

Latakia Port

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About Latakia Port:

- It is the principal port of **Syria**.
- It is located in the Eastern part of the **Mediterranean coast**.
- This port exports bitumen and asphalt, cereals, cotton, fruit, eggs, vegetable oil, pottery, and tobacco.
- It consists of an extensive agricultural hinterland producing abundant crops of tobacco, cotton, cereal grains, and fruits.
- **Other industries:** Cotton ginning, vegetable oil processing, tanning, and sponge fishing are local industries present in this port city.

Key facts about the Mediterranean Sea

- It is an **intercontinental sea** that is bordered by the continent of Europe in the north, by Asia in the east, and by Africa in the south.
- In the west, the Mediterranean Sea is connected to the **Atlantic Ocean** via the narrow **Strait of Gibraltar**.

- In the extreme northeast, it is connected to the Black Sea via the Dardanelles Strait, the Sea of Marmara, and the Bosphorus Strait.
 - The **Mediterranean Sea** is also connected to the Red Sea via the Suez Canal in the southeast.
 - **Bordering Countries:** 22 countries and one territory (Gibraltar – a British Overseas Territory) have coasts on the Mediterranean Sea.
 - **Rivers:** Ebro, Rhone, Po, Nile, Tiber, etc drain into this sea.
 - **Islands:** **Corsica**, Crete, Cyprus, Chios, Euboea, Lesbos, Mallorca, Rhodes, **Sicily**, and **Sardinia** are present in this sea.
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Q1: What is a Port of Call?

It is an intermediate stop for a ship on its scheduled journey for cargo operation or transporting supplies or fuel. It is a port where a ship stops except its home port.

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