

Newhaven, Edinburgh, Scotland

Newhaven is Edinburgh's cruise gateway — a charming former fishing harbour with a tram stop steps from the tender pier, whisking you straight into one of Europe's most spectacular capital cities.

 Tender port (ships anchor offshore)

 Typical call: 8–10 hrs

 Currency: British Pound (GBP)

 Language: English

 Tram to city centre: 25 min

MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Tender — ships anchor in the Firth of Forth; ~15 min tender ride to Newhaven Harbour pontoon

Walk to tram: 5 min (flat, ~500 m) to Newhaven tram terminus; 25 min by tram to Princes Street

Best For: Edinburgh Castle, Royal Mile, Royal Yacht Britannia, scenic coastal walks

Don't Miss: Book Edinburgh Castle tickets online weeks ahead — they rarely sell walk-ups

 Getting around:  **Taxi**  £11–£17 ·  **Rideshare**  Uber, Bolt ·  **Hop-on hop-off**  Hop-on hop-off

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Edinburgh Castle & the Royal Mile** — Scotland's most visited attraction crowns the volcanic rock above the city.
- Royal Yacht Britannia** — Queen Elizabeth II's former royal yacht is permanently berthed at Ocean Terminal, a 15-minute walk from the tender pier.
- National Museum of Scotland** — Free and outstanding — covers Scottish history, science, fashion, and natural history across grand Victorian galleries.
- Palace of Holyroodhouse** — The King's official Scottish residence anchors the bottom of the Royal Mile.
- Arthur's Seat Hike** — An extinct volcano rising 251 m above Edinburgh — the summit offers panoramic views over the city, the Firth of Forth...

BEST WALKS

- Newhaven Harbour & Lighthouse Loop** 1 km · 20 min · Flat · Free — From the tender pontoon, walk around the picturesque 19th-century stone harbour, past the octagonal cast-iron Newhaven Lighthouse...
- Newhaven to Leith Waterfront** 2.5 km · 35 min · Flat · Free — Head east along the Shore path from Newhaven through the trendy Leith waterfront.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 **CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)**

Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr	51°	39°	11d
Jun	62°	51°	14d
Aug	64°	53°	15d
Sep	61°	51°	12d
Oct	55°	46°	15d

 **DAYLIGHT &  MONEY**

Apr 6:08AM–8:18PM · Jun 4:26AM–9:59PM · Aug 5:43AM–8:49PM · Sep 6:44AM–7:30PM · Oct 7:43AM–6:12PM

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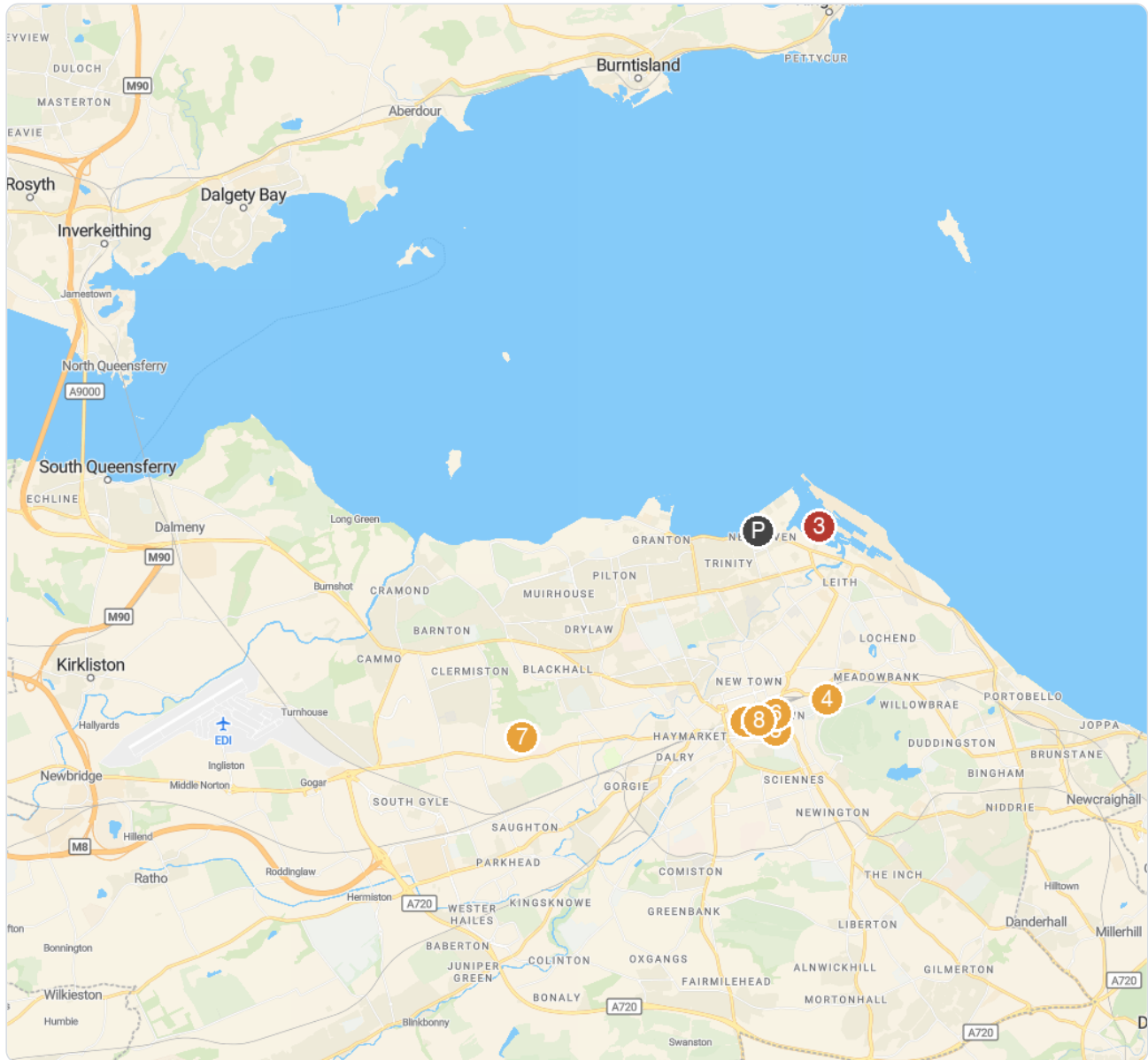
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Book Edinburgh Castle in advance. Walk-up tickets are rarely available — book online at least 2–3 weeks ahead or join an organised tour that includes entrv.

Newhaven, Edinburgh, Scotland — 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 Rosslyn Castle | Historic castle ruins near Rosslyn Chapel, offering scenic views. | 2 Edinburgh Castle | Iconic historic fortress dominating Edinburgh's skyline, housing crown jewels. |
| 3 The Royal Yacht Britannia | Queen Elizabeth II's former floating palace, now a museum. | 4 Scottish Parliament Building | Scotland's modern parliament building, a striking architectural landmark. |
| 5 National Museum of Scotland | Explore Scottish history, culture, and natural world exhibits. | 6 The Real Mary King's Close | Explore hidden historic underground streets and vaults beneath Edinburgh. |
| 7 Edinburgh Zoo | Home to giant pandas and diverse wildlife from around world. | 8 The Scotch Whisky Experience | Immersive tour exploring the history and making of Scotch whisky. |
| P Cruise port / terminal | | | |