

Oban, Scotland, UK

A Victorian harbour town wrapped around a crescent bay, Oban punches above its size — world-class seafood, a centuries-old distillery, and sweeping views from a hilltop colosseum, all within easy walking distance of the tender pier.

Tender port (anchor in bay)

Typical call: 7–9 hrs

British Pound Sterling (GBP)

English / Scottish Gaelic

🚢 MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____

Arrive: _____

All aboard: _____

Excursion: _____

Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Tender — anchor in Oban Bay; 5–10 min ride to North Pier or Railway Pier

Best For: Whisky lovers, seafood fans, Hebrides day-trippers, scenic walkers

Walk to center: Steps from the tender pier — town is immediately accessible

Don't Miss: McCaig's Tower views + The Green Shack seafood hut on the Railway Pier

🚗 Getting around: 🚕 **Taxi** ✅ £6–£8 short trips · 📱 **Rideshare** ❌ not available

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Oban Distillery Tour** — One of Scotland's oldest distilleries (est.
 - **McCaig's Tower & Panoramic Views** — This striking Victorian colosseum crowns the hill above town.
 - **Seal & Wildlife Boat Trip** — Short boat trips depart directly from the North Pier into the Firth of Lorn to spot Atlantic grey seals, bottlenose...
- **Dunollie Castle & Museum** — The ancestral seat of Clan MacDougall, a 20-minute coastal walk north of the pier.
 - **Isle of Mull Day Trip** — The CalMac ferry from the Railway Pier reaches Craignure on Mull in about 50 minutes, opening up Torosay Castle, Duart...

BEST WALKS

- **Waterfront Esplanade & Dunollie Walk** 3.5 km | ~50 min | Easy, flat coastal path — From the tender pier, head north along the Corran Esplanade past the war memorial and boating pond, then continue to Dunollie Castle...
- **Town Centre & McCaig's Tower Loop** 2 km | ~50 min | Moderate (steep ascent) — Walk up George Street through the town center, then climb the steep hill via Argyll Street to McCaig's Tower for panoramic bay views.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		51°	40°	13d
Jun		60°	51°	18d
Aug		61°	53°	20d
Sep		59°	51°	19d
Oct		53°	46°	21d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY

Apr 6:18AM–8:27PM · Jun 4:32AM–10:12PM · Aug 5:50AM–9:04PM · Sep 6:51AM–7:43PM · Oct 7:52AM–6:23PM

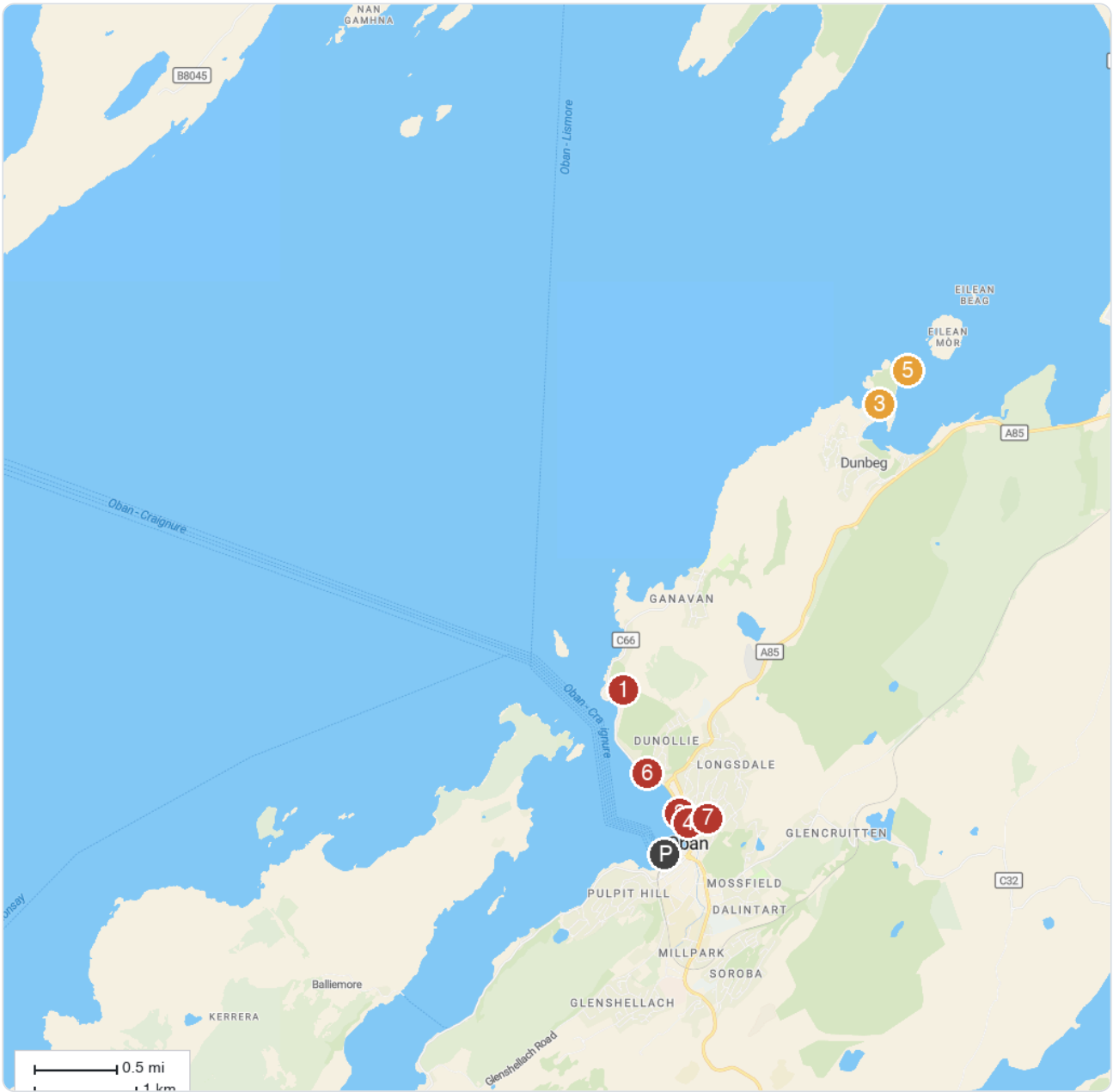
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Dress in layers with waterproofs. The Scottish west coast is famous for sudden rain even in summer. A windproof, waterproof jacket is non-negotiable.
- Eat at The Green Shack. The seafood kiosk on the Railway Pier serves fresh lobster, crab, oysters, and salmon rolls at prices that will stun you. A Oban rite of passage — go early...

Oban, Scotland, UK — 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 Dunollie Museum, Castle and Grounds | Ancient castle ruins, museum, and gardens of Clan MacDougall. | 2 Oban War & Peace Museum | Local museum detailing Oban's history, wartime, and daily life. |
| 3 Ocean Explorer Centre | Interactive marine science visitor centre at Dunstaffnage Bay. | 4 Oban Distillery | Historic working distillery producing Oban single malt Scotch whisky. |
| 5 Dunstaffnage Castle and Chapel | Well-preserved medieval castle ruins and historic chapel near Oban. | 6 St. Columba's Cathedral | Prominent Roman Catholic cathedral and religious landmark in Oban. |
| 7 McCaig's Tower & Battery Hill | Unfinished Victorian folly offering panoramic views over Oban Bay. | P Cruise port / terminal | |