

Trincomalee, Eastern Province, Sri Lanka

One of the world's great natural harbors, Trincomalee pairs a clifftop Hindu temple and deer-roaming colonial fort with luminous turquoise beaches and the occasional blue whale offshore.

 Pier (Ashraff Jetty)  Typical call: 7-9 hrs  Sri Lankan Rupee (LKR)  Sinhala / Tamil / English

MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Pier — Ashraff Jetty inside Trincomalee Harbour; shuttle to port gate

Best For: Temple & fort history, beach day, snorkeling Pigeon Island, whale watching

Walk to Center: ~1.5 km to Fort Frederick from port gate; tuk-tuk recommended in heat

Don't Miss: Koneswaram Temple on Swami Rock and the free-roaming spotted deer in Fort Frederick

 Getting around:  **Taxi**  \$3–8 ·  **Rideshare**  not available

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Fort Frederick & Koneswaram Temple** — Walk through an active military fort built by the Portuguese in 1624, past free-roaming spotted deer, to the clifftop...
- **Pigeon Island Snorkeling** — A marine national park just 1 km off Nilaveli Beach, famous for blacktip reef sharks, sea turtles, and vivid coral.
- **Blue Whale Watching** — Trincomalee's deep offshore canyon is one of the world's best blue whale spots.
- **Uppuveli Beach Day** — Golden sand lined with laid-back cafes and dive shops, just 6 km north of port.
- **Kanniya Hot Springs** — Seven ancient stone-walled wells, each at a slightly different warm temperature, believed by locals to have therapeutic...

BEST WALKS

- **Fort Frederick & Swami Rock Loop** 1.5 km | Easy | ~1.5 hrs | Free — From the port gate, tuk-tuk or walk to Fort Frederick's main entrance.
- **Dutch Bay Waterfront Stroll** 1 km | Flat | ~30 min | Free — A short waterfront walk along Dutch Bay, the crescent beach in central Trincomalee.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 **CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)**

Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr	93°	77°	0d
Jun	96°	79°	0d
Aug	95°	78°	1d
Sep	94°	77°	1d
Oct	91°	76°	3d

 **DAYLIGHT &  MONEY**

Apr 5:55AM–6:14PM · Jun 5:47AM–6:24PM · Aug 5:57AM–6:21PM · Sep 5:55AM–6:05PM · Oct 5:52AM–5:48PM

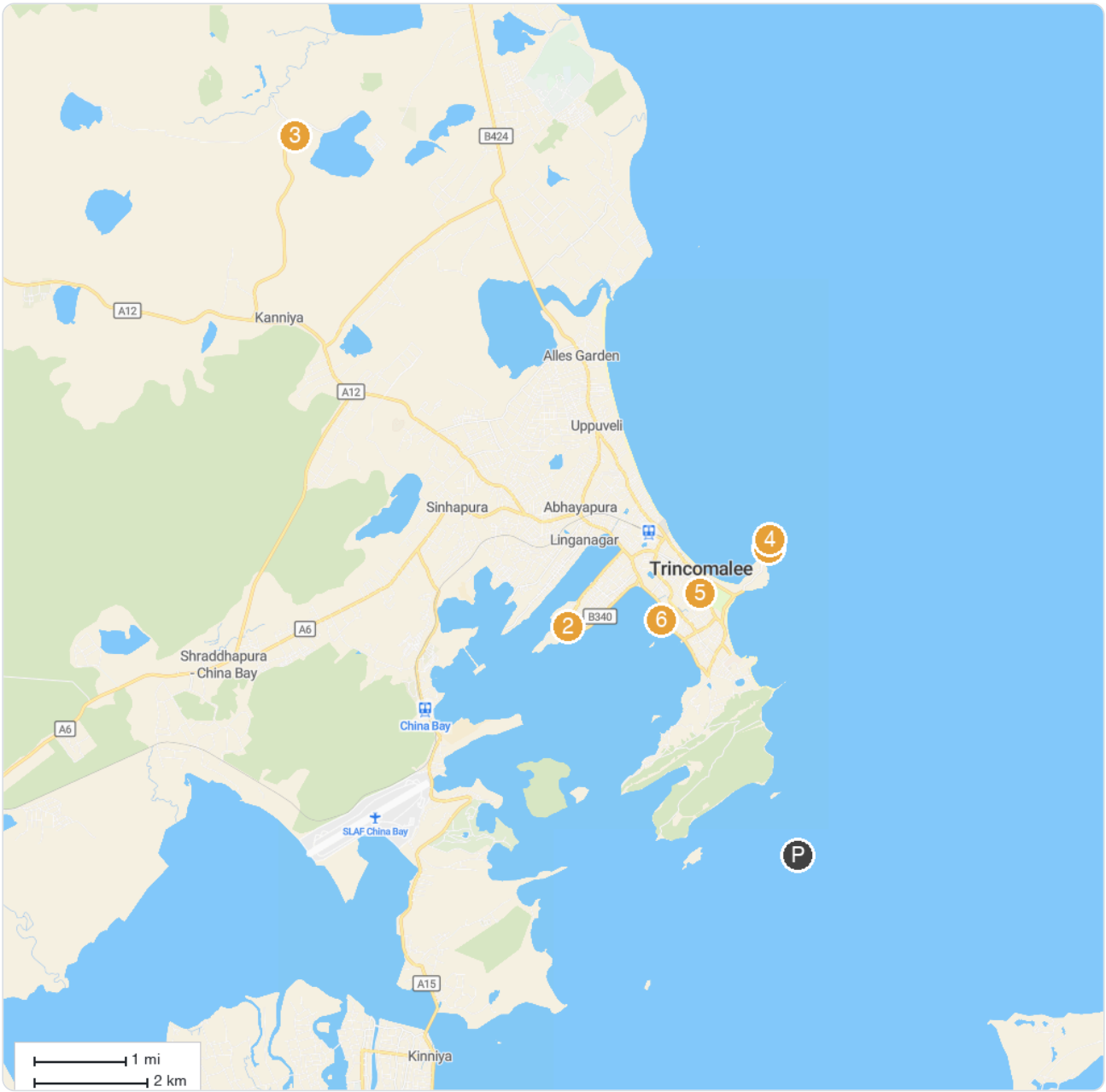
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Agree on tuk-tuk fares before you board. Port gate to Uppuveli Beach should be 800–1,200 LKR (\$3–4 USD). A full-day tuk-tuk hire runs \$20–30 USD and is excellent value.
- Cover up for Koneswaram Temple. Shoulders and knees must be covered for both men and women. Bring a sarong or scarf — the stone floor can be scorching, so socks help too.

Trincomalee, Eastern Province, Sri Lanka — 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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A legendary deep chasm or gorge with stunning views.
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Orr's Hill Army Museum

A museum showcasing Sri Lankan Army history and artifacts.
- 3

Velgam Vehera Buddhist Temple | වෙල්ගම් වෙහෙර

An ancient Buddhist temple with historical ruins and serene atmosphere.
- 4

Lovers Leap

A scenic cliff with a tragic legend and panoramic ocean views.
- 5

Shri Badrakali Amman Hindu Kovil

A vibrant Hindu temple dedicated to Goddess Bhadrakali.
- 6

View Point

A panoramic viewpoint offering stunning vistas of Trincomalee harbor.
- P

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