



Credit: Greg Martin Cornwall Live

Penzance



Nestled in a corner of glorious Mount's Bay, our town has long been a hidden gem for well-informed travellers. Visit Penzance and you'll encounter all the salt-flecked history you'll expect from its famous name - the piratey cobbled alleyways, the bobbing boats and dockside taverns - along with a vibrant local scene.

At last you'll feel like you've discovered authentic Cornwall.

Plot a course along the mid-eighteenth century Chapel Street, exploring independent antiques and art shops as you go. Admire the pleasingly flamboyant Grade-I listed Egyptian House, a rare example of Egyptian Revival architecture from the 1830s which sticks out like an ornate sore thumb amid the brickwork.

The iconic art deco Jubilee Lido is the largest seawater pool in the UK, and was opened in 1935, the year of King George V's Silver Jubilee. Community-run and community-owned since 2017, it boasts a vast but chilly main pool, a learners' pool, and a thermally heated smaller pool. Perhaps you'll have time for a dip?

Penzance promenade stretches the seafront between The Jubilee Pool and Newlyn and is an idyllic place to stroll, roller skate, jog or just sit and people watch. Dating back to the 1800's the Promenade gives breath taking views of Mounts Bay and Newlyn. There are occasions when it rains in Cornwall and Irish painter Norman Garstin captured such a day in his painting "The Rain it Raineth Every Day" which was to become an iconic painting of Penzance in 1889 - capturing the grandeur, splendour and light of the Victorian Promenade, come rain or shine. That very same painting now resides in Penlee Gallery at Penlee House a few hundred metres from its Promenade inspiration. Penlee Gallery houses an impressive art collection with works by members of the famous Newlyn School.

Continuing along the promenade towards Newlyn we reach the Newlyn Art Gallery. For more than 125 years, the gallery has been bringing the best in contemporary art to audiences in the South West. In 2007 the gallery was redeveloped and they opened a second venue, The Exchange, in Penzance.

Passengers can join a shore excursion to many of the nearby attractions including St Michaels Mount, the Minack Theatre, Lands End and St Ives. Penzance has created fortunes, weathered storms and inspired groundbreaking ideas and looks forward to welcoming you.

Experience Penzance

St Michaels Mount

Link: <https://www.stmichaelsmount.co.uk/>

Lands End

Link: <https://landsend-landmark.co.uk/>

St Ives

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Link: <https://www.stives-cornwall.co.uk/>

Penlee House

Link: <https://www.penleehouse.org.uk/>

Jubilee Pool

Link: <https://jubileepool.co.uk/>

Minack Theatre

Link: <https://www.minack.com/minack-theatre>

Newlyn Art Gallery

Link: <https://newlynartgallery.co.uk/>

Wildlife spotting & Mermaid Pleasure Trips

Two fabulous options. Marine Discovery: marinediscovery.co.uk Mermaid Pleasure Trips: cornwallboattrips.com

Link: <https://www.cornwallboattrips.com>

Poldark exploration

Visit the locations made famous by the Poldark series

Link: <https://www.visitcornwall.com/poldark/blog/poldark-film-locations>

World Heritage Cornish Tin Mines

One of the largest preserved mine sites in the country and a Cornish Mining World Heritage Site. Image: Wheal Coates, credit Matthew Jessop.

Link: <https://www.visitcornwall.com/things-to-do/attractions/west-cornwall/lands-end/geevor-tin-mine>

Port information

Time zone : GMT

Operational hours : 24hrs

Berth Enquiries / Reservations : penzanceharbour@cornwall.gov.uk

Latitude & Longitude : 50.1177° / -5.52796°

Prevailing weather : South westerly

Anchorage position : 50.1112° / -5.5175°

Vessel length : Alongside (up to 90m Lighthouse Pier, 70m Dock Basin) / Anchorage unlimited

Vessel width : Lighthouse Pier unlimited / Wet Dock 12m / Anchorage Unlimited

Air draft restrictions : None

Vessel draft : Wet Dock & Lighthouse Pier 4.5m, (can be increased depending on tide). Anchorage charted at 11m

Depth on berth : Wet Dock 5.5m / Lighthouse Pier 6m (subject to tide)

Largest cruise ship to call : Le Dumont-d'Urville (Anchorage) / Hebridean Princess (Lighthouse Pier)

VTS channel : 12

Max ship dimension : Alongside (up to 90m Lighthouse Pier, 70m Dock Basin) / Anchorage unlimited

Pilotage : Not compulsory

Tugboat : Available from Falmouth on request

Security facilities : ISPS compliant

Gangway : Granite steps from tender / Vessel to supply if alongside Lighthouse Pier or Wet Dock.

Fresh water : Alongside only

Power supply : No

Fuel supply : No

Hot works/painting/lifeboats : Yes

Waste handling : By arrangement

Passenger facilities

Passenger terminal : No

Internet access : No

Currency exchange : Yes

Telephones : Yes

Mailbox : Yes

Taxi rank : At railway station

Distance to railway station : 0.5 mile

Distance to airport : Newquay 41 miles & Penzance Heliport 2 miles or Lands End 9 miles(for Isles of Scilly)

Banks / ATM machines : Yes

Restaurants / cafes : Good variety

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