

Swansea, Wales, United Kingdom

Dylan Thomas called it an 'ugly, lovely town' — and he was only half right. Swansea pairs a revived waterfront and Wales' finest indoor market with the Gower Peninsula, Britain's first Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, just down the road.

 Docked — Kings Dock (lock-gate access)

 Typical call: 8-10 hrs

 British Pound (GBP)

 English; Welsh on all signs

MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____

Arrive: _____

All aboard: _____

Excursion: _____

Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Kings Dock — small/mid-size ships only (max ~200 m); shuttle to city required

Best For: Coastal walks, Welsh culture, Gower Peninsula day trips

Walk to center: 10 min by shuttle; pedestrians not permitted through port zone

Don't Miss: Swansea Market laverbread & welshcakes, Mumbles village, Rhossili Bay

Getting around:  Taxi  £3–£5 ·  Rideshare  Uber

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Maritime Quarter & Dylan Thomas Trail** — The revitalised South Dock area packs in the free National Waterfront Museum (Wales' industrial story), Swansea Museum... among the world's best beaches.
- Mumbles Village & Promenade** — Hop the No.
- Gower Peninsula Day Trip** — Britain's first AONB offers Three Cliffs Bay and Rhossili Bay — consistently rated
- Swansea Castle & City Centre** — The 14th-century ruins of Swansea Castle sit right in the city centre — free to view from outside.
- Rhossili Bay & Worm's Head Walk** — Three miles of golden sand backed by dramatic cliffs, ending at Worm's Head — a tidal island only accessible at low tide.

BEST WALKS

- Maritime Quarter to Swansea Bay Beach** 2 km · 25 min · Flat — From the shuttle drop-off near the National Waterfront Museum, walk south along the marina edge, past Swansea Museum and the Dylan...
- Mumbles Promenade & Pier** 2 km · 30 min · Flat — Alight the No.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 **CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)**

Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr	55°	42°	0d
Jun	65°	53°	1d
Aug	67°	56°	1d
Sep	65°	52°	1d
Oct	59°	48°	2d

 **DAYLIGHT &  MONEY**

Apr 6:19AM–8:12PM · Jun 4:57AM–9:35PM · Aug 6:01AM–8:37PM · Sep 6:51AM–7:29PM · Oct 7:40AM–6:21PM

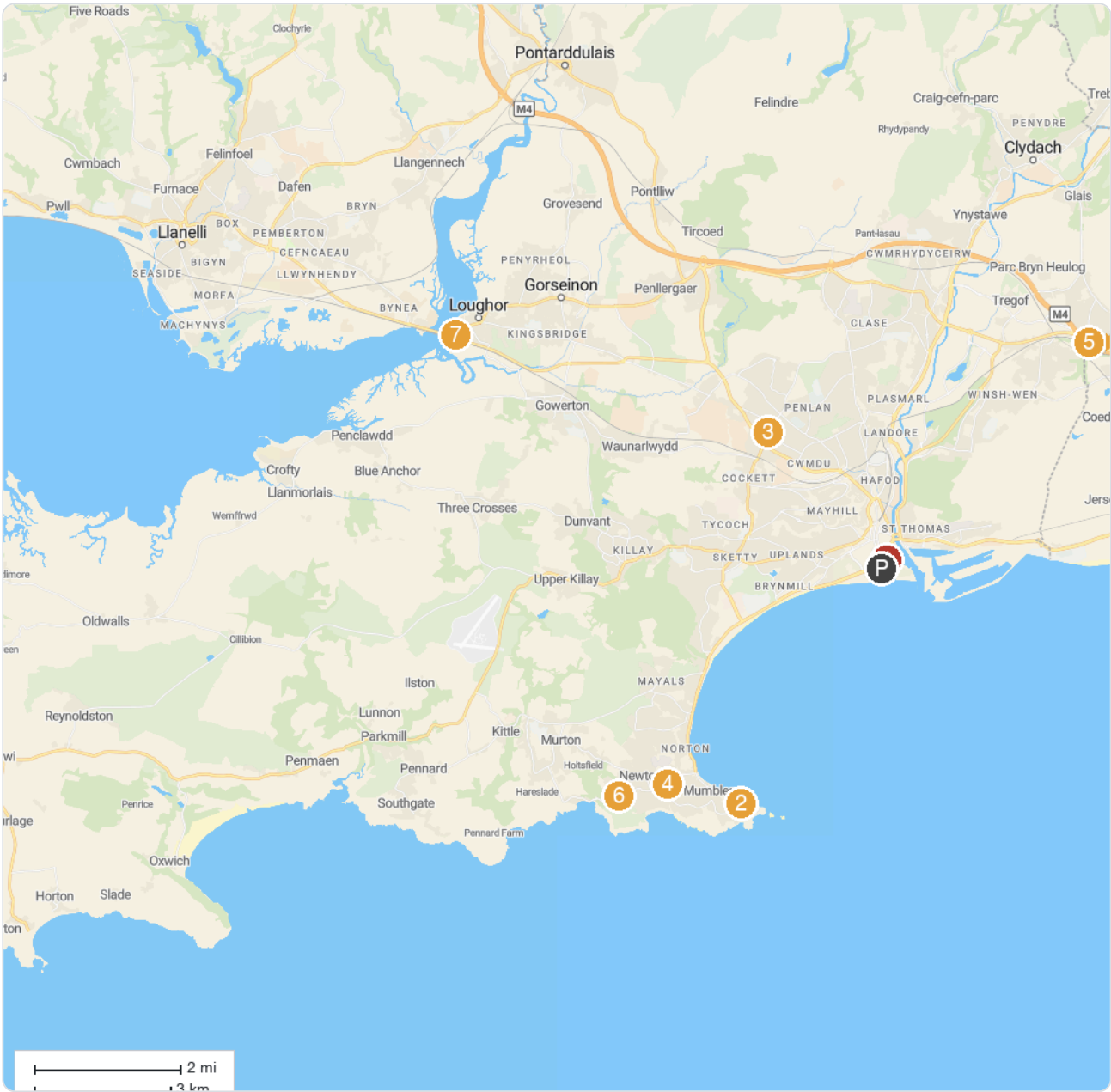
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Shuttle is not optional. The port security zone bans pedestrians — you must take the cruise line shuttle into town. It's free and runs frequently while passengers are ashore.
- Hit Swansea Market early. This is the largest indoor market in Wales — grab warm welshcakes off the bakestone and try laverbread (seaweed paste) with cockles if you're feeling...

Swansea, Wales, United Kingdom — 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 Swansea Museum | Explore local history, archaeology, and maritime collections. | 2 Mumbles Hill Local Nature Reserve | Mumbles Hill: Coastal nature reserve with stunning views and wildlife. |
| 3 Ravenhill Park | Green urban park with playgrounds and sports facilities. | 4 Underhill Hub | Community sports and leisure centre with pitches. |
| 5 Neath Abbey | Historic ruins of a Cistercian monastery. | 6 Bishop's Wood Local Nature Reserve | Bishop's Wood: Ancient woodland nature reserve with diverse wildlife. |
| 7 Parc Williams | Victorian park with gardens, play areas, and bandstand. | P Cruise port / terminal | |