

Skomer Island, Pembrokeshire, Wales, UK

An uninhabited island nature reserve where puffins walk up to your feet, half the world's Manx Shearwaters nest underground, and Atlantic seals lounge on the rocks below ancient clifftops.

 Tender / Zodiac landing

 Typical call: 5-7 hrs

 GBP (£)

 English

 Wildlife season: Apr-Sep

🚢 MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____

Arrive: _____

All aboard: _____

Excursion: _____

Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Expedition ships anchor offshore; Zodiac tender to North Haven landing. Larger ships dock at Milford Haven or Pembroke Dock, then transfer to Martin's Haven.

Best For: Puffin encounters (May-mid-Jul), birdwatching, seal spotting, wildflowers, and unspoilt coastal scenery

Walk to centre: 87 steep stone steps from landing jetty to island plateau. No vehicles. Main loop 4 miles / 2-3 hrs; short route to The Wick ~1.5 miles.

Don't Miss: The Wick puffin colony — birds nest at arm's length from the path; The Garland Stone for grey seals

🚗 Getting around: 🚗 **Taxi** ✅ £35-50 · 🚗 **Rideshare** ❌ not available

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Puffin Walk to The Wick** — Hike across the island plateau to The Wick, a dramatic south-facing cliff where 40,000+ puffins nest in burrows right...
 - **Grey Seal & Porpoise Spotting at Garland Stone** — Follow the northern trail to the Garland Stone, the best vantage point on the island for watching Atlantic grey seals...
 - **Island Circuit Walk** — The full 4-mile perimeter trail loops the entire island, passing bluebell carpets in May, Bronze Age
- Harold Stone, Manx...

 - **Skomer by Boat (Circumnavigation)** — For those who can't manage the 87-step climb, Dale Sailing and similar operators run cruise trips around the island...
 - **Farm Visitor Centre & Skomer Vole Exhibit** — The restored central farmstead houses a small interactive exhibition on the island's conservation history, its Bronze...

BEST WALKS

- **North Haven to The Wick (Puffin Cliff)** 1.5 miles / 45-60 mins one-way | Moderate — From the North Haven landing, follow the signed path southwest across the plateau, past the Farm visitor centre, to The Wick cliff...
- **Full Island Loop** 4 miles / 2.5-3 hrs | Moderate — A circular trail around Skomer's coast and interior, taking in The Wick puffin cliff, Garland Stone seal viewpoint, Harold Stone...

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 **CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)**

Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr	54°	43°	11d
Jun	63°	53°	14d
Aug	65°	57°	16d
Sep	63°	54°	15d
Oct	58°	51°	17d

 **DAYLIGHT & 🌳 MONEY**

Apr 6:24AM-8:18PM · Jun 5:02AM-9:41PM · Aug 6:06AM-8:43PM · Sep 6:56AM-7:35PM · Oct 7:46AM-6:26PM

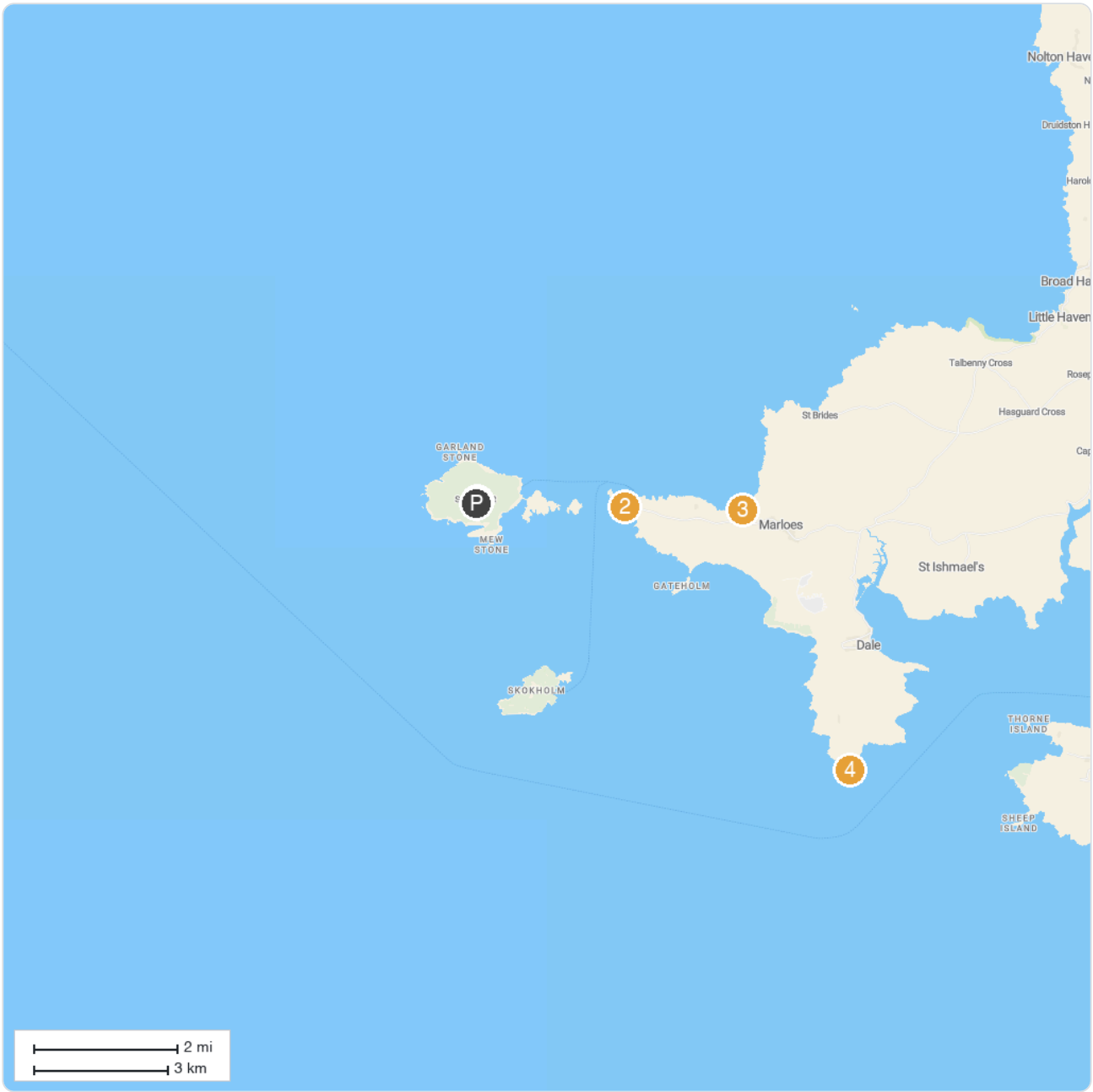
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Book far ahead. Island landing tickets (250/day cap) sell out weeks or months in advance — especially May-July puffin peak. No landings on Mondays

Skomer Island, Pembrokeshire, Wales, 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 Skomer Island | Skomer Island is a wildlife reserve famous for puffins. | 2 Deer Park | Deer Park is a scenic headland for wildlife and sea views. |
| 3 Musselwick Sands | Musselwick Sands is a secluded, sandy beach accessible at low tide. | 4 St Ann's Head Lighthouse | St Ann's Head Lighthouse is a historic beacon on a dramatic headland. |
| P Cruise port / terminal | | | |