

Vieques Island, Puerto Rico, USA

Eight miles off eastern Puerto Rico, Vieques is what the Caribbean looked like before the resorts arrived — wild horses on empty beaches, a Guinness-record glowing bay, and an ex-Navy wilderness refuge that kept developers out for decades.

 Tender port (no cruise pier)

 Typical call: 6–8 hrs

 US Dollar

 Spanish / English

 Wildlife refuge & eco beaches

🗓 MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____

Arrive: _____

All aboard: _____

Excursion: _____

Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Tender only — ships anchor off Esperanza or Isabel Segunda; no cruise pier

Best For: Pristine beaches, bioluminescent bay tours, wild horse sightings, snorkeling

Walk to center: Land directly on Esperanza Malecón (south) or Isabel Segunda ferry pier (north)

Don't Miss: Mosquito Bay bio-bay tour (night only), Sun Bay Beach, Fortín Conde de Mirasol

 Getting around:  Taxi  \$10–\$15 per person

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Sun Bay Beach (Balneario Sombe)** — Crescent bay with calm turquoise water, palm shade, restrooms, and a small cafeteria — the most accessible beach from...
- **Wild Horse & Wildlife Refuge Drive** — Rent a UTV or Jeep and explore the former U.S.
- **Mosquito Bioluminescent Bay Tour** — Guinness World Record holder for the world's brightest bio-bay.
- **Fortín Conde de Mirasol** — The last Spanish fort built in the Americas (completed 1855), perched above Isabel Segunda with panoramic ocean views.
- **Snorkel at Esperanza Pier** — The old fishing pier at Esperanza is a local favorite for snorkeling — corals and fish gather around the pilings steps...

BEST WALKS

- **Esperanza Malecón to Sun Bay Beach** 2.5 km · ~30 min one-way · Easy — Walk the Malecón boardwalk past restaurants and dive shops, then follow the road east to Sun Bay — a proper Caribbean crescent beach...
- **Isabel Segunda Town Walk** ~1 km loop · 30 min · Easy — From the ferry pier, walk uphill into Isabel Segunda past local bakeries and the plaza to Fortín Conde de Mirasol for views over the...

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 **CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)**

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		79°	77°	10d
Jun		82°	79°	14d
Aug		83°	80°	20d
Sep		84°	80°	19d
Oct		83°	80°	19d

 **DAYLIGHT &  MONEY**

Apr 6:05AM–6:38PM · Jun 5:46AM–6:58PM · Aug 6:04AM–6:47PM · Sep 6:10AM–6:23PM · Oct 6:15AM–5:59PM

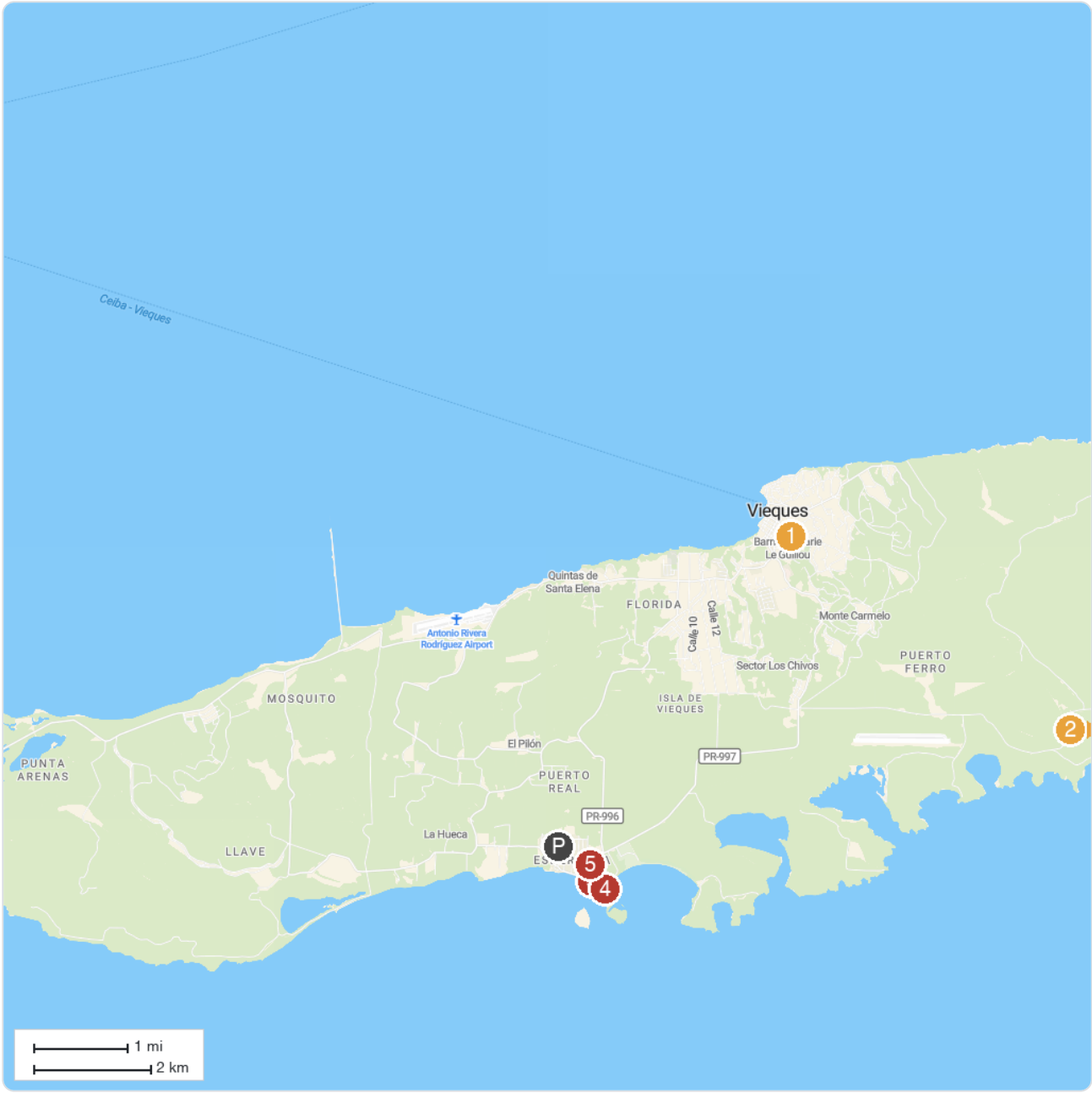
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Book vehicle rentals months ahead. UTVs, golf carts, and Jeeps sell out daily in high season. Without one, wildlife refuge beaches are inaccessible.
- Bio-bay is night-only. Mosquito Bay tours require darkness — only possible if your ship stays overnight or departs after 9 PM.

Vieques Island, Puerto Rico, USA — 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 El Fortín de Conde Mirasol Museum | Historic fort museum with island history and art exhibits. | 2 Playa La Plata | Secluded white sand beach perfect for swimming and relaxation. |
| 3 Esperanza Beach | Lively beach in Esperanza village, great for swimming and dining. | 4 El Cayo Beach | Tranquil beach known for clear waters and snorkeling opportunities. |
| 5 Mosquito Biobay Tours | Kayak tours exploring the world's brightest bioluminescent bay. | P Cruise port / terminal | |