

Nassau, New Providence, Bahamas

One of the world's busiest cruise ports drops you steps from a pastel colonial capital — Atlantis gleams across the harbor on Paradise Island, pristine Cable Beach stretches west, and the Fish Fry serves the best conch you'll eat anywhere.

Docked — Prince George Wharf

Typical call: 7-10 hrs

USD accepted everywhere (BSD = USD)

English

MY DAY IN PORT

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

Excursion: _____ Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Prince George Wharf — walk off the ship into downtown Nassau in under 2 minutes

Best For: Atlantis Resort day passes, Blue Lagoon Island, colonial history, duty-free shopping, Bahamian conch cuisine

Walk to center: Straw Market: immediate; Parliament Square: 5-7 min; Queen's Staircase: 15-20 min

Don't Miss: Arawak Cay (the Fish Fry) — cracked conch and conch salad served from colorful shacks a short jitney ride west of the pier

Getting around: **Taxi** \$6 for 2 passengers to city center; \$3/extra passenger · **Rideshare** not available

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Atlantis Aquaventure Day Pass** — The mega-resort on Paradise Island opens its 141-acre Aquaventure water park, the Dig marine habitat aquarium, and multiple beaches to day-pass...
- Blue Lagoon Island Beach Day** — A 30-minute catamaran from the pier deposits you on a gorgeous private island with calm turquoise water, white sand, beach chairs, and optional...
- Pearl Island Beach Resort Day Pass** — A smaller, less-crowded private island alternative with pristine snorkeling just off the beach, a historic lighthouse, and day passes that often...
- Snorkeling at the Sea Gardens Reef** — Boat trips to Nassau's shallow reef gardens take 20 minutes and put you above healthy coral heads, sergeant majors, parrotfish, and the occasional...
- Colonial Nassau Walking Tour** — Parliament Square's pastel Georgian government buildings, the Pirates of Nassau Museum (an interactive deep-dive into Nassau's golden age of piracy)...

BEST WALKS

- Downtown Nassau Heritage Loop** 2-3 hrs · ~3.5 km · Moderate · Mostly flat with some uphill near the fort — Nassau's best colonial sights in a single loop from the pier.
- Bay Street Waterfront & Junkanoo Beach Stroll** 1.5 hrs · ~2.5 km · Easy · Flat waterfront walk — A relaxed walk west from the pier along Nassau's main commercial strip.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		81°	74°	12d
Jun		85°	79°	18d
Aug		87°	81°	18d
Sep		86°	80°	18d
Oct		83°	78°	18d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY

Apr 6:46AM–7:31PM · Jun 6:19AM–8:00PM · Aug 6:43AM–7:43PM · Sep 6:55AM–7:12PM · Oct 7:07AM–6:41PM

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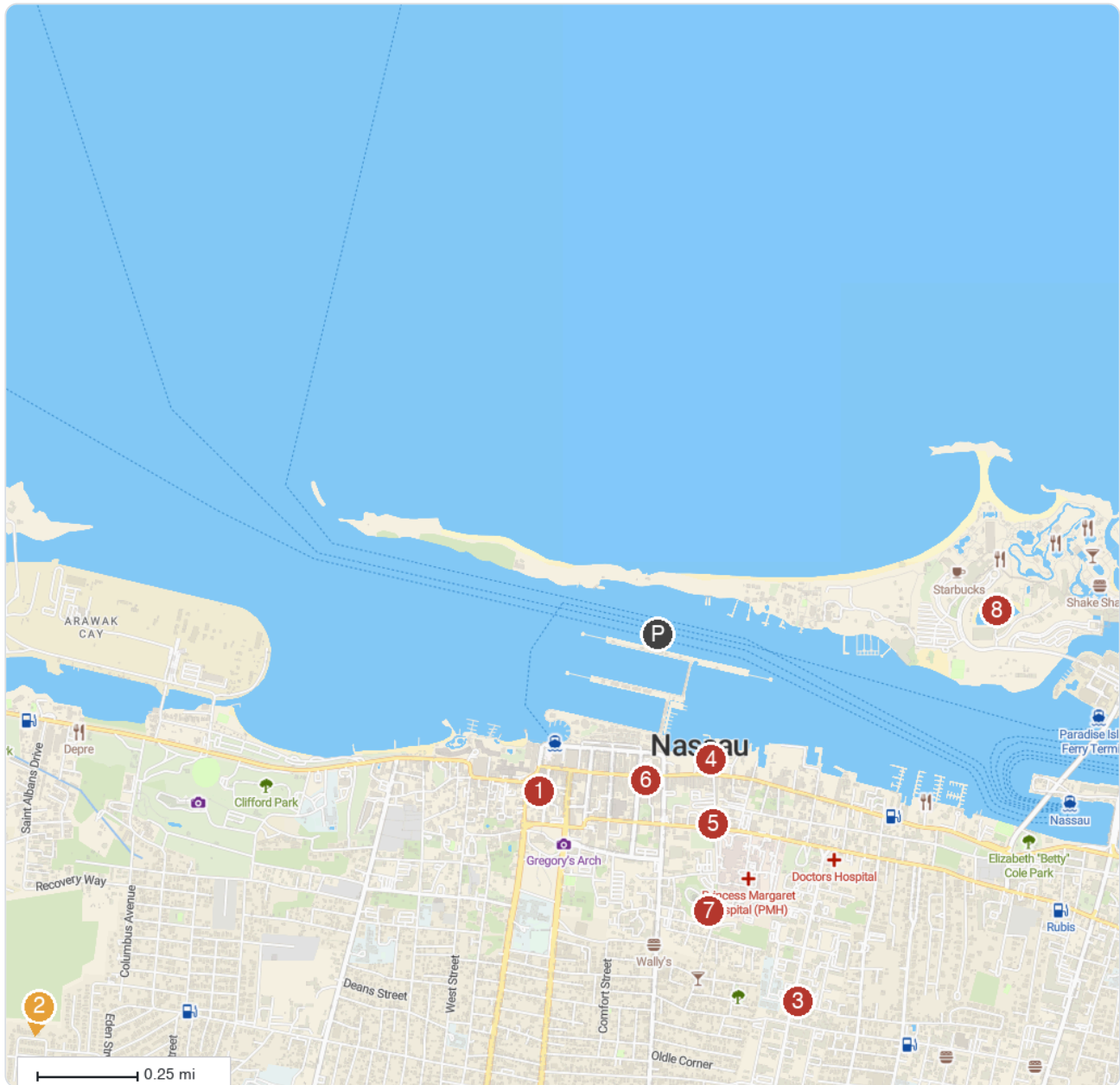
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- USD everywhere, no exchange needed. The Bahamian dollar is pegged 1:1 to the USD. US dollars are accepted at every shop, restaurant, and taxi. Bring small bills for jitneys (\$1.25), tips, and Straw Market vendors. Credit cards work at resorts and larger shops.
- Book Atlantis early — it sells out. If Atlantis is the plan, buy day passes before the trip (through the cruise line or Atlantis directly). Take the water ferry from near the Straw Market (\$4-6 one way) rather than a taxi for a faster, cheaper, and more scenic crossing.
- Eat conch at the Fish Fry. Arawak Cay (the Fish Fry) is a strip of colorful shacks serving fresh conch salad and cracked conch — Twin Brothers is a longtime local favorite. Take Jitney #10 west from Bay Street for \$1.25 or a short taxi. This is the real Bahamian food experience, not the tourist-zone restaurants.
- Expect crowds — Nassau is one of the world's busiest ports. Up to six ships can dock simultaneously. Popular spots like Atlantis and Blue Lagoon will be packed on multi-ship days. Book excursions ahead of time and get off the ship early.
- Haggle at the Straw Market. Prices there are always a starting point. Polite negotiation is expected and deals are easy to find. Bay Street duty-free stores have fixed prices — compare jewelry prices to home before buying.
- Sunscreen is non-negotiable. Nassau is hot and humid year-round, and the sun reflects off the harbor. Pack sunscreen, a hat, and a water bottle even in winter months. Heat on the walk to Fort Fincastle catches visitors off guard.

Nassau, New Providence, Bahamas — 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 Pirates of Nassau | Interactive museum showcasing Nassau's pirate history. | 2 Jamaa' Ahlus-Sunnah Bahamas | A prominent mosque and Islamic center in Nassau. |
| 3 Evangelistic Temple | A large, active Christian church in Nassau. | 4 Bahamas Jet Boat | High-speed jet boat thrill ride and tour. |
| 5 Bahamas Historical Society | Museum preserving and showcasing Bahamian history and culture. | 6 Parliament Square | Historic square with Bahamian government buildings and statues. |
| 7 Fort Fincastle Water Tower | Historic fort offering panoramic views from its water tower. | 8 Dolphin Cay Atlantis | Marine habitat for dolphin and sea lion interactions. |
| P Cruise port / terminal | | | |