



With competitive rates and anchorage in a protected natural harbour, easy pilotage and a short transfer time with safe access for passengers onto a dedicated pontoon, Torquay is becoming an increasingly popular tender port for cruise calls. In addition, this UNESCO Global Geopark has an abundance of quality excursions available ranging from golf and coastering to wine tasting and heritage tours.

Situated on the sheltered South Devon coast, Torquay is the gateway to the popular English Riviera and birthplace of crime writer Agatha Christie. The area is rich in maritime history and with two piers, three harbours, 22 beaches and two marinas, life in the English Riviera revolves around the sea.

Home to quintessential English picturesque villages and quaint fishing harbours, you will find cafes and restaurants offering traditional fish and chips and the world-renowned delicious Devon cream tea. The area has more visitor attractions than any other UK seaside resort. These include museums, historic houses, beautiful gardens and one of the finest heritage steam railways in Europe.

Pilotage in Tor Bay is straightforward and uncomplicated. It is an open bay, with the anchorage half a mile off the harbour. Passengers are in the heart of the town as soon as they disembark and only have to walk a few metres to reach the harbourside and town centre shops.

A sightseeing bus is within walking distance and local buses and taxis are outside the security fence for quick and easy access for passengers. A 'hop 12' public transport bus is also in easy reach and tours the whole of the English Riviera. There is a large area available for excursion coaches to line up on the quayside.

Visitors are greeted by a cruise welcome team, made up of professionals including the ceremonial mayor in his full regalia, all aimed at providing a personal touch. Comprehensive visitor attraction and travel information is provided for the independent day tripper. Cruise call welcomes are deemed to be extremely important and are organised to ensure a seamless service for passengers and staff.

Top Five Facts About Torquay

1. Torquay is part of the English Riviera UNESCO Global Geopark
2. Torquay is the birthplace of Agatha Christie
3. More attractions than any other resort in the UK
4. TripAdvisor awarded Torquay top England seaside destination in 2014 and 2015
5. Home of the famous TV series Fawlty Towers!

Port Info

Time Zone : GMT

Operational Hours : May-Sept 07:00-21:00 Oct-April 08:00-17:00

Latitude & Longitude : 50°27.48N 003°31.55W

Prevailing Weather : SW

Berth Information : Tender transfer to pontoon

Air Draft Restrictions : None

Vessel Draft : 9.0m
Depth at anchor : 10m BCD
Largest ship to call : MV Artania 1200 Passengers. 230.61 m LOA. Draught 7.8m.
VTS - Channel : 14
Pilotage : Compulsory
Tugboat : Available on request
Security Facilities : ISPS compliant
Fresh Water : On request via shipping agents
Power Supply : No
Fuel Supply : No
Hot works / painting/ lifeboats : On application
Waste Handling : On application

Facilities

Cruise Terminal Building : No
Currency Exchange : Within 1 mile
Internet Access : Yes
Telephones : Yes
Mailbox : Yes
Taxi Rank : Yes
Distance to Railway Station : 1.2 miles / 1.9km
Distance to Airport : 26 miles / 41.8 km
Banks / ATM Machines : Yes
Restaurant/Café : Yes

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