a compact, walkable town where river-cruise passengers step straight into an authentic Provençal rhythm.

 Pier (river/small cruise vessels)

 Typical call: 6–8 hrs

 Euro (€)

 French

🗓️ MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____

Arrive: _____

All aboard: _____

Excursion: _____

Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Pier near Louis Sammut Avenue, behind Town Hall (river & small cruise ships)

Best For: Canal strolls, Provençal markets, Côte Bleue beaches

Walk to Center: Pier is steps from the historic l'Ile district — 2–5 min on foot

Don't Miss: Miroir aux Oiseaux quayside & Église de la Madeleine baroque facade

🚗 Getting around:  **Taxi**  €8–15 ·  **Rideshare**  Uber ·  **Hop-on hop-off**  Hop-on hop-off

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Canal Quarter Walking Tour** — Wander all three historic districts — l'Ile, Jonquières, and Ferrières.
 - **Côte Bleue Boat Trip** — Cruise the dramatic limestone cliffs and hidden calanques of the Côte Bleue, stopping at the fishing villages of Carro...
 - **Fort de Bouc Guided Tour** — Explore the medieval fortification that has served as a state prison, lighthouse, and
- military post — perched at the...

 - **Kayaking the Canals** — Paddle the waterways of Martigues at eye level with the painted facades — tours depart from the town center and suit...
 - **Provençal Market & Wine Tasting** — Browse the Wednesday, Saturday, or Sunday market for local produce, then visit the Saint-Julien-les-Martigues...

BEST WALKS

- **Miroir aux Oiseaux & l'Ile Circuit** 1.5 km · 30–45 min · Flat — The essential Martigues stroll.
- **Three Districts Loop** 3 km · 1 hr · Flat — Link all three historic quarters: start in l'Ile, cross to Ferrières to see the colorful harbor, then continue to Jonquières and the...

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 **CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)**

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		65°	51°	8d
Jun		81°	66°	5d
Aug		85°	69°	4d
Sep		78°	64°	6d
Oct		70°	57°	8d

 **DAYLIGHT &  MONEY**

Apr 6:57AM–8:22PM · Jun 5:58AM–9:21PM · Aug 6:45AM–8:42PM · Sep 7:19AM–7:49PM · Oct 7:54AM–6:56PM

 Euro (€)

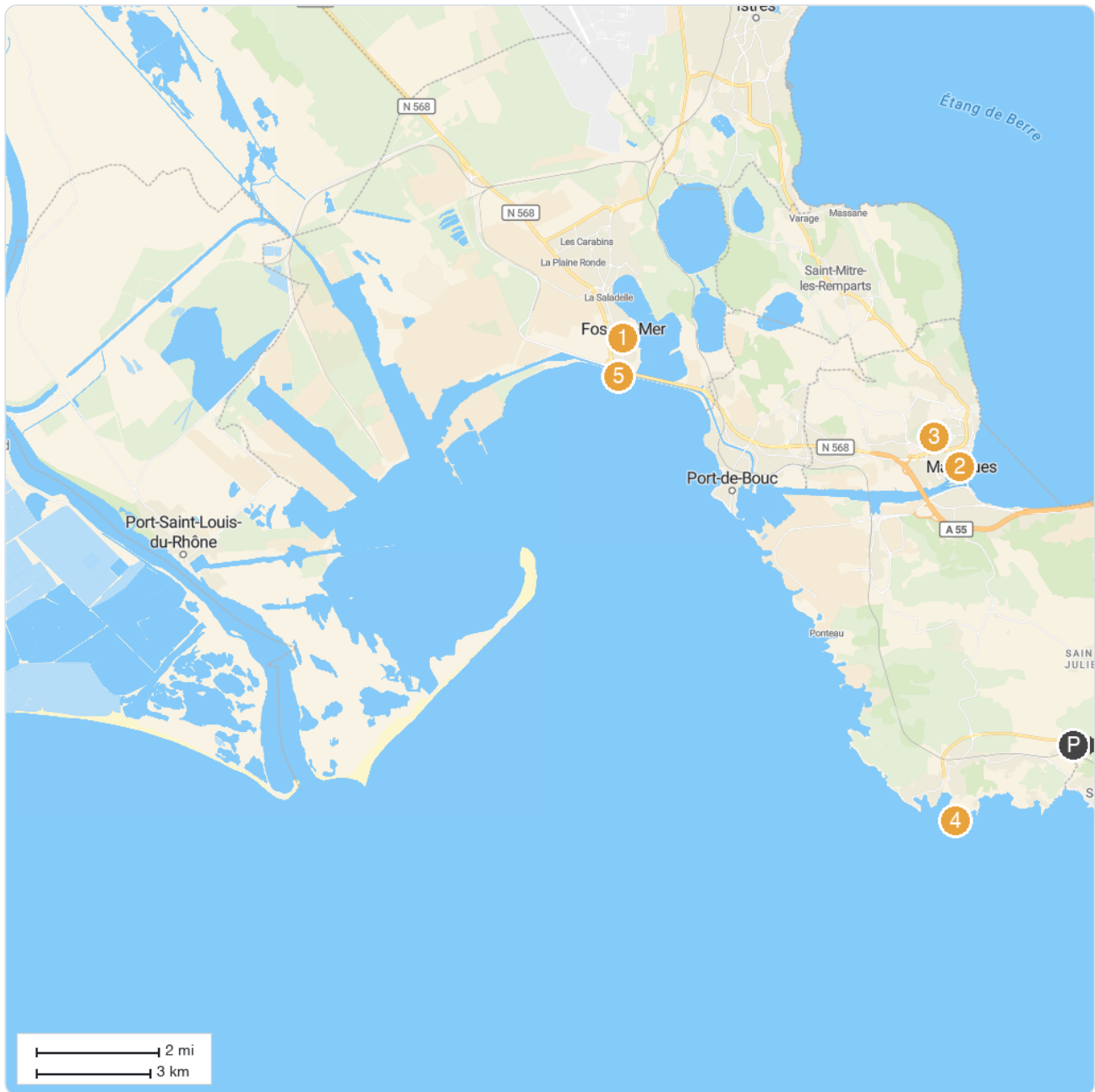
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Golden hour at Miroir aux Oiseaux: The Canal Saint-Sébastien quay is most photogenic in morning or late afternoon light — arrive early before tour groups.
- Market days are Wed, Sat, and Sun. If your call falls on one of these, the central market is worth a visit for local cheese, olives,

Martigues, Provence, France — 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 Château de l'Hauture | Historic château offering panoramic views of Martigues. | 2 musée Ziem | Art museum dedicated to painter Félix Ziem. |
| 3 Chapelle catholique Notre-Dame de Miséricorde, dite Notre-Dame des Marins | Historic chapel dedicated to sailors, overlooking the canal. | 4 Lighthouse Cap Crown | Iconic lighthouse marking the entrance to the Gulf of Fos. |
| 5 Maison de la Mer et du Sport | Center for sea activities and water sports. | P Cruise port / terminal | |