

Palma de Mallorca, Balearic Islands, Spain

Mallorca's sun-drenched capital dazzles with a soaring Gothic cathedral kissing the sea, a labyrinthine Arab quarter, hidden aristocratic patios, and the iconic Sóller mountain railway — all easily reached from a city-centre pier.

Docked (city pier)

Typical call: 8-10 hrs

Euro (€)

Spanish / Catalan

MY DAY IN PORT

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

Excursion: _____ Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Estació Marítima (Moll de Ponent), ~3-5 km from old town; shuttle, Bus 1, water taxi, or waterfront walk

Best For: Cathedral, hidden patios, Sóller vintage train, beaches, Mallorcan tapas

Walk to centre: 35-45 min on foot along the promenade, or 10 min by taxi/shuttle (~€12-€15)

Don't Miss: La Seu Cathedral at golden hour + Can Joan de S'Aigo pastry cafe (est. 1700)

🚗 Getting around: 🚗 Taxi ✓ €11-12 · 📱 Rideshare ✓ Uber, Bolt · 🚌 Hop-on hop-off ✓ City Sightseeing

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **La Seu Cathedral & Almudaina Palace** — Palma's Gothic cathedral rises directly above the sea with one of the world's largest rose windows and a Gaudí-redesigned interior.
- **Sóller Vintage Train & Tram** — Board the 1912 wooden Red Lightning train from Palma's Plaça d'Espanya station and wind through orange-grove valleys and mountain tunnels to Sóller.
- **Serra de Tramuntana Scenic Drive** — This UNESCO World Heritage mountain range delivers dramatic coastal cliffs, ancient olive groves, and stone villages.
- **Old Town Patios & Arab Baths** — Explore the Casc Antic's lanes to discover hidden aristocratic courtyards (patios mallorquines) open to visitors.
- **Caves of Drach** — East-coast cave complex near Porto Cristo with spectacular stalactites and Lake Martel, one of the world's largest underground lakes.

BEST WALKS

- **Waterfront to Cathedral & Old Town Loop** 🕒 1.5-2 hrs · 🚶 Easy · 📷 Best photo walk — Start at Plaça de la Reina and follow the seafront Passeig des Born to La Seu Cathedral.
- **Passeig des Born & Santa Catalina** 🕒 1-1.5 hrs · 🚶 Easy · 🍷 Food & culture — Stroll the elegant Passeig des Born lined with mansions and boutiques, stop at the Casal Sollerie (free art gallery in a Baroque palace), then head to Santa Catalina...
- **Bellver Castle Hilltop** 🕒 2 hrs · 🚶 Moderate (uphill) · 🏰 Panoramic views — Take Bus Line 46 or a taxi to the base, then walk up to Bellver Castle — a rare circular Gothic castle from 1311 with sweeping views of Palma Bay.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		87°	79°	4d
Jun		87°	80°	17d
Aug		87°	80°	15d
Sep		86°	79°	23d
Oct		84°	78°	21d

DAYLIGHT & 🌳 MONEY

Apr 7:12AM-8:27PM · Jun 6:21AM-9:18PM · Aug 7:02AM-8:44PM · Sep 7:30AM-7:57PM · Oct 7:59AM-7:09PM

Representative sunrise/sunset — 2025, 15th of each month; local civil time including DST (Europe/Madrid). Source: Astral; not a forecast or climate average.

Euro (€)

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Bus Nàutic is the smart move (2026): The new electric water bus from the cruise terminal drops you opposite the Cathedral for ~€6 — scenic, fast, no traffic jams. Check the Port Authority noticeboard at the terminal for schedule.
- Summer heat: July and August are brutal midday. Start early, carry water, and use the Cathedral, Arab Baths, and Mercat de l'Olivar as cool-down stops.
- Cathedral light show: On sunny mornings, blue and gold light streams through La Seu's rose window. Arrive before 10am for the best light and shorter queues. Book tickets online in advance.
- Ensaimada — Mallorca's edible souvenir: The coiled yeasted pastry is the island icon. The real deal is at Can Joan de S'Aigo (Carrer de Can Sanc, since 1700) or Forn des Teatre (Plaça Weyler — stunning Art Nouveau bakery).
- Hidden patios: Look for open doorways on Carrer de Sant Feliu and Carrer del Palau Reial — many 17th-century noble mansions open their courtyards for free. One of Palma's most underrated experiences.
- Allow 90 min back to ship: Palma gets crowded at turnaround.

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This map shows the eastern coastline of Mallorca, Spain. The land is depicted in shades of green and tan, while the sea is blue. Major roads are shown as orange lines, with some labeled like MA-20 and MA-15. Towns and villages are labeled in black text, including Sóller, Deià, Valldemossa, Banyalbufar, Esporles, Palmanouya, Marratxí, Portol, Santa Maria del Camí, Son Ferriol, Sant Jordi, s'Arenal de Llucmajor, Les Palmeres, Maïoris Dècima, sa Torre, Badia Gran, Port de Sóller, Bunyola, Establiments, es Secar de la Real, sa Cabana, Son Ferriol, Santa Ponça, Cala Vinyes, el Toro, Sol de Mallorca, Portals Nous, Peguera, Port d'Andratx, sa Mola, Andratx, es Capdellà, Calvià, Puigpunyent, Estellencs, and Banyalbufar. The island of Sa Dragonera is also visible. Seven numbered red circles are placed along the coast: 1 is near Port de Sóller, 2 is near Port de Sóller, 3 is near Port de Sóller, 4 is near Port de Sóller, 5 is near Port de Sóller, 6 is near Port de Sóller, and 7 is near Port de Sóller. A scale bar at the bottom left indicates 5 miles and 5 kilometers.

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| 1 | Castillo de Bellver | A unique circular Gothic castle with city views. | 2 | Palma Aquarium | Large aquarium showcasing Mediterranean and tropical marine life. |
| 3 | Catedral-Basílica de Santa María de Mallorca | Palma's iconic Gothic cathedral, a stunning architectural masterpiece. | 4 | Western Water Park | Wild West themed water park with slides and pools. |
| 5 | Train Sóller Station (Palma de Mallorca) | Historic station for a scenic wooden train ride to Sóller. | 6 | Katmandu Park | Interactive theme park with rides, 4D cinema, and mini-golf. |
| 7 | Museum of Mallorca | Museum displaying Mallorca's archaeological finds, art, and ethnography. | P | Cruise port / terminal | |