

Manama, Bahrain

Where 5,000 years of Dilmun civilization meets a gleaming Gulf capital. Bahrain punches well above its size — ancient forts, UNESCO pearl heritage, and one of the Gulf's best museums, all reachable in a single shore day.

 Docked (pier)  Typical call: 8-10 hrs  Bahraini Dinar (BHD) / USD widely accepted  Arabic (English spoken everywhere)

🏠 MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Pier — Khalifa Bin Salman Port, Hidd (15–20 min to city center)

Walk to center: Not walkable; shuttle or taxi/Uber required

Best For: History, culture, souq shopping, Arabic cuisine

Don't Miss: Bahrain National Museum + Qal'at al-Bahrain (UNESCO fort)

 Getting around:  **Taxi**  BHD 4–10 (~USD 11–26) ·  **Rideshare**  Uber, Careem, Bolt

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Qal'at al-Bahrain (Bahrain Fort)** — A UNESCO World Heritage Site built atop 4,000 years of continuous settlement.
- **UNESCO Pearling Path — Muharraq** — Bahrain was once the pearl capital of the world.
- **Bab Al Bahrain & Manama Souq** — The historic gateway to Manama opens onto a labyrinth of gold jewellers, spice stalls, perfume merchants, and fabric...
- **Bahrain National Museum** — One of the finest museums in the Gulf — covering 6,000 years from Dilmun artifacts to traditional pearl diving equipment.
- **Tree of Life (Shajarat al-Hayat)** — A 400-year-old mesquite tree standing alone in Bahrain's barren desert with no obvious water source — a genuine mystery...

BEST WALKS

- **Manama Waterfront & Souq Loop** 2–3 km • 1–1.5 hrs • Easy — From Bab Al Bahrain, walk through the spice and gold souq lanes, then south along the corniche to the Bahrain National Museum.
- **Muharraq Pearling Path** 2.5 km • 1.5 hrs • Easy — The UNESCO Pearling Path in Muharraq is a self-guided trail through restored pearl merchants' houses, ending at a historic pearling...

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 **CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)**

Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr	85°	72°	1d
Jun	98°	86°	0d
Aug	102°	89°	0d
Sep	99°	85°	0d
Oct	92°	80°	0d

 **DAYLIGHT &  MONEY**

Apr 5:14AM–6:01PM · Jun 4:45AM–6:31PM · Aug 5:10AM–6:13PM · Sep 5:23AM–5:41PM · Oct 5:36AM–5:09PM

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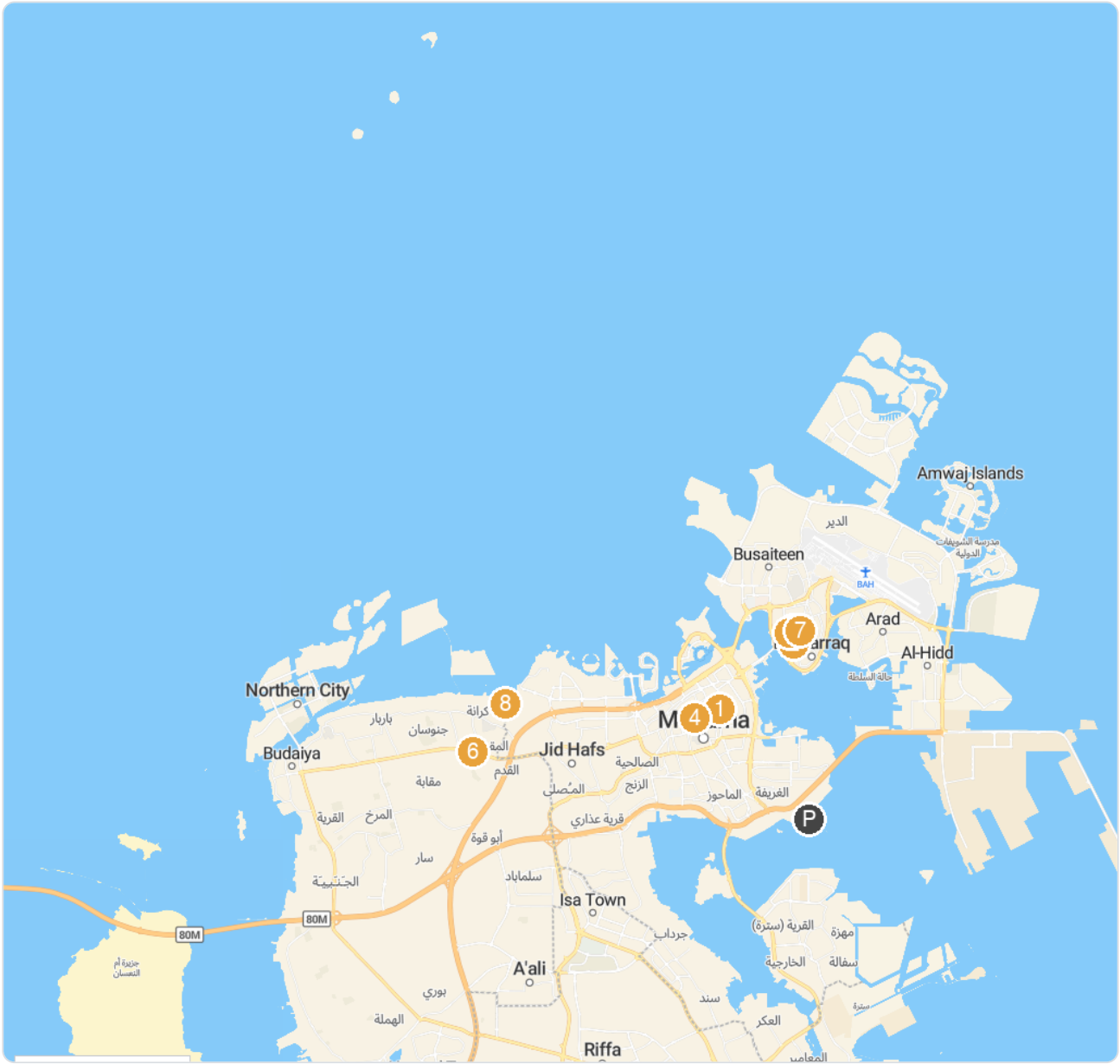
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Use Uber or Careem — metered taxis are scarce; unmetered ones at the pier will quote inflated tourist prices. Both apps work across Bahrain and cost about 3–4 BHD to the city.
- Al Fateh Grand Mosque offers free guided tours (closed Friday mornings). Women receive an abaya at the entrance — a genuinely impressive visit and it's free.

Manama, Bahrain — 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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Ibrahim Al Arrayed House

Poet Ibrahim Al Arrayed's historic house.
- 2

Mohammed Bin Faris House for vocal Music

Historic house celebrating Bahraini vocal music heritage.
- 3

Abdullah Al Zayed House for Bahraini Press Heritage

Historic house preserving Bahraini press heritage.
- 4

Khalaf House

Restored historic merchant's house on the Pearling Path.
- 5

Vertical Garden

Unique multi-story garden with diverse plant life.
- 6

The Great Escape Challenge

Interactive escape room game for puzzle solving fun.
- 7

Beit Sheikh Isa Bin Ali Al Khalifa (House)

Historic former residence of Sheikh Isa Bin Ali Al Khalifa.
- 8

Bahrain Fort

Ancient fort, a UNESCO World Heritage archaeological site.
- P

Cruise port / terminal