



# SYDNEY

Sydney is Australia's most famous city, with the majestic Sydney Opera House, the impressive steel arch of the Sydney Harbour Bridge, the sparkling waterways and the white sands of Bondi Beach. Beneath this glittering surface Sydney has many more enchanting layers to discover. This beautiful cosmopolitan city celebrates its cultural diversity and heritage, and passion for arts and sports. A temperate climate makes Sydney spectacular at any time of the year, and the city's friendly, casual attitude keeps visitors coming back Down Under for more!













# ESSENTIAL INFORMATION



Sydney is a clean, safe modern city with a sophisticated infrastructure to service your needs.

### AIRPORT

Sydney Kingsford Smith International Airport is the oldest continually operated commercial airport anywhere in the world. It's located on northern shores of Botany Bay.

### TRANSPORT

Suburban trains operated by Sydney Trains (www.sydneytrains.info) depart frequently from Domestic and International terminal train stations.
Local buses - the 400 bus to Bondi Junction leaves from outside the international terminal (T1) and domestic terminal (T3).

•Shuttle Buses to the city can be booked inside the terminals.

•Taxis are available outside all terminals.

•Rental Cars are available at all terminals.

•The car park is free if exiting before 15 minutes.

Airport Drive, Mascot, Sydney NSW 2020 +61 2 9667 9111

# MEDICAL CARE AND ALL NIGHT PHARMACIES

Kings Cross Travellers Clinic

•13 Springfield Ave, Potts Point, NSW 2011

- •Phone: +61 2 9358 3066
- •Hours: Monday-Friday 9am-1pm &2-6pm,
- Saturday 10am-noon
- •www.travellersclinic.com.au

St Vincent's Hospital (24hr emergency) •Cnr. Victoria &Burton Streets, Darlinghurst, NSW 2011

- •Phone: +61 2 8382 7111
- www.svh.stvincents.com.au

Sydney Hospital &Sydney Eye Hospital (24hr emergency)

- •8 Macquarie Street, Sydney, NSW 2000
- •Phone: +61 2 9382 7111
- www.sesahs.nsw.gov.au/sydhosp

**Travel Doctor** 

- •Level 7, 428 George Street, Sydney, NSW 2000
- •Phone: +61 2 9221 7133;

•Hours: Monday – Wednesday and Friday 9am-5pm, Thursday 9am - 8pm, Saturday 9am-12.30pm •www.traveldoctor.com.au

Pharmacy Guild of Australia +61 2 9467 7100 www.afterhoursinfo.com/sydney/latenightchemists

## PUBLIC TRANSPORT

The Sydney public transport system consists of commuter rail, bus, ferry and light rail. Combined, they can get you virtually anywhere in the metropolitan area.

+61 13 15 00

## www.transportnsw.info

Plan your trip at www.transportnsw.info

## ELECTRICITY

220-240 volts AC

## TELEPHONE

Australian Country Code: +61 Sydney City Area Code: 02 Calling Sydney landlines from overseas: +612 Calling Australian mobiles from overseas: +614 Calling overseas from within Australia: 0011



### POST OFFICE

The main post office in Sydney's city centre is at 1 Martin Place and is open Mondays to Fridays from 8.15am to 5.30pm, and on Saturdays from 10am to 2pm.

1 Martin Place, Sydney, NSW 2000 www.auspost.com.au

#### TAXI

Taxis are a convenient way to get around Sydney. They can be flagged down, found at a taxi rank, or booked on the phone or online.

Taxis Combined Services •Phone: +61 13 33 00 •www.taxiscombined.com.au

Silver Service Fleet •Phone: +61 133 100 •www.silverservice.com.au

Legion Cabs •Phone: +61 131 451 •www.legioncabs.com.au

Premier Cabs •Phone:+61 131 017 •www.premiercabs.com.au

St George Cabs •Phone: +61 132 166 •www.stgeorgecabs.com.au





# TOP THINGS TO DO



Sydney is home to Australia's most iconic attractions, and incredible, unique experiences. Whether you wish to cruise in style on the blue waters of the harbour, scale the Sydney Harbour Bridge, relax on Bondi Beach, see a world-class performance in the World Heritage-listed Sydney Opera House, go whale watching or visit with koalas, it's all yours to enjoy in this splendid city.

# MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ART AUSTRALIA

The MCA is on the edge of Sydney Harbour and is Australia's leading museum dedicated to contemporary art from across Australia and around the world. In the historic Rocks, the MCA has steady stream of exhibitions and events are hosted throughout the year. From established artists to new work by emerging artists in painting, sculpture, video, installation and more, there's something to inspire everyone at the MCA. And there are harbour vistas from the rooftop cafe.

140 George Street, The Rocks, NSW 2000 +61 2 9245 2400 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/the-rocks/attractions/museum-contemporaryart-australia-mca

Open daily from 10am. Closed Christmas Day. Ferry, train or bus to Circular Quay.

## SYDNEY HARBOUR CRUISE

The magnificent harbour is one of Sydney's greatest assets. For splendid views, take a cruise and enjoy one of the world's most beautiful natural harbours. There are dozens of cruises to choose from, starting with the famous Captain Cook lunch or dinner cruises. Public ferries depart from Circular Quay, or you can take a Tall Ship from The Rocks, a whale-watching cruise from Darling Harbour, or sail aboard a catamaran from Rose Bay.

Circular Quay, Darling Harbour, Rose Bay http://www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydne y-city/sydney-harbour/tours

### ART GALLERY OF NEW SOUTH WALES

Established in 1871, the Art Gallery of NSW showcases fine Australian and international modern and contemporary works in expansive, light-filled spaces. The Grand Courts are home to a collection of colonial Australian works and European old masters, while dedicated galleries celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artwork and Asian collections. Regular guided tours are offered in Japanese, Mandarin, Cantonese and Korean.

Art Gallery Road, The Domain, Sydney, NSW 2000 1800 679 278

www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/city-centre/attractions/art-gallery-new-southwales

Open every day 10am - 5pm, except Good Friday and Christmas Day. Open until 10pm every Wednesday.

Train to St James or Martin Place stations Entry to the Gallery is free, temporary exhibitions are ticketed.

## LUNA PARK

Enjoy all the fun of Luna Park, an amusement park on the edge of Sydney Harbour. It was originally built in the 1930s and rides include the fabulous Ferris Wheel, the Tango Train. the Giant Slide, the Space Shuttle and the Big Dipper rollercoaster. There are side shows - the Laughing Clowns, Crazy Crooners and Goin' Fishin' - complete with classic carnival prizes. Treat yourself with hot dogs, fairy floss and fish 'n chips. This iconic landmark is on the State Heritage Register, and has been a family favourite for generations of Australians.



1 Olympic Drive, Milsons Point, NSW 2061 +61 2 9922 6644 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneynorth/surrounds/attractions/luna-park-sydney Opening times vary, check the website for information Ferry from Circular Quay to Milsons Point

### SYDNEY FISH MARKET

Sydney Fish Market at Pyrmont is one of the largest fish markets in the world. Business begins at 5.30am, when seafood buyers arrive to vie for the best of the day's catch - 2,700 crates of fresh seafood. Buy something for the barbecue, or enjoy lunch on the wharf overlooking the water. You can also reserve a behind the scenes tour to see all the action or join a seafood cookery class hosted by one of Australia's leading chefs.

Bank Street, Pyrmont, NSW 2009 +61 2 9004 1100 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/pyrmont/food-and-drink/sydney-fish-market Open daily 7am – 4pm. Closed Christmas Day. Light rail to Fish Market

### MADAME TUSSAUDS SYDNEY

Get up close and personal with over 75 of the world's most iconic celebrities and Australia's very own stars. Celebrities on display include Lady Gaga, Leonardo Di Caprio, Justin Bieber, Kylie Mingoue, Michael Hutchence, Jimmy Barnes, Mark Webber, Nicole Kidman, Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie and many more, along with fascinating facts on every star. Walk along the red carpet and revel in the unique atmosphere of glamour, fame and history at Madame Tussauds Sydney and go on an interactive star-studded journey through the world of music, sport, culture, film and much more.

Aquarium Wharf, Darling Harbour, NSW 2000 +61 2 9333 9240 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/darling-harbour/attractions/madametussauds-sydney Open daily from 9.30am

TARONGA ZOO

Taronga Zoo is a delightful ferry ride across the harbour from Circular Quay. With spectacular harbour views, the award-winning zoo is home to more than 4,000 animals. Kangaroos, koalas, platypus, wombats, wallabies, emus and crocodiles live side by side with gorillas, tigers, snow leopards, bears, chimps, giraffes, zebras and elephants in this zoological garden. The zoo is a must do for families and people of all ages. Don't miss the amazing bird and seal shows.

Bradleys Head Road, Mosman, NSW 2088 +61 2 9969 2777

www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneynorth/mosman/attractions/taronga-zoo Open daily from 9.30am. Closing times vary during winter

Ferry from Circular Quay to Taronga Zoo

# THE SYDNEY OPERA HOUSE

Beautiful against the backdrop of Sydney Harbour, the World Heritage-listed Sydney Opera House is a thriving hub of art, culture and history. As "one of the indisputable masterpieces of human creativity, not only the 20th Century but in the history of humankind," according to a World Heritage report, it attracts millions of visitors from all over the world each year. Experience all that the Sydney Opera House has to offer by taking a guided tour, watching a show, and enjoying a cocktail at Opera Bar at sunset or delicious food in the acclaimed Bennelong Restaurant.

Bennelong Point, Sydney, NSW 2000 +61 2 9250 7250 (guided tours) +61 2 9250 7777 (tickets) http://www.sydney.com/things-to-do/tours/sydneyopera-house-tours www.sydneyoperahouse.com Ferry, bus or train to Circular Quay

WILD LIFE SYDNEY ZOO

Experience an outback animal adventure right in the centre of the city. Walk through different Australian habitats and encounter some of the most loved, feared and unique native animals. Meet the huge crocodile called Rex, say hello to kangaroos, wallabies and emus, encounter cuddly koalas, beautiful butterflies and more! WILD LIFE Sydney Zoo features interactive displays, and daily keeper talks. You can even fly above Rex on the WILD Flight zip-line.

Aquarium Wharf, Darling Harbour, NSW 2000 +61 2 9333 9288

www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/darling-harbour/attractions/wild-life-sydneyzoo

Open daily 9am - 6pm (last admissions at 5pm)

## SYDNEY HARBOUR TALL SHIPS

Step back in time aboard an historic Tall Ship, in the tradition of those sailors who first sailed into Sydney Harbour back in 1788. These restored antique ships come complete with a crew of old salts - your hosts for the day. You are welcome to get involved and help hoist the sails, take a turn steering the ship or simply sit back and relax. For exhilaration and awe-inspiring views, you can scale a mast in the Mast Climb experience.

### Kiosk 3, Wharf 5, Circular Quay, NSW 2000 www.sydney.com/things-to-do/tours/sydneyharbour-tall-ships

Start at Campbell's Cove, The Rocks, near the Circular Quay transport hub.

## SEA LIFE SYDNEY AQUARIUM

SEA LIFE Sydney Aquarium in Darling Harbour is one of the world's largest aquariums, with 650 species and 12,000 animals in six million litres of water. It has two of only five dugongs on display in the world. Go on a journey of amazing discovery through the Tropical Bay of Rays, Discovery Rockpool, Mangrove Swamps, South Coast Shipwreck, Dugong Island, Shark Walk and the stunning ocean tunnel walk through Shark Valley. Aquarium Wharf, Darling Harbour, NSW 2000 1800 199 657 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/darling-harbour/attractions/sea-life-sydneyaquarium Open daily, 9.30 am-7 pm

## BRIDGECLIMB

One of the most exciting ways to experience the Sydney Harbour Bridge is to climb to the top of it. Exhilarating and utterly unforgettable, BridgeClimb gives you the opportunity to walk to the summit of the bridge and enjoy one of the world's most spectacular views, 134 metres (440ft) above the water.

Standing above Sydney Harbour - on the world's largest (but not longest) steel arch bridge - gives an incredible panoramic vantage point of the city, its harbour and waterways, and the dynamic lifestyle it affords locals and visitors alike.

3 Cumberland Street, The Rocks, NSW 2000 +61 2 8274 7777 - Ticket Hotline www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/sydney-harbour/sydney-bridge-climb BridgeClimb Check-in and Sydney Harbour Bridge Visitor Centre is located at 3 Cumberland Street, The Rocks, Sydney

## SYDNEY TOWER EYE

Sydney Tower Eye takes you to the highest point above Sydney for breathtaking 360-degree views of the beautiful harbour city, from white sandy beaches and Pacific Ocean horizon to the World Heritage-listed Blue Mountains.

Upgrade your ticket to include the SKYWALK -Sydney's highest outdoor adventure. It is an exhilarating walk, 268 metres above the harbour city - double the height of the Sydney Harbour Bridge. Sydney Tower also contains 360 Bar and Dining - a revolving restaurant serving Modern Australian cuisine.

100 Market Street, Sydney, NSW 2000 +61 2 9333 9222

www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/city-centre/attractions/sydney-tower-eye City



### MANLY SEA LIFE SANCTUARY

With an abundance of incredible marine life, including cuttlefish, lionfish, sharks, seahorses and octopuses, there is so much to see at Manly SEA LIFE Sanctuary. Manly SEA LIFE Sanctuary is also home to the original Shark Dive Xtreme, where you can scuba dive with sharks, giant stingrays, turtles and thousands of fish - no experience required! And don't miss the little penguins.

West Esplanade, Manly, NSW 2095 1800 199 742 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneynorth/manly/attractions/manly-sea-life-sanctuary Daily 10am - 5.30pm except Christmas Day Ferry from Circular Quay to Manly Wharf





# THE CITY



Sydney is Australia's largest city, home to beautiful beaches such as world-famous Bondi Beach, iconic buildings, historic landmarks, acclaimed restaurants, and a vibrant culture. From the breathtaking views of Sydney Harbour to the tranquillity of the Royal Botanic Garden, the city is a delight for everyone. If you're looking for a holiday adventure, planning a honeymoon, or searching for a fun-filled getaway, Sydney is a great destination.

### SYDNEY HARBOUR

Sydney Harbour is one of the most beautiful natural waterways in the world, with ferries, yachts and tall ships criss-crossing the sparkling blue waters. Aboriginal people have a deep connection with the harbour, dating back at least 50,000 years. Take a ferry from Circular Quay to Manly or Watsons Bay. Cruises depart from the quay and Darling Harbour. You'll also enjoy stretching your legs on delightful walking trails around the harbour foreshore.

www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/sydney-harbour





# EXPLORE & DISCOVER



From enchanting national parks and tranquil gardens to fascinating museums and beautiful beaches, there's always something to explore and see in Sydney. You'll discover world-class attractions and delight in a ferry ride on Sydney Harbour. And many of the best sightseeing activities are free - all you need is a map, comfortable shoes, and your bus, train or ferry fare (you can get an Opal smartcard ticket to cover all three). Enjoy some of the Sydney locals' favourite places to go.

## MUSEUM OF SYDNEY

Built on the site of Australia's first Government House, a stroll from Circular Quay in the city centre, the Museum of Sydney is a fascinating place to explore some of Sydney's dramatic history. The museum uses imaginative and interactive displays, like a miniature First Fleet, offering the visitor a journey back to the moment when the first European eyes set sight on what the First Fleet captain and first governor Arthur Phillip described as "the finest harbour in the world".

Corner of Phillip and Bridge Streets, Sydney, NSW 2000

+61 2 9251 5988

www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/city-centre/attractions/museum-of-sydney Open daily 9.30am-5pm, except Christmas Day and Good Friday Ferry, bus train to Circular Quay

### **ROYAL BOTANIC GARDEN**

The Royal Botanic Garden is an oasis of 30 hectares in the city. Wrapped around Farm Cove, from the Sydney Opera House to Woollomoolooo, the landscaped Garden is in one of Sydney's most spectacular positions and is home to an outstanding collection of plants from Australia and overseas. Wander through the garden, established in 1816, to Mrs Macquarie's Chair, which was carved out of a rock ledge for colonial Governor Macquarie's wife, Elizabeth. To this day, the views she so famously loved, are truly spectacular.

Mrs Macquaries Road, Sydney, NSW 2000 +61 2 9231 8111

www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/city-centre/attractions/royal-botanic-gardensand-the-domain City Centre

Train, bus or ferry to Circular Quay. Train to Martin Place.

### KINGS CROSS

An area rich in diversity, Kings Cross is a true melting pot of travellers, stylish restaurants and inviting bars and cafés, and locals from many walks of life. Bronze plaques honouring famous people and venues in the Cross are set in the pavement on Darlinghurst Road. Fitzroy Gardens contains the El Alamein memorial fountain, which flows like a giant dandelion. Theatres such as SBW Stables complement the nightclub acts. Look for the giant neon Coca Cola sign and people dressed to party, and you'll know you've arrived in the Cross.

Corner of William Street and Darlinghurst Road, Sydney, NSW 2000 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/kings-cross

Train from Town Hall to Kings Cross station

EXPLORE THE ROCKS



Discover Sydney's convict history in the cobbled laneways near the Sydney Harbour Bridge. The Rocks is where Britain began its colony in 1788. This is a picturesque destination, with a maze of sandstone courtyards, workman's cottages, elegant terraces and Sydney's oldest pubs. Discover vibrant weekend markets, theatres, cafés and bars, as well as several of the city's best hotels and restaurants you'll love The Rocks.

The Rocks, NSW 2000 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/the-rocks Train, ferry or bus to Circular Quay

### MANLY FERRY

As a harbour city, Sydney has long relied on these grand old ladies - the Sydney Ferries - to crisscross the sparkling waterways. Take the iconic Manly ferry across the harbour to Manly peninsular and stroll along the Corso to Manly Beach, where the first world surfing championship was held in 1964. Go for a surf, or rent a bike and ride to Fairy Bower and picnic at gorgeous Shelly Beach. Wine and dine at Manly Wharf before taking the ferry back to the city centre.

Wharf 3, Circular Quay, NSW 2000 www.sydney.com/things-to-do/tours/sydney-ferries Departs from Wharf 3, Circular Quay

### SYDNEY HARBOUR BRIDGE

A Sydney icon, and known locally as The Coathanger, the impressive bridge has six million steel rivets and carries rail, bicycle, car, bus and pedestrian traffic across the harbour. It's 134 metres (440ft) from the water to top of the steel arch. The bridge is inspiring to look at, and even more exhilarating to walk across, as many Sydneysiders do, to get to and from work each day. Climb to the summit with BridgeClimb and be stunned by one of the world's most spectacular views.

www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/sydney-harbour/sydney-harbour-bridge Train, ferry or bus to Circular Quay

CHINESE GARDEN OF FRIENDSHIP

Stepping into this fascinating garden in the middle of bustling Chinatown, is like stepping into a haven of tranquillity. The garden combines old world Chinese architectural principles, with an harmonious balance of running waterfalls, wooden bridges, towering willow trees and colourful koi and carp swimming in lagoons dotted with lotus. Visit the Courtyard of Welcoming Fragrance and the Twin Pavilion, then take a jasmine tea in the traditional Chinese Teahouse.

1 Exhibition Place, Darling Harbour, NSW 2000 + 61 2 9240 8888 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/darling-harbour/attractions/chinese-gardenof-friendship

Open daily 9.30am - 5pm

## AUSTRALIAN MUSEUM

Established in 1827 and the first in the country, the Australian Museum has an international reputation in natural history and in indigenous studies, research, community programmes and accessible, innovative exhibitions. View unique and extensive science and cultural collections, multimedia exhibitions of physics and of indigenous Australian culture and native animals. The permanent Dinosaur exhibition features an awe-inspiring collection of skeletons and answers many age-old questions.

6 College Street, Sydney, NSW 2000 +61 2 9320 6000 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/city-centre/attractions/australian-museum Open daily 9.30am - 5pm, except Christmas Day Train to Museum station

HYDE PARK



Australia's oldest park is 16 hectares of beautiful gardens in the heart of the city centre. Replete with 580 exotic and native trees, art works, monuments and water features, Hyde Park is a favourite lunch time spot, and hosts a number of cultural events such as the Night Noodle Markets for Good Food Month each October. Divided by Park Street, the northern end contains the beautiful Archibald Fountain, with its bronze figures from ancient mythology, and a charming avenue of Hill's Fig trees. The southern end features an ANZAC War Memorial and Pool of Reflections.

Elizabeth Street, Sydney, NSW 2000 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/city-centre/attractions/hyde-park Accessible at all times. Trains to St James and Museum stations

### BONDI TO COOGEE COASTAL WALK

There's no better way to enjoy the beauty of the Sydney coastline than from the winding cliff walk between Bondi and Coogee beaches. These paths become a stage for whale watching between May and November, the backdrop for Sculpture by the Sea in October-November, and a year-round vantage point to watch surfers carve up the waves. Take in Aboriginal rock carving at Mark's Park, big surf at Tamarama, snorkelling at the coves of Clovelly and Gordons Bay, and the white sands of Coogee Beach. Stop off at the Bronte café strip along the way and cool off with a refreshing dip in an ocean pool.

Marks Park, Tamarama, NSW 2026 www.sydney.com/things-to-do/nature-andparks/walks/bondi-to-coogee-coastal-walk 333 bus to Bondi Beach, 315 to Coogee Beach

## DARLING HARBOUR

A lively entertainment precinct, Darling Harbour is a 10-minute walk from Town Hall in the city centre. One of Sydney's largest harbourside dining, shopping and entertainment precincts, Darling Harbour enjoys a full calendar of events as well as one of the city's most enchanting gardens - the Chinese Garden of Friendship. You'll also find a zoo, aquarium and a maritime museum. Cockle Bay and King Street Wharf offer funky nightclubs, wine bars and bistros serving fine food and great cocktails.

Darling Harbour, NSW 2000 +61 2 9240 8500 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/darling-harbour

### COCKATOO ISLAND

A short ferry ride from Circular Quay in the city centre is Sydney Harbour's largest island and one of Australia's most fascinating historical sites that's on the World Heritage list. Take an audio tour or self-guided journey and explore the island's convict and ship-building history. Cockatoo Island is the only Sydney Harbour island where you can stay overnight in what Lonely Planet described as "one of the world's most spectacularly located campsites".

Cockatoo Island, Sydney Harbour, NSW 2000 +61 2 8969 2100

www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/sydney-harbour/attractions/cockatoo-island Cockatoo Island is open daily and entry is free Ferry from Circular Quay to Cockatoo Island.

#### CENTENNIAL PARKLANDS

A short bus ride from the city centre, Centennial Parklands contain beautiful gardens, an entertainment quarter, 18-hole golf course, sporting fields, tennis courts, equestrian facilities and Fox Studios, which makes films. About 15,000 trees grow in Centennial Parklands' three parks -Centennial Park, Queens Park and Moore Park. Enjoy a picnic under one of the trees or by a tranquil pond. In Centennial Park there's a cafe and a restaurant, and the EQ Village Markets are open on Wednesdays and Saturdays in Moore Park.



Oxford Street, Centennial Park, 2021 + 61 2 9339 6699 http://www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/innersydney/attractions/centennial-parklands Bus to





# DINING



Sydney's enviable reputation as a world-class dinning destination is built on talented chefs using the freshest local produce and seafood caught daily in the Pacific Ocean. You might hear the term Mod Oz, which is short for Modern Australia - a fresh fusion of Asian and European culinary styles adored by locals and visitors alike. Welcome to foodie heaven! Each year The Sydney Morning Herald Good Food Guide reviews restaurants and awards one, two or three chef's hats to the best it's similar to Michelin stars. Three hats is the top award.

# DOYLES ON THE BEACH

Doyles on the Beach is one of Sydney's best-known seafood restaurants. On the beach at Watsons Bay, with spectacular views toward the city and glorious sunsets, the restaurant has been family operated for more than five generations.

11 Marine Parade, Watsons Bay, NSW, 2030 +61 2 9337 2007

www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneyeast/watsons-bay/restaurants/doyles-on-thebeach-1000466

Ferry from Circular Quay to Watsons Bay

### MOMOFUKU SEIOBO

This is the first Momofuku restaurant established outside of New York City and already a multiaward winner - three chef's hats. David Chang's restaurants are recognised worldwide for innovative food and great service, and for supporting local, sustainable farmers and food purveyors. The tasting menu is constantly changing and the five-seat bar serves a limited menu, too. Reservations are essential.

Level G, The Star, 80 Pyrmont Street, Pyrmont, NSW 2009 +61 2 9777 9000 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/pyrmont/restaurants/momofuku-seiobo-1003567

#### MARQUE

It's fortunate for lovers of fine food that chef Mark Best discovered his passion for cooking, after an early career as an electrician in the gold mines of Western Australia. With two chef's hats, Marque is an intimate, family run restaurant, with Best's innovative French-influenced menu the highlight.

355 Crown Street, Surry Hills, NSW 2010 +61 2 9332 2225 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/innersydney/surry-hills/restaurants/marque-restaurant

## AESOP'S RESTAURANT

A night at Aesop's Restaurant, with views toward the Royal Botanic Garden, is like a Greek island getaway. Seating up to 170 people, the restaurant serves delicious and great value Mediterranean cuisine. After dinner it transforms into a dance floor - replete with Zorba's Dance and spontaneous crockery smashing - where you'll dance the night away.

131 Macquarie Street, Sydney, NSW, 2000 +61 2 9247 5422 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/city-centre/restaurants/aesops-restaurant

MOVIDA SYDNEY





Frank Camorra's funky MoVida Sydney tapas bar was awarded two chef's hats within its first year of opening. Stroll in for a beer and a jamón croquetta at the bar and then move across to a table and share a plate of slow-braised lamb, some patatas a lo pobre, accompanied by some seriously good Spanish red wine.

50 Holt Street, (Cnr. Gladstone Street) Surry Hills, NSW 2010 +61 2 8964 7642 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/innersydney/surry-hills/restaurants/movida-sydney Train to Central Station

### MONOPOLE RESTAURANT AND BAR

Brent Savage and Nick Hildebrandt, of the renowned Bentley in the city, launched Monopole Restaurant and Bar in the heart of Sydney's elegant Potts Point in 2012. Monopole is a chef's hatted restaurant. Brent's unique, award-winning dishes and Nick's incredible list of over 500 rare and boutique wines are worth experiencing, as is the rich dark wood and industrial metal interior and open bar.

71A Macleay Street, Potts Point, NSW 2011 +61 2 9360 4410 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/potts-point-andwoolloomooloo/restaurants/monopole

### PORTEÑO RESTAURANT

The menu at Porteño - awarded two chef's hats comes to you straight from the kitchens of Argentina via the imaginations and culinary artistry of chefs and owners, Ben Milgate and Elvis Abrahanowicz. Authenticity is the order of the day, with the best meats in town prepared front and centre for all to see on a traditional Parilla (barbecue) and Asado (pit of fire). Ask the staff for tips on the exclusively Argentinean wine list.

358 Cleveland Street, Surry Hills, NSW 2010 +61 2 8399 1440

www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/innersydney/surry-hills/restaurants/porteno

### MR WONG

This grand 240-seater is a love letter to the great Cantonese restaurants of Hong Kong. Timeless colonial furnishings - timber floors, bamboo French chairs and slow turning fans - and the Cantoneseinfluenced contemporary Chinese menu of over 60 dishes, have won Mr Wong multiple restaurant awards including two chef's hats.

3 Bridge Lane, Sydney, NSW 2000 + 61 2 9240 3000 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/city-centre/restaurants/mr-wong

### ROCKPOOL BAR & GRILL

Neil Perry's name is highly regarded among lovers of fine food and in the restaurant world with a series of award-winning restaurants in Australia. With two chef's hats, Rockpool Bar & Grill showcases high quality Australian cuisine that's ethically and sustainably sourced. Seafood and beef are the basis of Perry's balanced and harmonious menu, with exquisite Asian influences. Elegant dining in an impressive Art Deco building in the city centre.

66 Hunter Street, Sydney, NSW 2000 +61 2 9252 1888 http://www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydne y-city/city-centre/restaurants/rockpool-bar-andgrill-sydney-cbd

Train to Martin Place or Wynyard stations

### QUAY

Named among the top 50 Restaurants in the World, this multi-hatted award winner is almost suspended over Sydney Harbour, with floor-toceiling windows allowing for breathtaking views. The food is as splendid as the outlook: creativity and quality, textural variety and complexity as well as beautiful plating are all features of chef Peter Gilmore's gastronomical dishes, in which he utilises rare local ingredients. Dining at Quay makes for a truly special occasion.

Upper Level, Overseas Passenger Terminal, The Rocks, NSW 2000 +61 2 9251 5600 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/rocks/restaurants/quay Ferry, train or bus to Circular Quay





## SPICE TEMPLE

Out of the Neil Perry (Rockpool) stable, Spice Temple offers regional Chinese cuisine. Think Sichuan, Yunnan, Hunan, Jiangxi, Guangxi and Xinxiang. There's a whole lot of chilli for those who like it hot, subtlety for those wanting something milder and plenty of spice to boot. The atmosphere is elegant, underground and seductive, with acute attention to design.

10 Bligh Street, Sydney, NSW 2000 +61 2 8078 1888 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/city-centre/restaurants/spice-temple-sydneycbd

Train to Martin Place or Wynyard stations

### SEPIA

With consecutive Good Food Guide Restaurant of the Year awards and three chef's hats, Sepia is a winning combination of Sydney's renowned seafood wholesaler George Costi and chef Martin Benn's sophisticated and surprising technique. Sepia offers five-course and nine-course degustation menus that evolve each week. The menu focuses on all things Japanese (sparked by Benn's many years as head chef at Tetsuya's) plus superb seafood. Deliciously delicate.

Ground Floor, Darling Park, 201 Sussex Street, Sydney, NSW 2000 +61 2 9283 1990 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/city-centre/restaurants/sepia Train to Town Hall station

### ARIA SYDNEY

Owned by chef Matt Moran and renowned restaurateur Peter Sullivan, ARIA is a prestigious chef's hatted restaurant on the edge of Sydney Harbour at Circular Quay. ARIA offers an unparalleled dining experience with striking views, an award-winning menu and extensive wine list, served in an elegant dining room. 1 Macquarie Street, East Circular Quay, Sydney, NSW 2000 +61 2 9240 2255 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/circular-quay/restaurants/aria-sydney Ferry. train or bus to Circular Quay

### 360 BAR AND DINING

360 Bar and Dining is the revolving restaurant high above the city in Sydney Tower, with gorgeous 360-degree views of Sydney and beyond. The sophisticated restaurant has a menu consisting of Modern Australian cuisine, and is the perfect spot for a romantic date.

Westfield Sydney, Level 4, 100 Market Street, Sydney, NSW, 2000 +61 2 8223 3883 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/city-centre/restaurants/360-bar-and-dining

### BALLA

Inspired by modern Milanese cuisine, Balla is the brainchild of renowned restaurateur Stefano Manfredi. Located at The Star, with beautiful views and a menu dedicated to delivering truly authentic Italian cuisine, Balla is the perfect place for preshow dinner and drinks.

Level G, Harbourside, The Star, 80 Pyrmont Street, Pyrmont, NSW, 2009 +61 2 9657 9129 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/pyrmont/restaurants/balla-the-star

# CAFÉ SYDNEY

On the roof of the 19th century Customs House, this restaurant captures the very essence of Sydney dining with spectacular harbour views, an outdoor terrace for fine days and delightful nights, a cocktail lounge, and a relaxed modern interior. The menu features contemporary classics using fresh seasonal produce, with seafood a speciality.



5th Floor, Customs House, 31 Alfred Street, Sydney, NSW 2000 +61 2 9251 8683 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/circular-quay/restaurants/cafe-sydney Ferry, train or bus to Circular Quay

## COTTAGE POINT INN

Take a seaplane and enjoy a bird's-eye view of Sydney before landing on the picturesque Hawkesbury River to dine at this chef's hatted riverside restaurant. Surrounded by the stunning Ku-rin-gai Chase National Park this beautiful location is matched by a menu that strongly supports fresh local produce, with an emphasis on seafood. You can also get a ferry from Palm Beach to Cottage Point Inn.

2 Anderson Place, Cottage Point, NSW 2084 +61 2 9456 1011 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneynorth/hawkesbury/restaurants/cottage-point-inn A private boat or sea plane, or the ferry from Pittwater.

### CHISWICK RESTAURANT

Located in the beautiful neighbourhood of Woollahra in Sydney's east, CHISWICK is a superb casual dining venue co-owned by Matt Moran and Peter Sullivan. With charming floor-to-ceiling French windows, and an open kitchen where chefs prepare dishes to share made from fresh produce straight from the kitchen garden outside - this restaurant is a delight.

65 Ocean Street, Woollahra, NSW 2025 +61 2 8388 8688 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/innersydney/paddington/restaurants/chiswickrestaurant

Train from Town Hall to Edgecliff station

### ICEBERGS DINING ROOM AND BAR

Named after Sydney's iconic swimming club -Bondi Icebergs - that swims in the ocean pool at Bondi Beach, Icebergs Dining Room and Bar is consistently awarded chef's hats. Since opening in 2002, the restaurant's spectacular views, superb cuisine and atmosphere of relaxed elegance have delighted visitors from all over the world. Under the direction of head chef Paul Wilson, the menu focuses on seafood dishes with an Italian flavour.

Level 3/1 Notts Avenue, Bondi Beach, NSW 2026 +61 2 9365 9000 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneyeast/bondi/restaurants/icebergs-dining-room-andbar-bondi-beach Bus 333 from Circular Quay

### EST.

Set within a heritage dining room with soaring white columns, est. is elegant dining at its best. Consistently awarded chef's hats, executive head chef Peter Doyle delivers his delectable contemporary Australian food, executed with French precision. Add excellent service by Sam Di Stefano and a wine list by Franck Moreau MS, and you'll see why est. is one of the city's most impressive restaurants.

Level 1, Establishment, 252 George Street, Sydney, NSW, 2000

+61 2 9240 3000 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/city-centre/restaurants/est

### LONGRAIN

Even waiting for a table in the lounge bar is a pleasure at this chef's hatted restaurant in Surry Hills, near Central Station. After a cocktail or two, move to a communal table in the chic dining room of this spacious, renovated warehouse. The menu is a mouth-watering blend of South-East Asian dishes to share.

85 Commonwealth Street, Surry Hills, NSW, 2010 +61 2 9280 2888

www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/innersydney/surry-hills/restaurants/longrain-sydney Train to Central Station

### JONAH'S AT WHALE BEACH





First opened as a roadhouse in 1929, Jonah's has become a luxury retreat, offering delicious food and opulent accommodation. The views of the Pacific Ocean are spectacular and it's easy to while away the hours on the beautiful outdoor terrace. An outstanding menu of fresh local seafood makes this chef's hatted restaurant well worth the hour's drive north from the city centre. Or you can fly in a seaplane from Rose Bay to Pittwater.

69 Bynya Road, Palm Beach, NSW 2108 +61 2 9974 5599 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneynorth/palm-beach/restaurants/jonahs-whale-beach Bus L90 from Wynyard station, Carrington Street

### THE BRIDGE ROOM

Named the Good Food Guide 2016 Restaurant of the Year, the Bridge Room is the creation of Ross Lusted, who was awarded Good Food Guide Chef of the Year in 2014. He has an innovative style. With three chef's hats, Lusted crafts eclectically inspired dishes using the best seasonal produce, sometimes cooked over charcoal and slow smoked in the Japanese Robata method. With a lightness of touch, Lusted delivers fine flavours. Look out for his unique handmade tabletop pieces – attention to detail is this chef's forte.

44 Bridge Street, Sydney, NSW 2000 +61 2 9247 7000 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/city-centre/restaurants/the-bridge-room Train, ferry or bus to Circular Quay.

## GOLDEN CENTURY SEAFOOD RESTAURANT

An impressive Cantonese palace with its lavish menu of delicious seafood dishes, Golden Century Seafood Restaurant is famous for its live fish, lobsters, crabs and abalone. And it stays open until the early hours of the morning. Busy most nights of the week, it's definitely worth the wait - or make a reservation.

393-399 Sussex Street, city centre, Sydney, NSW, 2000

+61 2 9212 3901

http://www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydne y-city/chinatown-and-

haymarket/restaurants/golden-century-seafoodrestaurant

# LUCIO'S

Established in 1983, the reputation of this Paddington restaurant never falters. With consecutive chef's hats for the exceptional Northern Italian food, plus excellent service and magnificent Australian art lining the restaurant walls (artist John Olsen, who painted Five Bells, designed the menu covers), the passion for food and art of owner Lucio Galletto OAM is fully realised.

47 Windsor Street, Paddington, NSW, 2021 +61 2 9380 5996

www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/innersydney/paddington/restaurants/lucios-italianrestaurant

### TETSUYA'S

Ranked among the world's top restaurants, Tetsuya's has held chef's hats in the Good Food Guide for more than 20 years. The heritage-listed Kent Street restaurant is a temple of restrained chic and refined French-Japanese culinary masterpieces with a degustation menu that constantly evolves in the acclaimed chef Tetsuya Wakada's kitchen. This is a truly impressive dining experience.

529 Kent Street, Sydney, NSW 2000 +61 2 9267 2900 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/city-centre/restaurants/tetsuyas Train to Town Hall station

## SYDNEY FISH MARKET

Sydney Fish Market's six main fish retailers offer Australia's biggest variety of fresh seafood and over 100 species of fish as well as crabs, lobsters, oysters and other succulent seafood. One of the biggest seafood markets in the world, the site also features numerous restaurants, including Peter's Seafood Grill and Doyles, as well as cafés, a bakery, gourmet deli, greengrocer, bottle shop, fishing supplies store, butcher and gift shop. The daily fish auction starts at 5.30 am in the morning.



Bank Street, Pyrmont, NSW 2009 +61 2 9004 1100 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/pyrmont/food-and-drink/sydney-fish-market Daily 7 am to 4 pm Light rail from Central Station to Fish Market stop

# AQUA DINING

Aqua Dining is an elegant restaurant, situated above North Sydney Olympic Pool with spectacular views over the city and the famous Sydney Harbour Bridge. The Modern Australian menu features delicious seafood dishes, and an extensive wine list with over 300 different wines.

Corner of Paul and Northcliff Streets, Milsons Point, NSW 2061 +61 2 9964 9998 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneynorth/surrounds/restaurants/aqua-dining Milsons Point Ferry from Circular Quay to Milsons Point



# BARS, PUBS & NIGHTLIFE



You'll discover plenty of stylish bars, hip venues and cool clubs in Sydney. Near the sparkling waters of Sydney Harbour are bars and pubs with spectacular views of the city's iconic attractions. Enjoy beachside bars with outdoor seating. After sightseeing, you'll appreciate the relaxed, friendly atmosphere of Sydney's eclectic bars and pubs.

### OPERA BAR

Opera Bar has spectacular views of Sydney Harbour and the Sydney Harbour Bridge from the lower concourse of the World Heritage-listed Sydney Opera House. You'll enjoy delicious food prepared by talented chefs at this world-class destination for dining and drinking. Enjoy drinks and dinner before a performance at the Sydney Opera House. In a truly splendid setting, Opera Bar is great fun, with a buzzing atmosphere, any time. And the sunsets are glorious.

Lower Concourse Level, Sydney Opera House, Sydney, NSW 2000 +61 2 9247 1666 http://www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydne y-city/circular-quay/restaurants/opera-bar-circularquay Train, ferry or bus to Circular Quay

**ISLAND BAR** 

Want to lounge in a deckchair, cocktail in hand, enjoying uninterrupted views in the middle of beautiful Sydney Harbour? You can by taking the ferry from Circular Quay to Cockatoo Island for the Island Bar. A great spring and summer escape, the bar is constructed from recycled shipping containers for a funky industrial look that keeps the historical references of the island up to date. Cocktails are imaginative and pizza is wood-fired.

Eastern Apron, Cockatoo Island, Sydney Harbour, NSW 2000 +61 420 220 885 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneynorth/mosman/restaurants/the-island-bar Ferry from Circular Quay or Darling Harbour to Cockatoo Island

### MARBLE BAR

Built in 1893 and preserved in all its opulent glory, the Marble Bar is a delightful Victorian-era bar underneath the Hilton Hotel in the city centre. A hundred tonnes of the best marble in the world were used to build the bar, creating a splendid ambience. The Marble Bar is a great place to enjoy fine Australian wines and beers and classic cocktails and Australian beer. Enjoy live music on Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Level B1, Hilton Sydney, 488 George Street, Sydney, NSW 2000 +61 2 9266 2000 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/city-centre/restaurants/marble-bar-hiltonsydney

Monday to Thursday, 4 pm - 12 am; Friday and Saturday, 4 pm - 2 am; Sunday, 4 pm - 11 pm. Train to Town Hall station

O BAR AND DINING



A stylish escape 47 floors up in the sky, O Bar and Dining's vast circular layout provides 360-degree views of beautiful Sydney and beyond. Located at Australia Square, a landmark building near The Rocks, the ambient light, plush couches and deep leather chairs ensure a night at O Bar is an enchanting experience. There's tapas for sharing, and the delightful cocktail list is based on fragrance and seasonality. On the revolving lower level guests can recline while dining on a Modern Australian menu and enjoying spectacular views.

Level 47, Australia Square, 264 George Street, Sydney, NSW 2000 +61 2 9247 9777 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydney-

city/city-centre/restaurants/o-bar-and-dining Train to Wynyard station

# THE LORD NELSON

Sydney's first boutique brewery and the oldest in Australia, the Lord Nelson is famous for it's awardwinning 100% natural ales. Fermentation occurs at the brewery at the rear of the bar, and the beer is matured in the cellar, then perfectly conditioned before heading straight to the taps on the bar, and into your schooner or pint glass. The pub itself has been restored to its former 1852 glory, revealing a beautiful sandstone facade plus high ceilings, blazing hearths and convict history.

19 Kent Street, The Rocks, NSW 2000 +61 2 9251 4044 http://www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydne y-city/the-rocks/attractions/lord-nelson-brewery Train, ferry or bus to Circular Quay

# PALMER AND CO

Hidden up a laneway with a secret entrance, this swanky underground cocktail bar - beneath the Establishment - has an American-inspired bar menu, with dishes like pastrami on rye and macaroni and cheese, and an incredible list of drinks and cocktails such as the power-packed Prohibition. Bartenders are dressed to the nines in Great Gatsby style, to capture the spirit of the Roaring Twenties. Settle in to a lounge, take in the live music and enjoy the warm glow. Abercrombie Lane, Sydney, NSW 2000 + 61 2 9240 3172 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/city-centre/restaurants/palmer-and-co Monday to Wednesday, 5 pm - 3 am; Thursday, 3 pm - 3 am; Friday, 12 pm - 3 am; Saturday 4 pm - 3 am; Sunday, 5 pm - 3 am Train, ferry or bus to Circular Quay. Train to Wynyard station.

# THE WINE LIBRARY

This small, sophisticated bar is stocked with a veritable library of wines. You can choose from than 500 wines, with a great selection of Australian and international wines. You'll appreciate the casual, cosy seating nestled around the warmly lit bar. Afternoon snacks and predinner drinks are available at the bar, and there is also a separate dining area and a secluded, intimate outdoor oasis.

18 Oxford Street, Woollahra, NSW 2025 +61 2 9360 5686 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/innersydney/paddington/restaurants/the-wine-library Monday to Thursday, 4 pm till late; Friday to Sunday, 12 pm to till late Bus 333 from Circular Quay

## BAXTER INN

Head underground to the candle-lit basement of the Baxter Inn. 360 premium whiskies line the cabinets of this speakeasy-themed drinking den. With thick carpet, jazz and blues, beer on tap, a wine and port cellar, and a whisky for every day of the year - Baxter Inn is more than inviting. To top off the great service, you also get bartenders dinging an old boxing bell and tooting a trumpet at shot time.

Basement, 152 -156 Clarence Street, Sydney, NSW 2000

www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/city-centre/restaurants/the-baxter-inn

Open Monday to Saturday, 4pm - 1am, except Christmas Day, New Year's Eve and New Year's Day Train to Town Hall station

LO LOUNGE



Lo Lounge is on one of the world's longest timber wharves, Woolloomooloo Finger Wharf, and is a splendid place to enjoy delicious food and drinks. Part of the gorgeous Ovolo hotel at the wharf, Lo Lounge is a bright and vibrant venue that's open for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Enjoy a delightful selection of drinks at the bar, from 5 pm, as you marvel at the high ceilings of this beautifully restored historic wharf.

Level 2, 6 Cowper Wharf Road, Woolloomooloo, NSW 2011 +61 2 9331 9000

http://www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydne y-city/potts-point-and-

woolloomooloo/restaurants/ovolo-hotel Train to St James, Martin Place or Kings Cross

## HUGOS MANLY

On the Manly Wharf, Hugos Manly is one of Sydney's waterfront restaurants with spectacular views of Sydney Harbour. A delicious mix of pizza and pasta, the menu was created by celebrity chef Pete Evans. You'll also be impressed by the skills of the award-winning bar team. Take a ferry from Circular Quay across the sparkling harbour and soak up the lovely atmosphere of Hugos Manly.

Shop 1, Manly Wharf, East Esplanade, Manly, NSW 2095

+61 2 8116 8555 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneynorth/manly/restaurants/hugos-manly-1007528 Ferry from Circular Quay to Manly Wharf

## IVY

Ivy is an entertainment palace in the city centre. From cocktail bars and dancing to bistros and a rooftop pool bar, ivy is a Sydney party destination. Enter via Angel Place laneway and head to French bar and bistro Felix for a dry Martini, or to Ash Street Cellar for tapas. Palings, on level one, delivers Mod Oz cuisine. Up the elevator you'll discover a sparkling rooftop pool at Ivy Pool Club. Friday hip-hop nights and Pacha Saturdays offer dance party heaven.

330 George Street, Sydney, NSW 2000 +61 2 9240 3000 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/city-centre/restaurants/ivy-pool-bar

### HEMMESPHERE

On the fourth floor of the Establishment is a world of opulence, inspired by the sophistication of the Ottoman Empire. Hemmesphere, derived from the surname of founder Justin Hemmes, features exotic furnishings, low lounges and ambient lighting which create an intimate atmosphere for any evening out. Fancy cocktails are available in abundance, vintage drams and select wines add to the mix; as does a compact menu of Japanese bento boxes, platters and supper snacks.

Level 4, Establishment, 252 George Street, Sydney, NSW 2000 + 61 2 9240 3100 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydney-

city/city-centre/restaurants/hemmesphere Train to Wynyard station

# THE GLENMORE HOTEL

This three-storey heritage hotel in The Rocks has a rooftop bar with 180-degree views of Sydney Harbour and the city centre. On the middle floor is the lounge cocktail bar, with Juliette balconies and an elegant ambience for gatherings of friends or family. The ground floor has traditional pub vibe. A great place to meet for lunch or after-work drinks.

96 Cumberland Street, The Rocks, NSW 2000 +61 2 9247 4794 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/the-rocks/restaurants/the-glenmore Train, ferry or bus to Circular Quay

## ZETA BAR

Stylish, sleek and sophisticated, this glamorous bar at the Hilton Sydney has an outdoor terrace overlooking the grand Queen Victoria Building, which was completed in 1898 and beautifully restored in the 1980s. Zeta's experienced mixologists come from all over the world and consistently drive Sydney's cocktail culture forward with fresh, innovative cocktail concepts that push the boundaries.



Level 4, Hilton Hotel, 488 George Street, Sydney, NSW 2000 +61 2 9265 6070 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/city-centre/restaurants/zeta-bar Train to Town Hall station





# **BEACH LIFESTYLE**



Sydney's beaches are world famous, and thanks to the mild climate, you can enjoy them year-round. Whether you want to ride waves on a surfboard or bodysurf at Bondi Beach, enjoy quiet time on a secluded stretch of sand, swim in a tranquil ocean pool or harbour cove, or dine overlooking the vast Pacific Ocean, Sydney's picturesque harbour and gorgeous coastal beaches have it all.

### PALM BEACH

Palm Beach is Sydney's northernmost stretch of sand, featuring great surf and coastal walks. It's famous as the gorgeous setting in the longrunning TV soap Home and Away, which has a huge international following. Known to locals as Palmie, the northern end of the beach is good for surfing and the southern end offers protected swimming, including a 35-metre ocean pool. Enjoy spectacular views of Palm Beach and Pittwater from the historic Barrenjoey Lighthouse, or fish from Palm Beach Wharf.

www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneynorth/palm-beach

### **BONDI BEACH**

White sands, turquoise waters and perfect waves make Bondi Beach one of the most popular destinations in the world, and you'll discover plenty more to do beyond the great surf and fine sands. Gourmet dining, eclectic shopping markets, gorgeous coastal walks and a buzzing nightlife can all be experienced in Bondi. The promenade along the beachfront is a favourite track for joggers and walkers, and you'll find plenty of inviting cafés and wine bars on Campbell Parade and in Hall Street.

### www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneyeast/bondi

### WATSONS BAY

Australia's oldest fishing village is Watsons Bay in Sydney Harbour, and home to the famous seafood restaurant Doyles on the Beach. Take a ferry from Circular Quay to Watsons Bay Wharf, or take in spectacular views aboard a bus on the cliffhugging drive down to Watsons Bay. Enjoy fish and chips at the wharf along with splendid harbour views. You can walk to the lighthouse at South Head and swim in the harbour pools. There's also a pub, Watsons Bay Beach Club, with great vistas, drinks and food - and jazz every Sunday. The sunsets from Watsons Bay are glorious.

#### www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneyeast/watsons-bay

Ferry from Circular Quay or bus from the QVB, York Street.

### SECRET SPOTS

Quiet, secluded beaches sprinkled around Sydney Harbour and along the coast, are charming spots to relax and unwind. Pack a picnic and head off to discover your own secret beach hideaway, many of which are accessible by ferry. The picturesque Milk Beach is a small stretch of white sand hidden within Sydney Harbour National Park, near Vaucluse, in Sydney's east. In Sydney's north, relax on Shelley Beach, near Manly, and Chinaman's Beach, near Mosman. In Sydney's south, the Royal National Park is home to Jibbon Beach.

www.sydney.com/things-to-do/beachlifestyle/secret-beaches-in-sydney

SNORKELLING IN SYDNEY



With a snorkel, mask and flippers, you can explore a huge range of marine life from starfish and sea anemones to spotted goatfish and cuttlefish, coral and more, at Sydney's many sheltered seaside coves. Clovelly Beach is a natural rock pool, and one of Sydney's best snorkelling spots - keep an eye out for the famous blue gropers. Nearby, Gordons Bay is protected by a reef and is an ideal site for beginners and families. Great snorkelling can also be enjoyed around Coogee's rock pool at the northern end of the beach.

www.sydney.com/things-to-do/beachlifestyle/snorkelling-in-sydney

### OCEAN AND HARBOUR POOLS

Sydney's coastline features a number of delightful outdoor pools, carved into rock platforms. These saltwater pools are a perfect complement to the surf – ideal for lap swimmers, families or those who just want to relax and float. You'll find many of the ocean pools tucked into the corners of Sydney's surf beaches or down a cliffside, such as the women's baths at Coogee, In Sydney Harbour, outdoor pools include the Andrew Boy Charlton pool at Woolloomooloo, near the Art Gallery of NSW, Royal Botanic Garden and Mrs Macquarie's Chair.

www.sydney.com/things-to-do/beachlifestyle/sydneys-outdoor-pools

### COOGEE BEACH

With a shimmering bay, magnificent coastal walk and a protected Marine Reserve that attracts snorkellers and scuba divers, Coogee epitomises the classic Sydney beach scene. When you're not lying on the sand or frolicking in the waves, explore the parks and ocean pools. Grab an icecream, a coffee or look out for great clothing bargains as you wander up Coogee Bay Road. For cool drink, visit one of the beer gardens, or check out the latest movies in the Art Deco grandeur of the heritage-listed Ritz Cinema at The Spot in Randwick.

www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneyeast/coogee Sydney is blessed with many surf beaches that cater to all levels of surfing skill, from small waves for beginners to big breaks for the more experienced and adventurous. Sydney beaches featured on the National Surfing Reserves, a list of iconic surfing locations in Australia, are Manly and North Narrabeen in Sydney's north and Maroubra and Cronulla in Sydney's south.

www.sydney.com/things-to-do/beachlifestyle/sydney-surf-beaches

### MANLY BEACH

Manly is a delightful destination for the whole family. Near the wharf where the ferry arrives, there is sheltered swimming in the netted harbour pool at Manly Cove, plus Manly SEA LIFE Sanctuary, cafés, restaurants and ice-cream shops. The paved Corso leads you past surf shops and pubs to Manly Beach. Walk or cycle along the Norfolk Pine tree-lined Steyne promenade from the white sands and rolling surf of Manly Beach to the neighbouring haven of Freshwater Beach.

www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneynorth/manly

Ferry from Circular Quay to Manly Wharf

### SURF SCHOOLS

Need a lesson? Beginners can find accredited surf schools at many of Sydney's favourite surf beaches, each school offering its own unique techniques for teaching you how to catch a wave. For an iconic Sydney surfing experience with experienced teachers who know the waves, head to Bondi or Manly beaches. You'll also find accredited surf schools at Maroubra and Cronulla beaches.

www.sydney.com/things-to-do/beachlifestyle/surf-schools

## MANLY SCENIC WALKWAY



A great way to marvel at the beauty of Sydney Harbour and the enchanting bushland on the foreshore is on foot, and one of the best walking trails is the Manly Scenic Walkway. This 10 km path meanders through the bush around the harbour foreshore from Spit Bridge past gorgeous Clontarf Beach to Manly. Stop at the crest of Dobroyd Head and look straight out to sea through the Heads, the entrance of the harbour. There are six entry and exit points for shorter strolls, and the whole walk takes 3-4 hours. Enjoy a post-walk feast at Manly Wharf before taking the iconic Manly ferry across the harbour to Circular Quay.

Starts at the Spit Bridge, near Mosman, NSW, 2095 +61 2 9976 1430 Accessible at all times Bus from Wynyard station, Carrington Street, in the city centre to Spit Bridge.





# SHOPPING



Sydney is a shopper's paradise, with all your favourite international brands and labels plus trendy boutiques and buzzy weekend markets. And Sydney designers wow the fashion world with their creations; browse in boutiques and markets for innovative local designs. Stock up on boots, party frocks or unique pieces of jewellery including opals, natural pearls and pink diamonds in stylish shopping malls and boutiques.

### PITT STREET MALL

Pitt Street Mall is Sydney's fashion central in the heart of the city, encompassing several retail centres across two city blocks including stylish Westfield Sydney, department stores David Jones and Myer and the elegant Strand Arcade. You'll discover all the top international brands and labels as well as top local designers in the many boutiques and stores in this delightful shopping precinct.

Pitt Street, Sydney, NSW 2000 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/city-centre/attractions/pitt-street-mall Train to Town Hall or Martin Place stations.

## QUEEN VICTORIA BUILDING

Rich in history, the grand Queen Victoria Building occupies an entire block on Sydney's George Street, and houses more than 180 of Sydney's finest fashion boutiques, jewellery shops and homewares, accompanied by delightful cafes and restaurants. You can enjoy a morning or afternoon tea at the The Tea Room. 455 George Street, Sydney, NSW 2000 +61 2 9265 6855 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/city-centre/attractions/queen-victoria-building Train to Town Hall station

# BONDI MARKETS

The Bondi Markets, established in 1993, are open Sundays in the beachfront grounds of Bondi Beach Public School. Discover original local designer clothing and imported fashions, handmade jewellery, arts, crafts, homewares, retro furniture, vintage clothes and more. After browsing in the markets, stroll to the world-famous Bondi Beach and enjoy the white sands and curling waves.

Bondi Beach Public School, Campbell Parade, Bondi Beach, NSW 2026 www.sydney.com/events/bondi-markets

Every Sunday 10am – 4pm (until 5pm during December and January) Bus 333 from Circular Quay

# CARRIAGEWORKS FARMERS MARKET

Every Saturday, more than 70 farmers and artisan food producers pack their trucks with fresh, seasonal and homemade produce and head for the Carriageworks Farmers Market. Lovers of fresh produce and fine food can find a variety of goods including artisan breads, olive oil, boutique wine, sweets and gourmet fare from dips to chutneys.

243 Wilson Street, Eveleigh, NSW 2015 +61 2 8571 9099 www.sydney.com/events/eveleigh-farmers-market Every Saturday 8am – 1pm Train to Redfern station

# BIRKENHEAD POINT OUTLET CENTRE

Sydney's original factory outlet centre offers fashion designer labels at up to 70% off regular retail prices. Located beside the Birkenhead Point Marina, enjoy spectacular views of Sydney Harbour while you browse through a huge range of your favourite fashion and lifestyle brands.



Roseby Street, Drummoyne, Sydney, NSW 2047 +61 2 9819 6949

www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/innersydney/surrounds/attractions/birkenhead-pointoutlet-centre

Sunday to Wednesday, 10 am - 5.30 am; Thursday, 10 am - 7.30 pm; Friday, 10 am - 5.30 pm; Saturday, 9 am - 6 pm Bus from Town Hall, Druitt St.

## PADDINGTON MARKETS

Every Saturday, local fashion designers, craftspeople, jewellery makers and artists fill more than 150 stalls with creative fashion, accessories, handcrafted goods and pictures that keep inspiring new generations of Sydneysiders, year in and year out. In the heart of Paddington, the markets have been operating since 1973.

Paddington Uniting Church, 395 Oxford Street, Paddington, NSW 2021 +61 2 9331 2923 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/innersydney/paddington/attractions/paddingtonmarkets Every Saturday 10am - 4pm during winter (until 5pm during summer).

Bus 333 or 380 from Circular Quay

## THE INTERSECTION PADDINGTON

The Intersection is a strip of handpicked boutiques and upcoming Australian designers on the corner of Oxford Street and Glenmore Road in Paddington. It's home to top local designers, such as Willow, Ellery, sass & bide and Josh Goot, who have put Australia on the global map of fashion.

Corner of Oxford Street and Glenmore Road, Paddington, NSW 2021 +61 2 4888 2359 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/innersydney/paddington/attractions/the-intersectionpaddington Bus 333 from Circular Quay

### **GLEBE MARKETS**

Browse through the many and varied stalls featuring a treasure of goods, from original design clothing to pre-loved attire, books, records, jewellery, accessories, art and bric-à-brac. Enjoy multicultural food stalls and outdoor entertainment including bands, jugglers and acrobats.

Glebe Public School, 183 Glebe Point Road, Glebe, NSW 2037

### www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/innersydney/glebe/events/glebe-markets

Every Saturday 10am – 4pm Train to Central Station and walk or bus 431, 432 from Central Station's Pitt Street stop

# PADDY'S MARKETS

Paddy's Markets has held a central place in Sydney's history for over 150 years. In the Chinatown area, explore hundreds of stalls stocked with a wide range of goods, from souvenirs to sporting goods, clothes to cosmetics, footwear to sheepskins, plants, fruit and vegetables, an amazing food court and more.

Corner of Thomas and Hay Streets, Haymarket, NSW 2000 +61 2 9325 6200

www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/chinatown-and-haymarket/attractions/paddysmarkets-at-haymarket

Open Wednesday to Sunday 9am – 5pm. Light rail from Central Station to Paddy's Markets stop

#### WESTFIELD BONDI JUNCTION

Along with Westfield Sydney in Pitt Street Mall, Westfield Bondi Junction caters for shoppers interested in designer labels, including Louis Vuitton and Chanel, among other prized international and Australian brands. Explore hundreds of specialty stores and services including Australia's largest department stores, David Jones and Myer, as well as a food court, supermarkets, fishmonger and butcher.

500 Oxford Street, Bondi Junction, NSW 2022 +61 2 9947 8000 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneyeast/bondi/attractions/westfield-bondi-junction





## OXFORD STREET

A popular shopping destination for its boutiques, Oxford Street stretches through Sydney's eastern neighbourhoods of Darlinghurst, Paddington and Woollahra. Explore designer fashion houses, art galleries, booksellers, furniture shops and take a shopping break in one of the many trendy cafés or enjoy lunch at one of the beautifully restored pubs in the main street or in side streets.

www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/innersydney/paddington

#### WORLD SQUARE

Spanning three levels of an entire block in Haymarket, near Chinatown, World Square shopping centre offers fresh and prepared food, a tempting selection of fashion, homewares, lifestyle items and services, with over 90 specialty retailers.

644/680 George Street, Sydney, NSW 2000 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/chinatown-and-haymarket/attractions/worldsquare-shopping-centre Train to Town Hall station

## STRAND ARCADE

The Strand Arcade houses many of Australia's best designer labels, jewellers, coffee shops, gift shops and beauty salons. The majestic Victorian building sits in the middle of Sydney city on bustling Pitt Street Mall, housing many retail outlets that have traded there for decades. Established in 1891 and opened in 1892, the Strand Arcade was the last of the arcades built in Victorian Sydney and is the only one remaining today in its original form.

412 - 414 George Street, Sydney, NSW 2000 + 61 2 9232 4199

www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/city-centre/attractions/the-strand-arcade Train to Town Hall or Martin Place stations.

## THE GALERIES VICTORIA

A diverse mix of boutiques and retailers offering fashion, art and music. Give your wardrobe a serious upgrade in a matter of hours, shopping at Incu, Alphaville or Carhartt. Grab a bite to eat at the food hall and a beer at The Arthouse. Browse the latest music and technological gadgets at JB Hi-Fi and discover an extensive range of books at Kinokuniya.

500 George Street, Sydney, NSW 2000 +61 2 9265 6888 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/city-centre/attractions/the-galeries Train to Town Hall station





# EVENTS



Sydney stages spectacular events year-round. With fireworks and arts festivals, musicals and outdoor concerts, the city enchants visitors. Start your year with the dazzling New Year's Eve fireworks on Sydney Harbour. The Sydney Festival is in January. At any time of the year, see a show at the Sydney Opera House or a blockbuster musical at a charming theatre. Don't miss Australia Day on January 26, and sports fans have plenty of choices. The Sydney Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras culminates with a glittering parade in March. In winter, Vivid Sydney lights up the city.

### SYDNEY WRITERS' FESTIVAL

Some of the biggest names in literature come together in Sydney each May for one week of inspiring talks, panels and performances. Choose from more than 300 events in a week designed to stimulate, move, inspire and provoke.

Pier 4/5, Walsh Bay, NSW 2000 www.sydney.com/events/sydney-writers-festival Train, ferry or bus to Circular Quay

# SYDNEY GAY AND LESBIAN MARDI GRAS

Sydney's Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras is a worldfamous drawcard with its universal message of gay pride, diversity, equality, love and acceptance. The three-week calendar of shows, parties and exhibitions, kicks off in February each year and culminates in the glittering Mardi Gras parade in March featuring a splendid assortment of lavish floats, eye-popping costumes and vibrant colours.

www.sydney.com/events/sydney-gay-and-lesbianmardi-gras

# GOOD FOOD MONTH

Australia's largest food festival, The Sydney Morning Herald Good Food Month celebrates Australia's extraordinary culinary scene throughout October. Events pop up around the city, such as Good Pub Grub, Bar Hop cocktail and bar snack combinations, Ultimate High Teas as well as parties and hands-on cooking classes. Signature events include the Asian-inspired Night Noodle Markets as well as the Shoot the Chef culinary photographic competition.

www.sydney.com/events/the-sydney-morningherald-good-food-month

# SYDNEY NEW YEAR'S EVE

Welcome in the new year with one of the world's most impressive fireworks displays and join the 1.6 million along the Sydney Harbour foreshore and filling the city's streets, bars and gardens. A children's fireworks display is at 9pm before the dazzling midnight display on one of the world's most beautiful natural harbours.

www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneycity/new-years-eve-sydney

### HANDA OPERA ON SYDNEY HARBOUR

Enjoy a night of entertainment in the outdoors watching world-class opera with the World Heritage-listed Sydney Opera House and the Sydney Harbour Bridge as your backdrop. In March and April, an acclaimed opera is performed on the water's edge in a pop-up opera house next to the Royal Botanic Garden.

Fleet Steps, Mrs Macquaries Point, Sydney, NSW 2000 +61 2 9318 8200 http://www.sydney.com/events/handa-opera-onsydney-harbour

VIVID SYDNEY



This annual event of light, music and ideas is Sydney's premier winter festival, held over several weeks in May and June. Watch the city transform into a spectacular canvas of light displays, with signature events such as the Lighting the Sails of the Sydney Opera House and the impressive Light Walk that meanders around Sydney Harbour and the city centre. Catch live performances in Sydney's iconic music venues with the Vivid Music and Vivid LIVE programs. Connect with the world's creative leaders at inspiring talks and workshops as part of Vivid Ideas.

www.sydney.com/events/vivid-sydney

## HURLEY AUSTRALIAN OPEN OF SURFING

Watch some of the world's best surfers compete at Manly Beach during the Hurley Australian Open of Surfing. The annual festival begins in February and also features skateboarding, BMX riding, live music and fashion stalls.

Manly Beach, Manly, NSW 2095 www.sydney.com/destinations/sydney/sydneynorth/manly/events/australian-open-surfing Ferry from Circular Quay to Manly Wharf

# STATE OF ORIGIN

State of Origin is one the highlights of Australia's sporting events. It brings together the best players of the Australian Rugby League competition. Long running rival teams, the New South Wales Blues and the Queensland Maroons, play for the best of three games before tens of thousands of fans.

ANZ Stadium, Edwin Flack Avenue, Sydney Olympic Park, NSW 2127

http://www.sydney.com/events/state-of-origin Train to Olympic Park station

## SCULPTURE BY THE SEA

Held annually in October-November, this is one of the world's largest annual outdoor sculpture exhibitions. Two kilometres of the spectacular Bondi to Coogee Coastal Walk are transformed into a temporary sculpture park featuring more than 100 works of all shapes and sizes by artists from Australia and across the world.

www.sydney.com/events/sculpture-by-the-sea Bus 333 from Circular Quay

### AUSTRALIA DAY

Join Sydneysiders and celebrate Australia Day on January 26. Sydney observes the holiday in style, with a host of events taking place on and around beautiful Sydney Harbour and throughout the city centre. Many spend the day on Sydney's beaches and flock to Darling Harbour to continue the party after sunset.

#### www.sydney.com/events/australia-day

### SYDNEY FESTIVAL

Sydney Festival, in January, showcases the best in performing and visual arts from across Australia and around the world. Exuberant and exciting, the program is eclectic with theatre and dance, indie and world music, and outdoor concerts in the Domain, opposite the Art Gallery of NSW.

http://www.sydney.com/events/sydney-festival

# APIA INTERNATIONAL SYDNEY TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Formerly known as the New South Wales Open, this is one of the oldest tennis tournaments in the world, dating back to 1885. Watch an exciting lineup of international stars and legendary players battle for coveted titles at the Sydney Olympic Park Tennis Centre in January.

Sydney Olympic Park Tennis Centre, Rod Laver Drive, Sydney Olympic Park, NSW 2127 www.sydney.com/events/apia-international-sydney Train to Olympic Park station

### SYDNEY ROYAL EASTER SHOW

Bringing the country to the city since 1823, the Sydney Royal Easter Show celebrates all things agricultural and attracts about 900,000 visitors each year. It's held during the Easter school holidays in March and April. Taste some of Australia's best fresh produce, discover great shopping, see more than 14,000 animals and enjoy hours of family fun with carnival rides, entertainment and more.



Sydney Showground, 1 Showground Road, Sydney Olympic Park, NSW 2127 www.sydney.com/events/sydney-royal-easter-show Train to Olympic Park station

# AUSTRALIAN GARDEN SHOW

Celebrate Australia's love of gardens and outdoor spaces at this four-day event in Sydney's Centennial Park each spring. Join some of the world's leading experts in the garden talk series, see cutting-edge designer gardens, spectacular floral installations and take home some great gardening tips.

Oxford Street, Centennial Park, Sydney, NSW 2021 www.sydney.com/events/the-australian-gardenshow-sydney Bus 333 from Circular Ouay

### SYDNEY FILM FESTIVAL

The Sydney Film Festival shows the best in cinema from across Australia and around the world, including features, documentaries, short films, retrospectives, restorations, animation and more. Held in June, this is one of the world's oldest film festivals that acts as an annual forum for cultural thought leadership and discussion.

www.sydney.com/events/sydney-film-festival

### CHINESE NEW YEAR FESTIVAL

Celebrate the Lunar New Year during Sydney's two-week Chinese New Year Festival. Each summer, more than 80 events transform Sydney's streets - many of them free - including exhibitions, night markets and restaurant banquets. Don't miss the spectacular twilight parade and lively dragon boat races.

www.sydney.com/events/chinese-new-year-festival

