

# DESTINATION SERVICES

## TARANTO, ITALY



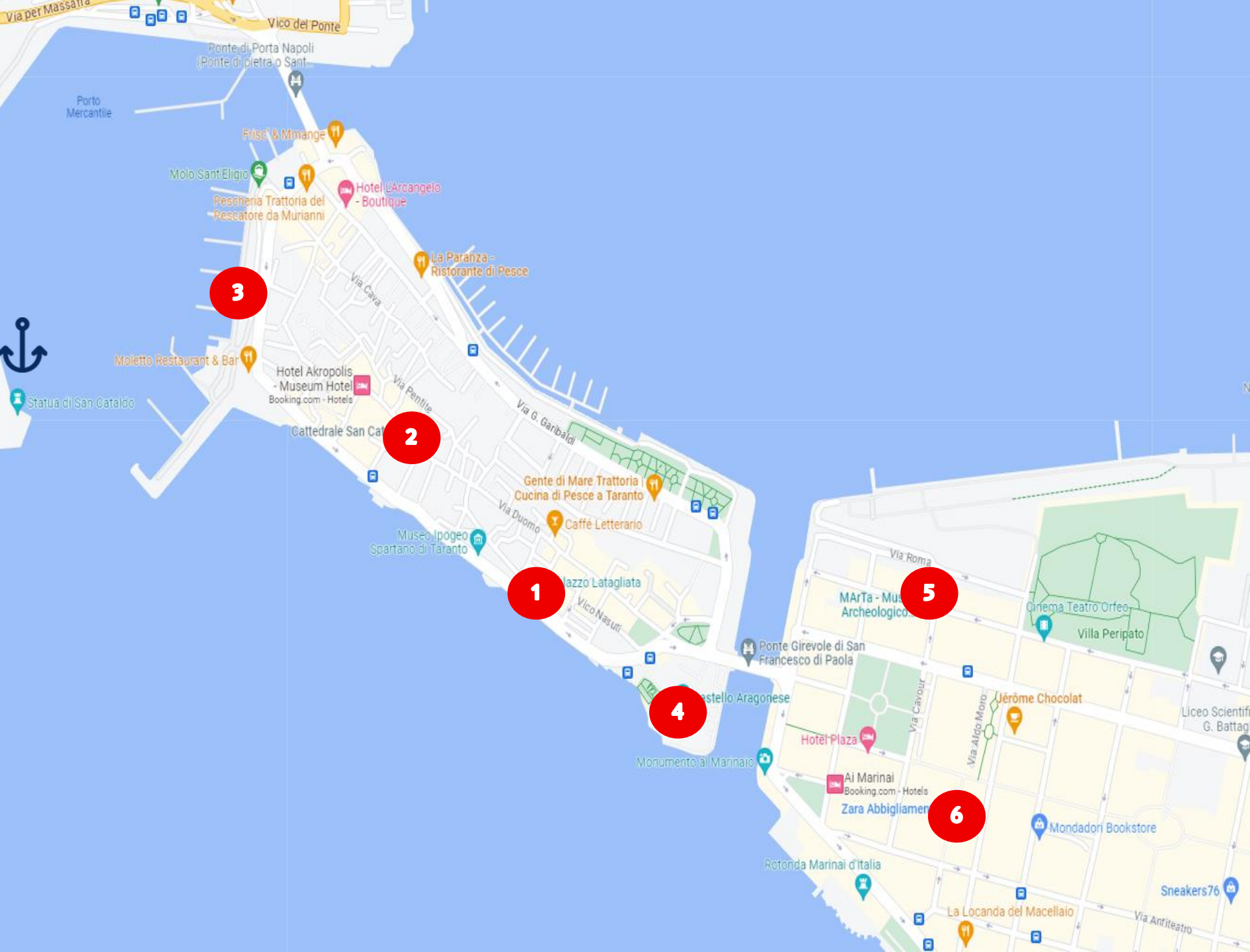
### Ship's Location

1. Shuttle Drop Off / Pick Up
2. St Catald's Cathedral
3. Marina
4. Aragonese Castle
5. Archaeological Museum
6. Town Centre

Distance to the town: 20 minute drive via the port ran shuttle bus or taxi

For more information please see the team at Destination Services

Source- [google.co.uk/maps](https://www.google.co.uk/maps)



# EXPLORE ASHORE TARANTO



**LOCAL CURRENCY:**  
EURO



**LANGUAGE SPOKEN:**  
ITALIAN



**PHOTO ID:**  
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## AT A GLANCE

Taranto is surrounded by a natural harbour so this city and seafood go hand in hand – it's particularly well-known for oysters and mussels. The historical old town spreads over an island, while the new town is all about sleek and stylish palm-lined avenues.

The port of Taranto is a commercial port & is located around 3km away from the city centre. It is forbidden to walk through the port therefore the port authorities will be operating a shuttle bus service for guests wishing to go ashore independently. The shuttle service will be running throughout the day with the drop off point being Piazza Castello which is approximately a 3 minute walk from the city centre. Buses will be running approximately every 20 minutes and costs 4 Euros.

Alternatively, taxis can be found in the outside of the port gates and they usually charge 1€ per minute based on the travel distance. You may find that taxi services are metered but it is always best to double check the fare prior to departing.

## DON'T MISS OUT ON

**Castello Aragonese:** With over 3000 years of history, the huge waterfront Castello Aragonese stands where several battlements once stood. There has been a huge effort to excavate the surrounding grounds to bring this history back to life.

**Alberobello:** Alberobello has a real claim to fame as a UNESCO heritage site declared in 1996. Its white washed stone huts with cone shaped roofs provide an excellent opportunity for some unique pictures. It is approximately a 50 minute drive to Alberobello.

**National Archaeological Museum of Taranto:** This museum houses artefacts from across southern Italy dating all the way back to the Palaeolithic.

**Beach:** Lido Bruno is a popular beach destination and is just one of many beaches that make up the beautiful coastline. There are bars and restaurants close to the beach front. It's approximately a 20 minutes drive.

## EXCURSION OF THE DAY

**Trulli Of Alberobello:** The sleepy Puglian town of Alberobello has one serious claim-to-fame, and you'll learn all about it on this trip. The attraction in question is the town's iconic Trulli – a collection of whitewashed houses with conical stone roofs. It's not uncommon to see them dotted around the region, but Alberobello has entire neighbourhoods filled with these quirky little buildings. They're so important, that UNESCO declared the Trulli a World Heritage Site in 1996. Your guide will lead you through the narrow lanes while telling you about their history, before finishing up at St Antonio – the only Trulli-style church in the world. At the end of your tour, you'll have a bit of time to look around at your own leisure.

## PORT MAPS

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## JUST SO YOU KNOW

As with all tourist destinations, pick-pockets can operate in crowded areas so please be mindful of your possessions.

If you are visiting religious sites in Italy, shoulders and knees need to be covered.

Expect queues on the port run Shuttle Bus during peak times.