

Mozambique Island, Nampula, Mozambique

A 3 km sliver of coral and history off Mozambique's northern coast, Ilha de Moçambique packs five centuries of Portuguese, Arab, and African heritage into a single walkable island — including the oldest European building in the Southern Hemisphere.

 Tender (anchor offshore)

 Typical call: 6-8 hrs

 Mozambican Metical (USD/EUR accepted)

 Portuguese

 UNESCO World Heritage Site

MY DAY IN PORT

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

Excursion: _____ Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Tender — ships anchor in the bay; boats bring you to the Stone Town pier

Best For: History buffs, architecture lovers, off-the-beaten-path culture

Walk to center: 2 min from tender pier to Stone Town; full island end-to-end ~40 min

Don't Miss: Fort of São Sebastião & the 1522 Chapel of Nossa Senhora de Baluarte

 Getting around:  Taxi  \$3–\$8

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Fort of São Sebastião & Chapel** — The oldest complete fort in sub-Saharan Africa (begun 1558) anchors the island's northern tip.
- Palace of St. Paul & Museum of Sacred Art** — The Palácio de São Paulo — once a Jesuit college, later the Governor's Palace — holds one of the finest collections of...
- Dhow Sail to Goa Island** — Traditional wooden dhows ferry you to uninhabited Ilha de Goa, about 5 km east — pristine white sand, turquoise water...
- Stone Town Architecture Walk** — Wander the grid of Stone Town streets: pastel colonial facades, ornate wooden doors, the Green Mosque, and the Hindu...
- Macuti Town & Local Market** — The southern half of the island is a dense, vibrant neighborhood of traditional macuti (reed and thatch) houses and...

BEST WALKS

- Stone Town Heritage Loop** 1 km · 20–30 min · Easy — From the tender pier, walk north through Stone Town to the Fort of São Sebastião at the island's tip, then loop back past the Palace...
- End-to-End Island Walk** 3 km one-way · 40–45 min · Easy — Walk the full length of the island from the northern fort through Stone Town, past the 3.4 km bridge viewpoint, and into the lively...

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 **CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)**

Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr	82°	69°	14d
Jun	79°	62°	3d
Aug	82°	62°	2d
Sep	86°	64°	2d
Oct	90°	67°	3d

 **DAYLIGHT &  MONEY**

Apr 5:30AM–5:15PM · Jun 5:46AM–5:00PM · Aug 5:39AM–5:15PM · Sep 5:18AM–5:18PM · Oct 4:56AM–5:21PM

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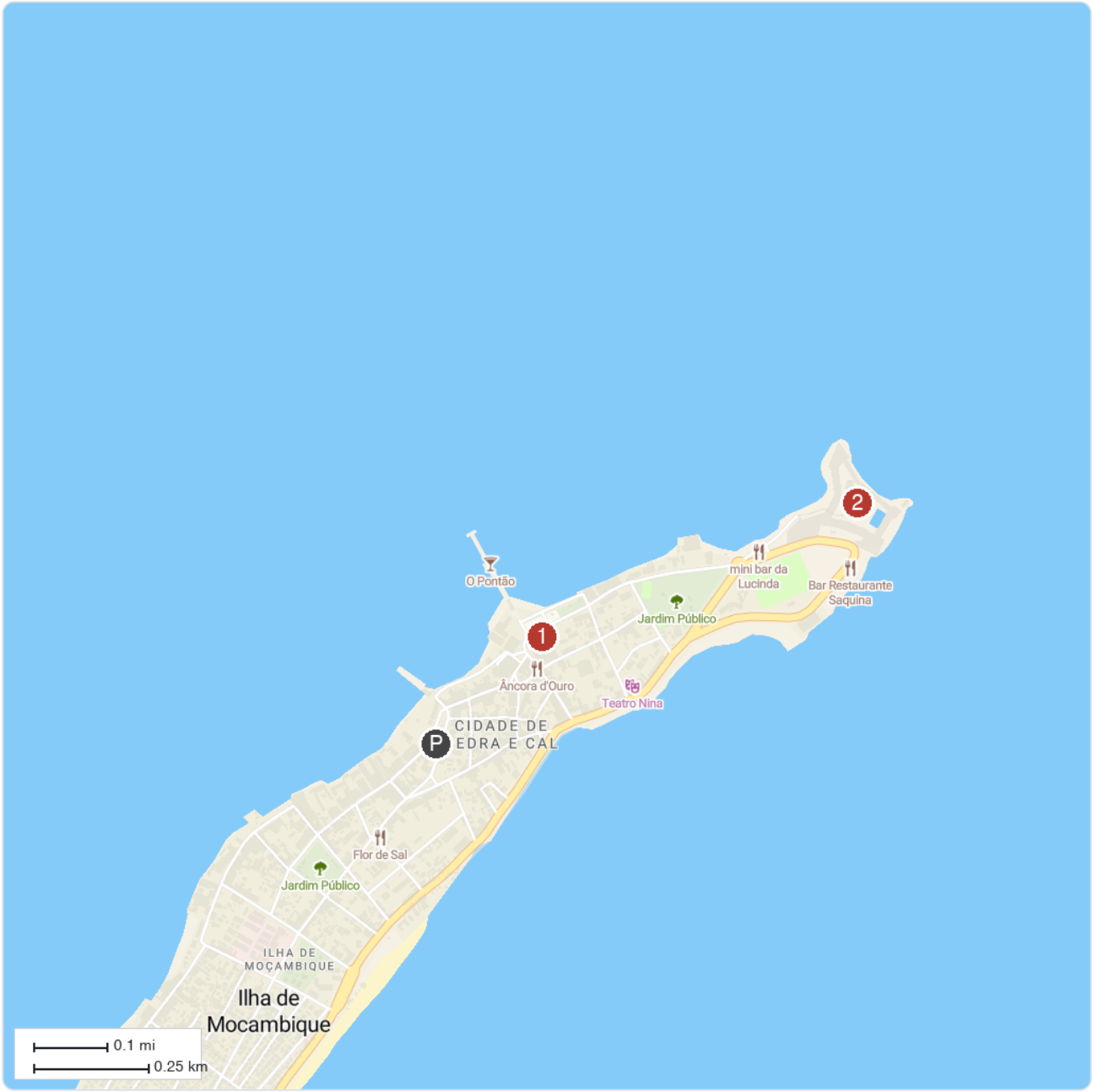
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Bring small USD or EUR bills. The Mozambican Metical (MZN) is the local currency. Some vendors accept USD but at poor rates

Mozambique Island, Nampula, Mozambique — 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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Ilha De Mocambique museum

Explore island history and culture in the old Governor's Palace.
- 2

Saint Sebastian Fort

Africa's oldest complete Portuguese fort.
- P

Cruise port / terminal