

# Porto Santo Stefano, Tuscany, Italy

A former Spanish military enclave turned Italian Riviera gem, Porto Santo Stefano clings to the dramatic cliffs of Monte Argentario with pastel houses, a yacht-filled harbor, and some of the clearest Tyrrhenian water you'll ever see.

Pier (small ships) / Tender (large ships)

Typical call: 6–9 hrs

Currency: Euro (€)

Language: Italian

## 🚢 MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Arrive: \_\_\_\_\_

All aboard: \_\_\_\_\_

Excursion: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

## GETTING ASHORE

- Docking:** Smaller ships dock at Porto Vecchio; large ships anchor and tender in
- Best For:** Upscale Tuscan ambiance, beach walks through WWII tunnels, history
- Walk to center:** 2–5 min flat walk from tender/pier to Piazza dei Rioni
- Don't Miss:** Spanish Fortress panorama & the walk to Cantoniera beach via old railway tunnels

Getting around: **Taxi** €5–€15

## TOP THINGS TO DO

- Spanish Fortress (Fortezza Spagnola)** — Climb to this massive hilltop fort, built between the late 16th and early 17th centuries during the Spanish State of...
- WWII Tunnel Walk to Cantoniera Beach** — A unique shore-day walk: head west along the coast and pass through two decommissioned railway tunnels (bombed in WWII...
- Ferry to Isola del Giglio** — Hop a Toremara or Maregiglio ferry for a 1-hour crossing to this rugged, car-free island with crystal coves and a...
- Feniglia & Giannella Sandy Beaches** — A 10-minute taxi ride reaches the long sandy tombolo spits connecting Monte Argentario to the mainland.
- Porto Ercole & Roman Ruins at Ansedonia** — Porto Ercole is the quieter, even more aristocratic fishing village on the other side of the Monte Argentario peninsula.

## BEST WALKS

- Harbor Promenade to WWII Tunnels & Cantoniera Beach** 3.5 km round trip · Easy · ~1.5 hrs — Walk west along the Lungomare (designed by car designer Giorgetto Giugiaro) past the Porto Vecchio fishing boats, then continue on the...
- Town to Spanish Fortress** 1 km one-way · Moderate (steep) · ~30 min — From the harbor promenade, follow signs uphill through steep cobblestone alleys to the Fortezza Spagnola.

## WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

**CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)**

|     | Mon | High | Low | Rain |
|-----|-----|------|-----|------|
| Apr |     | 64°  | 50° | 7d   |
| Jun |     | 79°  | 66° | 6d   |
| Aug |     | 85°  | 70° | 3d   |
| Sep |     | 78°  | 65° | 7d   |
| Oct |     | 71°  | 59° | 10d  |

**DAYLIGHT & MONEY**

Apr 6:34AM–7:57PM · Jun 5:38AM–8:54PM · Aug 6:22AM–8:16PM · Sep 6:55AM–7:24PM · Oct 7:28AM–6:33PM

Currency: Euro (€)

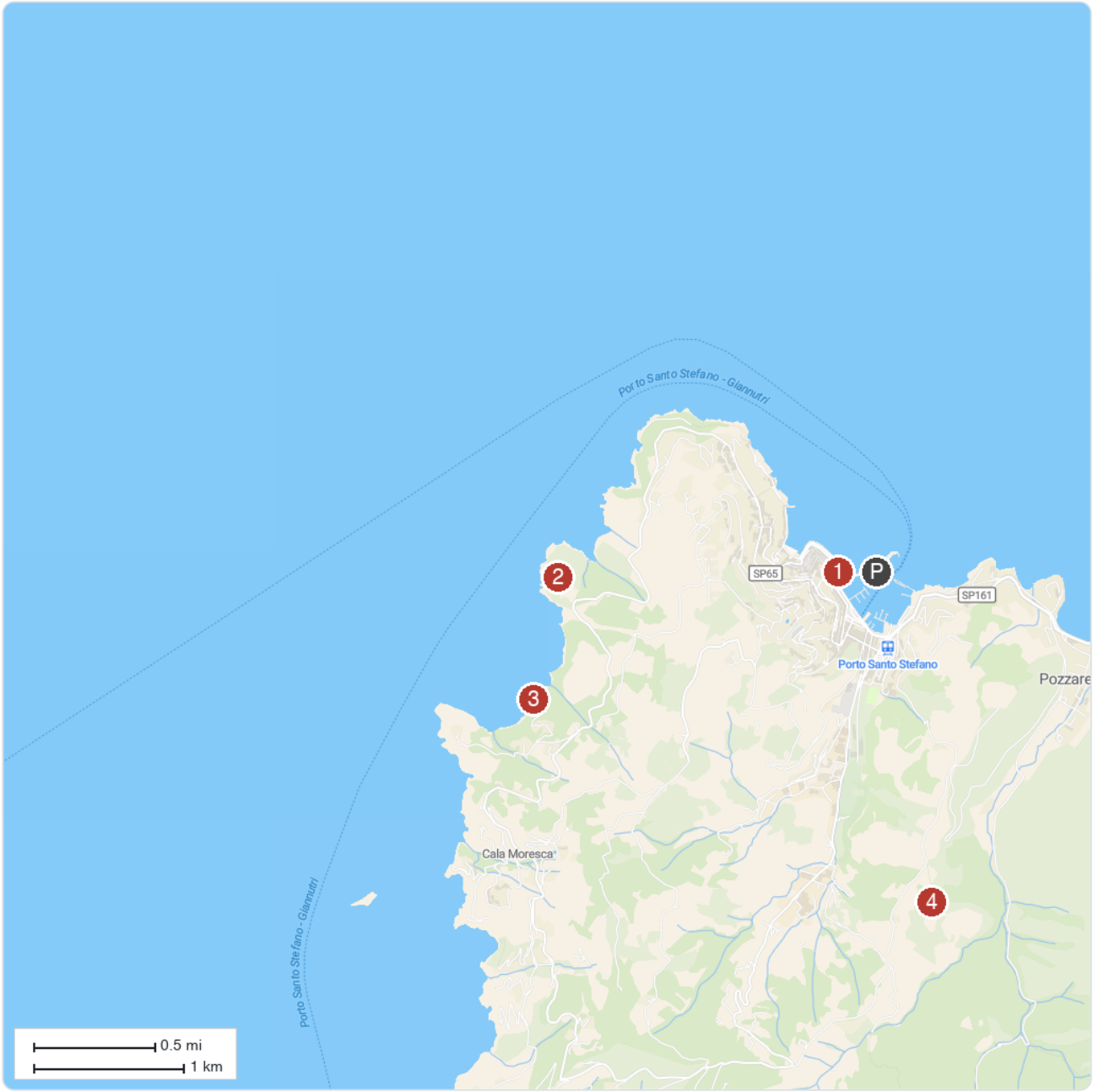
## KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Wear walking shoes. Anything beyond the flat harbor promenade means steep cobblestone streets and steps — flip-flops will punish you.

# Porto Santo Stefano, Tuscany, Italy — Port Map

[cruiseports.org](https://cruiseports.org)

Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



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|---------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>1</b> Argentario Aquarium    | Local aquarium displaying diverse Mediterranean sea creatures. | <b>2</b> Torre della Cacciarella | Historic coastal watchtower offering panoramic sea views. |
| <b>3</b> Cala Grande            | Stunning secluded cove with crystal-clear waters.              | <b>4</b> Torre Dell'Argentiera   | Ancient coastal tower with scenic views of the sea.       |
| <b>P</b> Cruise port / terminal |                                                                |                                  |                                                           |