

New Plymouth, Taranaki, New Zealand

A volcanic cone rising behind a surf coast, world-class kinetic art in the CBD, and Māori legends woven into every hillside — New Plymouth punches well above its size for a cruise day ashore.

 Docked (Port Taranaki)

 Shuttle required to CBD

 Typical call: 8-10 hrs

 NZD — cards accepted everywhere

 English / Te Reo Māori

MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Docked at Port Taranaki; mandatory shuttle to port gate or CBD (~10 min)

Best For: Art lovers, volcano trekkers, coastal walkers, and foodie café culture

Walk to center: Not walkable through active port; shuttle drops at Puke Ariki on the waterfront

Don't Miss: Govett-Brewster / Len Lye Centre and the Coastal Walkway Wind Wand

 Getting around:  Taxi  NZD 15–20 ·  Rideshare  Uber

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Mount Taranaki & Egmont National Park** — A near-perfect dormant stratovolcano — and the reason The Last Samurai was filmed here (it doubles for Mt Fuji).
- **Govett-Brewster Art Gallery / Len Lye Centre** — New Zealand's leading contemporary art museum, housed in a striking stainless-steel building in the CBD.
- **Coastal Walkway & Wind Wand** — A flat, paved 13 km coastal path hugging the Tasman Sea.
- **Puke Ariki Museum** — The city's excellent free museum on the seafront covers Taranaki Māori history, the geology of Mt Taranaki, and the...
- **Pukeiti Rhododendron Garden** — A world-renowned rhododendron garden set in lush native rainforest on the lower slopes of Mt Taranaki, about 30 min...

BEST WALKS

- **Coastal Walkway: CBD to the Wave-Arch Bridge** 12 km return | Easy, flat | Allow 3-4 hrs or rent a bike — From the Puke Ariki drop-off, walk west along the paved Coastal Walkway past the Wind Wand, Ngāmotu Beach, and the Sugar Loaf Marine...
- **CBD Art & Park Loop** 2-3 km | Easy | Allow 2-3 hrs — From the shuttle drop, walk to the Govett-Brewster Art Gallery / Len Lye Centre on Queen Street, then through the West End café...

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 **CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)**

Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr	64°	54°	14d
Jun	57°	49°	15d
Aug	55°	46°	17d
Sep	57°	48°	18d
Oct	60°	50°	18d

 **DAYLIGHT &  MONEY**

Apr 6:51AM–5:55PM · Jun 7:41AM–5:06PM · Aug 7:11AM–5:45PM · Sep 6:25AM–6:13PM · Oct 6:37AM–7:41PM

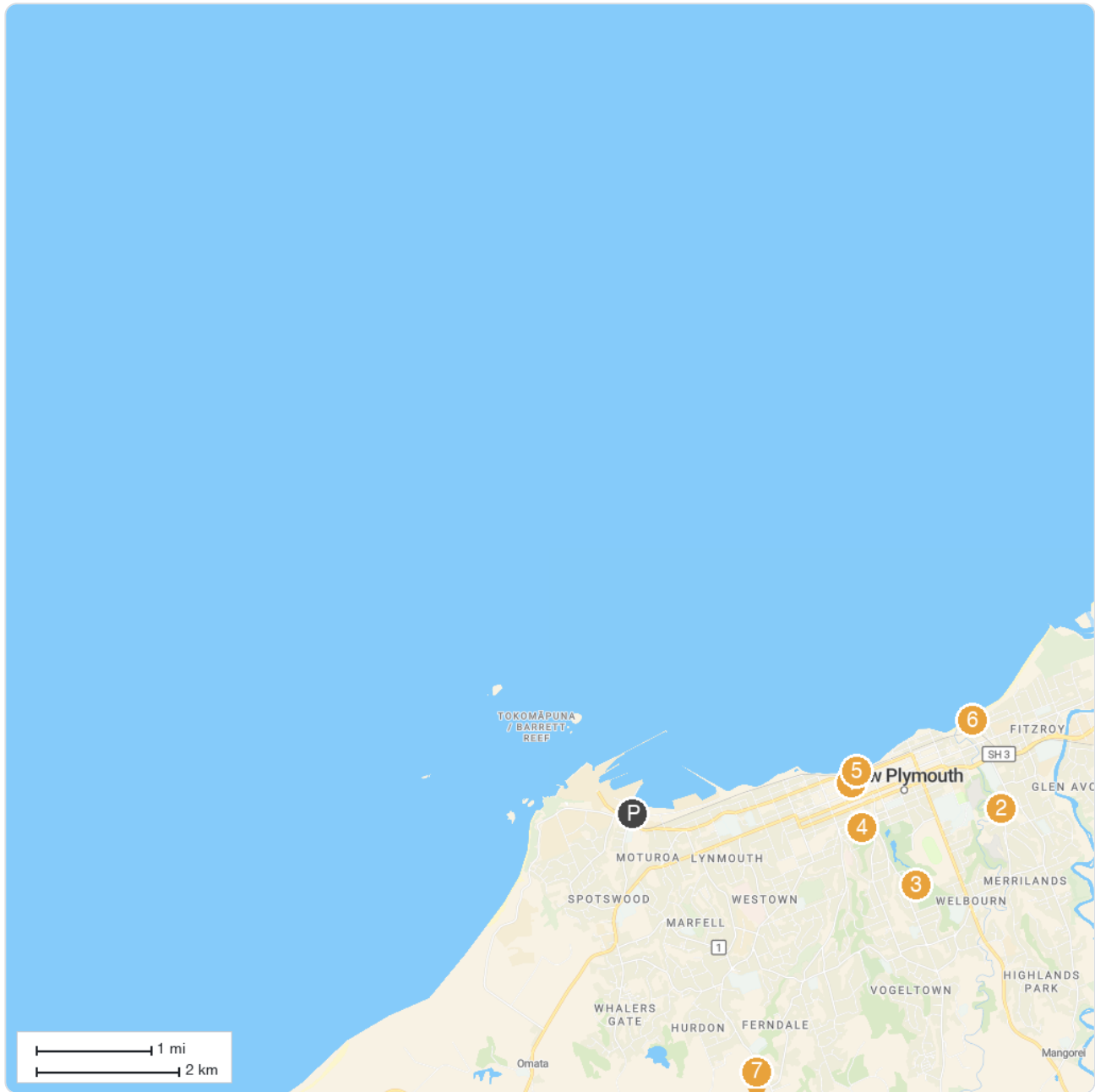
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Biosecurity is serious. Don't carry any fresh food off the ship — New Zealand sniffer dogs work the port and fines start at NZ\$400

New Plymouth, Taranaki, New Zealand — 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 Puke Ariki Integrated museum, library, and visitor centre.

3 Brooklands Zoo Free, small community zoo with diverse animals.

5 Coastal Walkway Foreshore Scenic coastal path for walking, cycling, and views.

7 Pouakai Zoo Pouakai Zoo does not exist in New Plymouth.

2 Te Kainga Marire Award-winning private garden showcasing native New Zealand plants.

4 New Plymouth Observatory Public observatory for stargazing and astronomical viewing.

6 Fitzroy Park Large urban park with gardens, golf course, and recreation.

P Cruise port / terminal