

PORT INFORMATION



CHERBOURG



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In Case Of Emergency:

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Normandy 50100 France
Website: www.worms-sm.com
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Port Adventures:

Check your ticket for the correct meeting time and location for your tour. Your Port Adventures Team will direct you to transportation.

Take Ashore

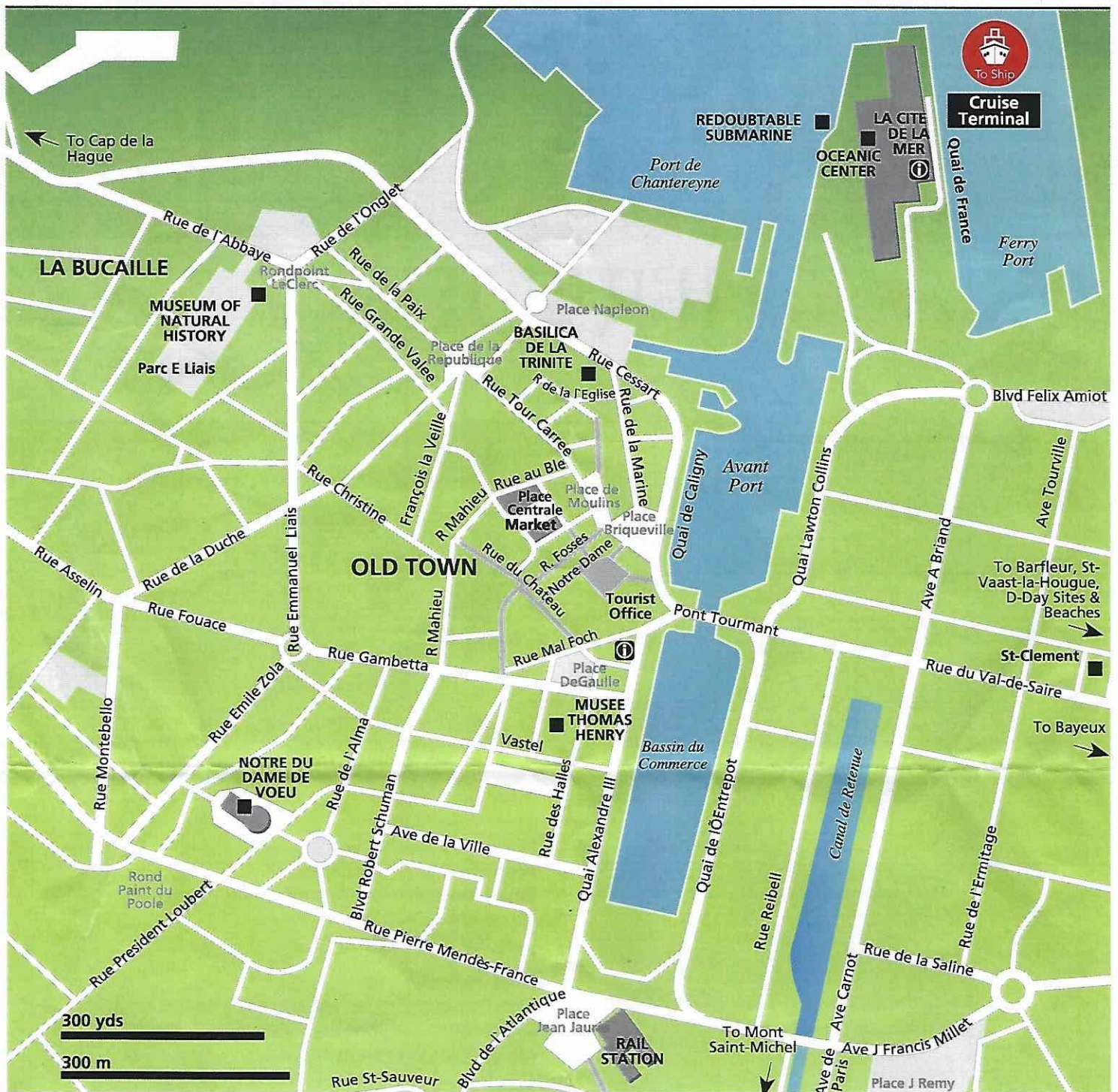
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Travel Safety Tips

As in any tourist destination, you will want to take some basic precautions to make the most of your time ashore.

- Be aware of your surroundings, especially in crowded areas.
- Avoid wandering from the main shopping and tourist areas into unfamiliar territory. If venturing out independently, have a plan, use only licensed taxi operators.
- Leave your valuables in your stateroom safe and avoid carrying large amounts of cash. Exercise caution when using ATMs.
- Cameras and handbags should be carried close to your body or concealed out of sight. People who carry handbags or backpacks are particularly vulnerable to purse snatchers on scooters.
- When going ashore, each adult and child is required to carry a passport or other government-issued photo ID. – Note: Some ports may require Guests to carry passports ashore.
- In general, use the same level of precaution you would use in any tourist destination.

Please remember that while in a foreign country, you are subject to its laws.



CHERBOURG OVERVIEW

Cherbourg is a city in France, situated northeast of Paris in the Normandy region. An important city for its harbor and its proximity to French cities of note, it is also a busy deep-water seaport, naval base and maritime industrial center. An exploration of this dynamic port city offers natural beauty and impressive man made landmarks, from spectacular sea vistas and verdant hills to a massive sea wall that rims its harbor and a star-shaped fort that guards it. Once known as the "Gateway to America," Cherbourg brims with activity on both the land and the sea.

Though tranquil and idyllic today, the area that is now Cherbourg has a fascinating history of conflict and conquest. Even before World War II, the city saw a string of invasions. Over the centuries, it has been home to different groups of people, including Celts, Gauls and Romans. Saxons have also invaded the area, followed by the Franks and Vikings, many of whom settled there. With the Norman conquest of England in 1066 AD, Cherbourg came under English rule for nearly 300 years. In the 13th century, it became part of the Kingdom of France, later to change rule over and over again during the Hundred Years War. In all, Cherbourg changed hands between England and France 6 times, until 1540 AD, when it became a permanent part of France.

In WWII, the Germans invaded and held the city until 1944, when it was liberated by the Allied forces. Its deep-sea harbor immediately distinguished it as an important Allied supply port. Today, the military aspect of the town is a thing of its past, and what visitors will find is a paradisaical retreat where history is preserved in its museums and beauty, and culture is on display in its streets. "Très magnifique!" is what you'll exclaim when you visit the magnificent port city of Cherbourg.

Capital: Paris

Location: North of the Cotentin Peninsula, northwestern France

Taxi: Taxis can normally be found.

Currency: Euro

Language: French is the official language of Cherbourg.

Population: 37,131 (2012)

Banking: Many banks are closely located in town.