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Gibraltar, United Kingdom

PORT EXPLORER *and* SHOPPING GUIDE

GENERAL INFORMATION Gibraltar is a peninsula of mainland Spain. A small strip of land, approximately 3 miles long and a mile wide, dominated by “the Rock” which reaches a height of 1,400 ft.

Gibraltar, known in ancient times as one of the two ‘Pillars of Hercules’, juts out into the Mediterranean, separated from Morocco by the Strait of Gibraltar which is just 14 miles across.

The population of this small British colony is approximately 30,000, made up largely of Iberians, North Africans and British.

The climate is typical of the region, summers tend to be warm and dry although there is often a breeze blowing, in winter, temperatures average about 53 degrees fahrenheit and there are frequent rain showers. Easterly winds can give rise to a dense cloud that hangs over the Rock, known as the ‘Levanter’.

In Spring a profusion of wild flowers can be seen on the upper slopes of the rock, which is now secured as a nature reserve.

HISTORY In 711 A.D. Gibraltar was captured by a Moorish Chief known as Tarik Ibn Zeyad and it became known as Gibel Tarik (Tarik’s Mountain), from which the name Gibraltar was derived. The Moors brought with them the Islamic faith and, with the exception of a few brief interludes when the Spanish won control of the region, Gibraltar remained Islamic for almost 700 years.

In 1462 the Moors were conquered and this began a period of Spanish rule which lasted for 242 years, during which time the Spanish fortified the Rock and used it as a naval base.

During the Wars of the Spanish Succession, the British and the Dutch were in support of the Austrians, and in 1704 they landed on Gibraltar, seizing control. In 1713, nine years later, under the Treaty of Utrecht, Gibraltar became a British colony, and has remained so ever-since.

Gibraltar played an important part in both World Wars but, its location made it an important, strategic naval base for the Allied Forces during WWII.

In the 1960’s Spain, once again, laid claim to Gibraltar and the United Nations made a ruling for decolonization. However, the British Government refused to comply, unless it be the wish of the people of Gibraltar. A referendum was held and the people voted over-whelmingly to remain under British control. Initially Spain placed Gibraltar under siege, but more recently sanctions against the colony have been eased.

SHORE EXCURSIONS To make the most of your visit to Gibraltar we suggest you take an organized Shore Excursion. For Information concerning tour content and pricing, consult the Shore Excursion Order Form or contact the onboard Shore Excursion Desk. When going ashore, be advised to take with you only necessary items and secure any valuables onboard.

LOCAL CUSTOMS Bargaining: In some stores, such as the electronic stores on Main Street, it might be possible to bargain.

Tipping: A service charge may be included in a restaurant bill, if not, 10% is a good guideline.

LOCAL CUISINE AND DRINK SPECIALTIES The flavor here is international, but following the British tradition, try Steak and Kidney Pie or Shepherd’s Pie, a dish of minced lamb, topped with mashed potato. Yorkshire Pudding is another favorite, a batter mixture, cooked and served as an accompaniment to Roast Beef.

Visit a local pub and try a pint of Ale, British style, alternatively there are plenty of quaint tea shops. Bottled water is recommended.

LOCAL CURRENCY The unit of currency in Gibraltar is the Pound (GIP), and Gibraltar and British currencies coexist. Notes are available in denominations of 5, 10, 20, and 50. Use as much local currency as possible before leaving, as it may be difficult to exchange GIP outside Gibraltar.

POST OFFICE AND TELEPHONE FACILITIES The Post Office is located on Main Street.

There are limited telephone facilities in the pier terminal.

TOURIST INFORMATION The Tourist Information Office is located at Duke of Kent House, Cathedral Square. There is also a tourist information kiosk within the cruise ship terminal.

TRANSPORTATION A limited number of taxis are usually available on the Pier. Fares are generally metered but for hourly rentals fares should be negotiated before departing. There is also a local taxi shuttle that will transport visitors to town for a nominal fee. The Cable Car to the top of the Rock and the Ape’s Den is located at Alameda Gardens.



SEE the SIGHTS

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ST. MICHAEL'S CAVE - Situated at approximately 900 ft. above sea level, in the upper reaches of the Rock, incorporates several limestone caverns, the largest of which is used for concerts due to its natural acoustic qualities.
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THE APE'S DEN - On Old Queens Road, on the side of the Rock, is the home of the Barbary Apes. The Apes are a breed of tail-less monkeys, from Morocco, and Gibraltar is the only place in Europe where such animals may be found living wild. It is said that 'as long as the Apes remain, so will the British'.
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EUROPA POINT - The most southern tip of the peninsula and provides views across the Strait to Morocco. It is said to be the point at which the Atlantic meets the Mediterranean and a Light House is positioned here.
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MOORISH CASTLE - Situated on Willis Road, a relic of the Moorish occupation, dating from the 13th century. Closed to the public, it is possible to walk on the walls.
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THE GREAT SIEGE TUNNELS - This network of tunnels face the north of the peninsula and the Spanish border. They were blasted out of the rock as part of a defense strategy during the 1779 – 1783 Siege.
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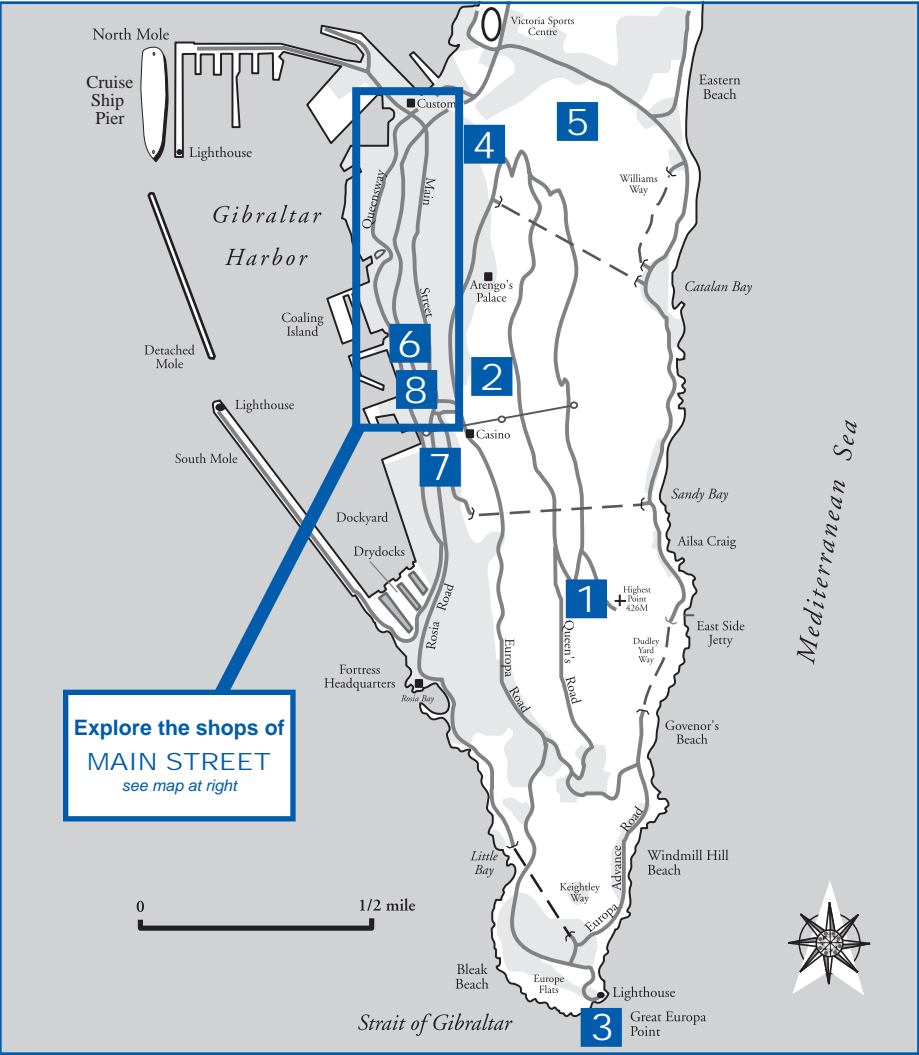
GIBRALTAR MUSEUM Is located on Bomb House Lane, provides an insight to the Rock's history and development. Built over an ancient Moorish Bath House that has been excavated and is on display, it also contains various memorabilia associated with the Great Siege of 1779 – 1783.
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ALAMEDA GARDENS - Located next to the Parade Ground, they contain a variety of tropical and sub-tropical species. From here a cable car operates to the Ape's Den and to the top of the Rock and offers fantastic views.
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GOVERNOR'S RESIDENCE - Located on Main Street, this was once a convent of the Franciscan Order. The King's Chapel, next to the Governor's Residence, contains the colors of the British regiments.

Gibraltar, United Kingdom

SHOP MAIN STREET!



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COHEN AND MASSIAS - 4 Locations
Gibraltar's Reputable Jewellers. Closed on Saturdays and Sundays.
A - ICC, 2 Main Street • Major Brands: Cartier, Chimento, H.Stern, Longines and TAG Heuer • Fashion Brands: Links of London, Nomination and Tous Watches
B - 52 Main Street (The Gold Shop) • Major Brands: Longines, Kissing Diamonds, Swarovski and TAG Heuer • Fashion Brands: Folli Follie, Lovelinks and Nomination
C - 143 Main Street • Major Brands: Cartier, Chimento, IWC, Jaeger LeCoultre, Longines, Panerai, Swarovski and TAG Heuer • Fashion Brands: Danish Design, Links of London, Hot Diamonds and Toy Watches • Diamond Specialists: Widest selection and Unique pieces.
D - 142 Main Street • Fashion Brands: Folli Follie, Giorgio Martello, Hot Diamonds, Lovelinks, Spinning Jewellery.
- B

JUST DIAMONDS - 15 Main Street
Loose Certified Diamonds mounted same day. Specialists in: Fancy Black, Yellow & Blue Diamonds; Eternity, Trilogy, 5 stone & Cocktail Rings, Tennis Bracelets, Diamond Studs & Hoops & Platinum; Pearl, Tanzanite, Ruby, Emerald, Sapphire Jewellery set with Diamonds. GIA Gemmologist provides insurance valuations for personal jewellery & free gift with every purchase. Also feature certified pre-owned Rolex watches.
- C

COSMOS - 35 Main Street
Digital Cameras & Camcorders: Canon, Nikon, Pentax, Panasonic, Fuji, Olympus, Sony, Casio, Praktica & Sanyo. Binoculars: Nikon, Zeiss & Steiner. TV & DVD Players: Toshiba, Sony & Panasonic. Game consoles: Playstation, Nintendo & Xbox. Show your shopping map and receive a cruise discount. Buy a digital camera and receive a free 2GB memory card.
- D

RADHIKA JEWELS & TIME - 60 Main Street
Major Watch Brands: Gucci, Movado, Technomarine, Zeno Basel – Carriers of Clogau Gold Jewelry – Certified Solitaire Diamonds in all shapes and sizes 1ct to 8ct – Certified Colombian Emerald Jewelry as well as other Precious Stones – Mark Henry Alexandrite - Pink Gold with Diamonds, Men's Diamond collections, Fancy Colour Diamonds – Contemporary Designs in 18kt gold and platinum – Insurance Valuations Provided.
- E

ESSARDAS - 64 Main Street
Gibraltar's oldest Jeweller since 1918. Official Retailers of Pandora Jewellery, Thomas Sabo, and Orquidea Pearls. Watch brands include Hugo Boss, Michel Herbelin, Rotary, Accurist, Seiko and Citizen. Experts in Masonic Jewellery. Huge Range of Diamond & Gemstone Jewellery. Specialist Same Day Cleaning, Repair & Rhodium services provided.
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CARLOS - 87-91 Main Street
Gibraltar's leading Photographic and Electronics store since 1934: Extensive range of Cameras, Computers, Binoculars, Mobile Phones, Games & Camcorders. All Leading Brands including: Apple, Nikon, Sony, Canon, Panasonic, Toshiba, Samsung, Sigma, Olympus, Tamron, Fuji, Pentax, Casio, Leica, Zeiss, Steiner, HP, Dell, Nintendo, Nokia, Blackberry & HTC. Receive a free gift with purchase over £100. Buy a digital camera and receive a free 2GB memory card.
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CROWN JEWELS - 105 Main Street
Diamond and Gemstone Jewellery specialists. Top Grade AAAA Tanzanite including unique stones up to 15ct. Quality Emeralds, Rubies, Sapphires, Pearls, Opals, Aquamarine, Topaz and Amethyst set in Italian 18kt gold. Stockists of Circle of Life Jewelry & Diamond Crosses. Large Selection of Gents Jewellery - Prices from £100 & free gift with every purchase.
- H

TOUS - 121 Main Street
More than 350 stores worldwide in 42 countries. Fashion Jewellery: Silver, Gold, Diamonds & Gemstones for Men, Women & Children. The ideal store for purchasing gifts with a wide range of accessories, including handbags, watches, fragrances & sunglasses. Special promotion Pearl Bracelets from £25 - Certificate of Authenticity provided with purchases.
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JEWELS & GEMS - 122 Main Street
Retailers of Thomas Sabo Jewellery including the Disney Charm Collection. Super prices on Seiko Kinetic, Citizen Eco-Drive & Swiss 18kt Gold Watches. Majorcan Pearls. Fantastic deals on Diamond Jewellery: Solitaires, Wedding Bands, Eternity Rings, Tennis Bracelets, Tanzanite, Sapphires, Rubies and Emeralds. Prices from £100 & free gift with every purchase.
- J

BANG & OLUFSEN - 152 Main Street
The most prestigious Hi-Tech Electronic equipment in the world. Stereo Equipment includes entertainment systems, hi-tech equipment and televisions and Beovision systems. We ship worldwide and products are adapted to your country's standards.
- K

GALAXY - 175 Main Street
The one stop shop which offers all your electronic needs from Camcorders to Professional Photographic Equipment. Products such as Canon, Nikon, Sony and Sigma are just some of the brands we carry. Come check us out and get a free gift with your purchase. Don't miss out, come visit us today. Buy a digital camera and receive a free 2GB memory card.
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JASONS - 280 Main Street
The largest collection of Lladro figurines and Lalique ornaments, jewellery and perfumes, Majorica pearls and handset diamond jewellery. Enter your name at the store for a raffle to win a Pearl Necklace.

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