

Puerto Cortés, Cortés, Honduras

Central America's busiest port isn't a tourist resort — it's the real thing. Authentic Honduran street life, Garifuna drumming, an 18th-century Spanish fortress, and some of the best baleadas you'll ever eat.

 Pier (commercial dock)

 Typical call: 8-10 hrs

 USD widely accepted / Lempira

 Spanish (limited English)

 Mainland gateway

👉 MY DAY IN PORT

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

Excursion: _____ Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Pier — commercial terminal; shuttle to port gate

Best For: History, culture, jungle excursions, authentic food

Walk to center: ~1.5 mi to Parque Central; taxi recommended

Don't Miss: Fortaleza de San Fernando de Omoa (18th-century fortress)

🚗 Getting around: 🚗 **Taxi** ✅ \$5–\$20 USD

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Fortaleza de San Fernando de Omoa** — One of the largest Spanish colonial forts in Central America, built in the 1750s to repel pirates.
- Pulhapanzak Waterfall** — A 43-metre cascade roaring through dense jungle.
- Garifuna Village of Bajamar** — A short drive from port, Bajamar is a living Garifuna community — descendants of Carib, Arawak, and West African people.
- San Pedro Sula & Guamilito Market** — Honduras's industrial capital is a 1-hour drive and home to the sprawling Guamilito Market, where hand-woven hammocks...
- Lancetilla Botanical Garden** — One of the largest tropical botanical gardens in the world, east of Puerto Cortés near Tela.

BEST WALKS

- Parque Central & Town Waterfront** 1-2 hrs · Easy · Cultural — Ride a taxi from the port gate to Parque Central, then stroll the shaded square past the cathedral and municipal palace.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 **CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)**

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		85°	74°	23d
Jun		82°	73°	29d
Aug		82°	73°	30d
Sep		82°	73°	29d
Oct		81°	73°	30d

 **DAYLIGHT &  MONEY**

Apr 5:24AM–5:43PM · Jun 5:15AM–5:53PM · Aug 5:26AM–5:50PM · Sep 5:24AM–5:33PM · Oct 5:22AM–5:17PM

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KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Only use official port-gate taxis. Agree on the fare before boarding — there are no meters. Keep small USD bills (\$1, \$5, \$10); change is often given in Lempiras.
- Stay aware of your surroundings. Puerto Cortés is manageable, but avoid wandering alone in unfamiliar areas. Stick to busy streets, don't flash expensive gear, and book organized...
- Eat a baleada. Honduras's iconic street food — a thick flour tortilla folded over refried red beans, crema, and crumbly cheese —

Puerto Cortés, Cortés, Honduras — 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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Parque Ecológico y Turístico Safari
An ecological park offering a safari experience with wildlife.
- 2

BALNEARIO VALLE BONITO
A beautiful valley resort with pools and water recreation.
- P

Cruise port / terminal