

Tolagnaro, Anosy, Madagascar

Where three ecosystems collide at the far southeastern tip of Madagascar — jungle, spiny desert, and turquoise Indian Ocean — Tolagnaro delivers lemurs, cheap lobster, and scenery that rewards the effort to get here.

⚓ Pier (large ships) / Tender (expedition) ⌚ Typical call: 7–9 hrs 📄 Malagasy Ariary (MGA); EUR/USD accepted 🗣️ Malagasy & French

👉 MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Large ships pier at Port d'Ehoala (~10 km from town); expedition vessels tender to town waterfront

Best For: Lemur encounters, tropical beaches, fresh lobster, wilderness hiking

Walk to center: Not walkable from deep-water pier — shuttle or taxi required; tender landing is a short walk to town

Don't Miss: Nahampoana Reserve for lemurs up close, Libanona Beach, lobster lunch in town

🚗 Getting around: 🚗 **Taxi** ✅ 10,000–15,000 MGA one-way · 📱 **Rideshare** ❌ not available

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Nahampoana Reserve — Lemur Encounter** — A well-managed private reserve 7 km north of town with lush bamboo gardens and free-roaming lemurs — ring-tailed, Verreaux's sifaka (the 'dancing'...
- **Lokaro Bay Full-Day Adventure** — A breathtaking hidden bay surrounded by jungle-covered hills and mangroves.
- **Libanona Beach Day** — Tolagnaro's crown jewel beach: golden sand, sheltered turquoise water safe for swimming, and a relaxed local vibe.
- **Fort Flacourt & Town Walk** — The ruins of a French fort dating to 1643 — one of the oldest European structures in Madagascar — offer harbor views and a small colonial history...
- **Pic Saint Louis Hike** — Climb the 529 m peak above town for 360° panoramas of the bays, Libanona Beach, and mountain ranges stretching to the horizon.

BEST WALKS

- **Town Center to Libanona Beach** 1.5 km · 15–20 min · Easy — A straightforward walk from the town hall or Bazar Be market south through the peninsula to Libanona Beach.
- **Town Waterfront & Fort Flacourt** 1 km loop · 20–30 min · Easy — From the tender landing walk the waterfront toward the old fort ruins for harbor views and the small colonial history museum, then loop back through the market streets.

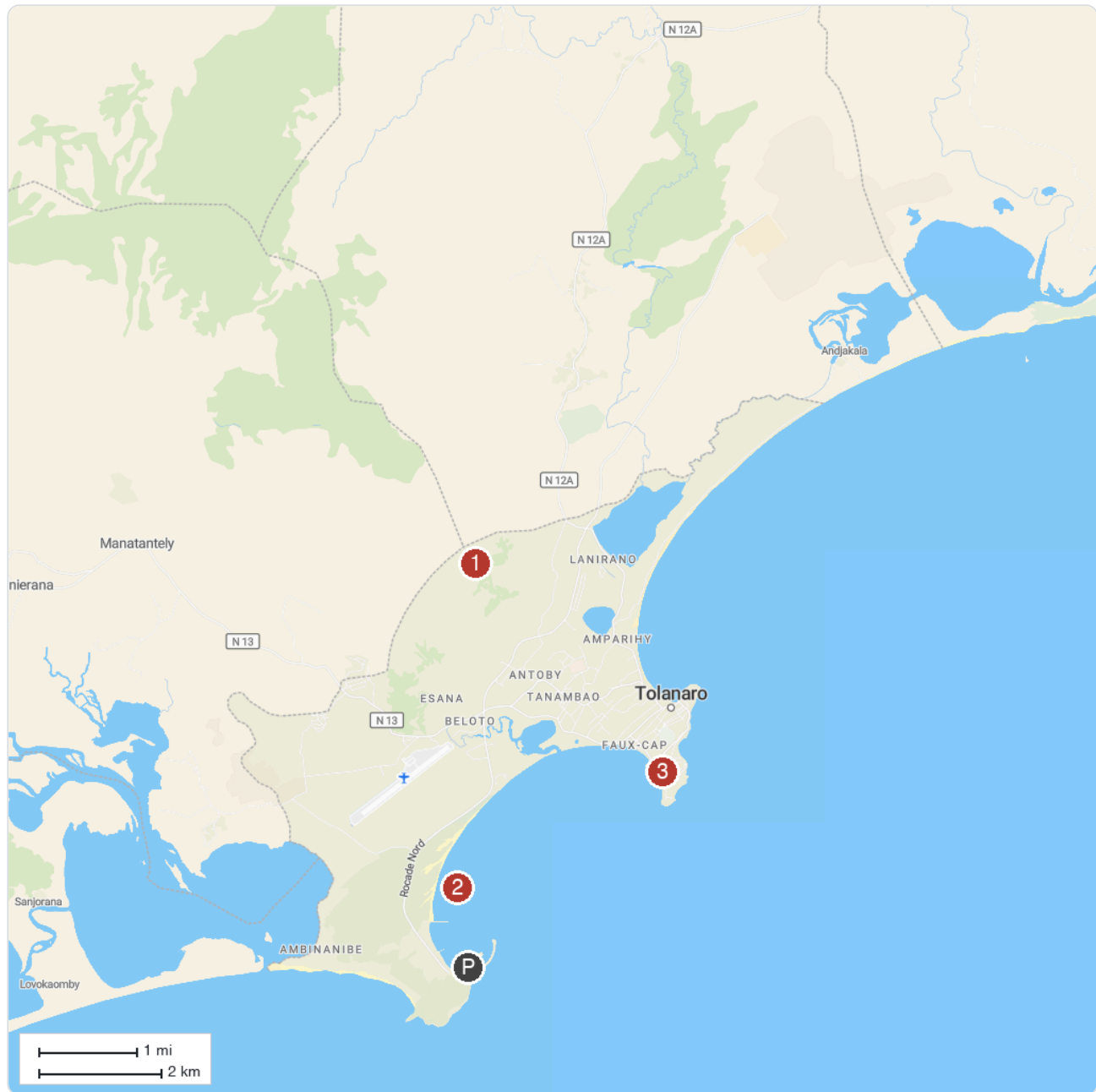
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Cash is king. Credit cards are rarely accepted in town. Bring Malagasy Ariary or clean, uncreased EUR/USD bills — torn or heavily folded notes are often refused. ATMs exist but are unreliable.
- Malaria precautions required. Tolagnaro is in a malaria zone. Apply high-DEET repellent before going ashore, especially if visiting reserves. Long sleeves at dusk add extra protection.
- Eat the lobster. Tolagnaro's spiny lobster is world-class and genuinely cheap by any standard — grilled langouste at Le Dauphin or Talinjoo restaurant is a bucket-list meal.
- Deep-water pier passengers: don't miss the shuttle. Port d'Ehoala is 10 km from town with no pedestrian route. Confirm shuttle times at the gangway and note the last departure back.
- Madagascar vanilla at the market. Bazar Be sells vacuum-sealed vanilla pods at a fraction of Western prices. Buy sealed pouches to clear customs. Wild pepper (Voatsiperifery) and pink peppercorns also make excellent lightweight gifts.
- Strong currents outside Libanona. Ehoala Beach (near the port) and Anse Dauphine look tempting but have dangerous surf and currents. Libanona Beach is the safe swimming choice.

Tolagnaro, Anosy, Madagascar — 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 Pic Saint Louis | A 529-meter peak overlooking Tolagnaro with panoramic views of the town, Lokaro Bay, and the Anosy Mountains. | 2 Nahampoana Reserve | A private botanical reserve and former colonial garden home to ring-tailed lemurs, sifakas, and Nile crocodiles. |
| 3 Libanona Beach | A sheltered bay beach at the foot of Pic Saint Louis on Tolagnaro's southern shore, popular with locals for swimming. | P Cruise port / terminal | |