

SYDNEY GUIDE



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Essential Information

Emergency Contacts

- 000 or 112 – the general emergency number

Sydney is Australia's oldest, largest and most diverse city and has much going on – considered one of the best cities to live; the city is a cultural and financial center with internationally known museums and galleries. It hosts many fantastic festivals, enjoys a free-spirited atmosphere, offers fabulous beaches and a whole host of great things to do, in a city that makes its visitors very welcome.

The harbor is a magical place in the evening, and daytime-Sydney is no less spectacular, with plenty on offer for art lovers, food lovers, nature lovers, shopaholics, sporty people and pretty much any type of person you can think of. You simply can't leave without a visit to Australia's top attraction, the Sydney Opera House; why not try a behind-the-scenes tour or enjoy a world-class performance?

Adventurers will love the Australian National Maritime Museum, where you can board a destroyer or climb into a submarine before heading to Sydney Observatory for a tour of the night's sky. Kids will love discovering the local fauna at the Sea Life Sydney Aquarium! Or if it's a more romantic time you're after, take in the breathtaking 360 views of the harbor, its beaches and the Blue Mountains from Sydney Tower Eye, the highest point above the city.

Time Zone

EST (+10), observes DST.

Contacts

Tourist Contacts

- Sydney visitor's centre: +61 2 9240 8788
- Transport infoline: 13 15 00

Currency: Australian dollar, A\$1 = 100 cents.

You can exchange your currency at banks or exchange offices which are both abundant in the city and at the airport. You can also simply withdraw money from the ATMs; you'll have no trouble finding them.

Most establishments also accept credit and debit cards; however, it is best to always carry at least a small amount of cash around, since not all places accept them. Traveler's checks and foreign currencies are accepted by only a few of the shops; check the stickers on the door to be sure.

Tax Refunds

If you spend A\$300 or more in one store and get a single invoice, you can apply for a tax refund at any of the Tourist Refund Scheme (www.customs.gov.au) facilities which are present at airports and seaports. You need to present the tax invoice, your passport and boarding pass and the goods themselves – either on you (clothing) or in your hand luggage. The goods and service tax is 10%.

Prices

- Meal, inexpensive restaurant – A\$14
- Meal for 2, mid-range restaurant, three-course – A\$70
- Big Mac combo meal – A\$8
- Bottle of water at supermarket – A\$2.50 (1.5 litres)
- Domestic beer (0.5 liter, draught) – A\$6
- Gasoline (1 liter) – A\$1.5
- Hostels (average price/night) – A\$30-50
- 4* hotel (average price/night) – A\$100-200
- Car-hire (medium-sized car/day) – A\$90

Tipping

Tipping is not customary in Australia – just pay the bill and that's it. If you feel you'd really like to reward the waiter, give them 10% of the final bill. Keep in mind that sometimes the waiters can't keep tips. Porters or bartenders generally get one or two dollars should you want to leave a tip – again, you don't have to. Some Australians feel that tipping is an imported custom and do not tip at all.

Electricity

The standard electricity supply in Australia is 230 volt – 50 Hz. The plugs have two diagonal and one vertical pin. Remember to bring an adapter or converter if you need it.

Languages

The official languages in Sydney is English. The city is multicultural, though, and many locals speak Chinese, Arabic, Greek, or other languages.

Mobile Phones

The GSM network is operated by three companies – Telstra, Optus and Vodafone. The frequency is 900 and 1800 MHz, the same as the rest of the world except North America. There are also two UMTS networks operated by Telstra and Optus which work nationwide and run on different frequencies; and another two 2100 MHz networks run by Vodafone which work only in the big cities.

If you'd like to stay in touch while visiting Sydney, you might consider renting a phone at the airport or getting yourself a local SIM card for much better rates.

The international access code for Australia is +61, the area code for Sydney is 2.

Internet

Sydney is a well-connected city. Most hotels and hostels offer their own Wi-Fi connection for guests; check if it's included in your bill or not. Alternatively, you can use a computer at an internet café or just sit down with your own device at one of many restaurants or cafés offering free Wi-Fi.

There is also an initiative (blog.freesydneywireless.com) to set up free hotspots around Sydney – not

by any particular company or the city council, but by the people themselves.

Internet Resources

EST (+10), observes DST.

- **New Year's Day** – January 1
- **Australia Day** – January 26
- **Good Friday and Easter Saturday, Sunday and Monday**
- **Anzac Day** – April 25
- **Queen's Birthday** – June
- **Labour Day** – October
- **Christmas Day** – December 25
- **Boxing Day** – December 26

Opening Hours

Shops are generally open from around 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on weekdays. On weekends, the opening times are shorter, only to 4 p.m. On Thursdays, the shops stay open longer, often until 9 p.m. Banks are open from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on weekdays and stay open longer (until 5 p.m.) on Fridays. Smaller shops and banks close for public holidays. Restaurants are open from 12 p.m., go on a break from 2:30 p.m. and open again at 6 p.m.

Museums and other sights are generally open from 9.30 a.m. to around 5 p.m. However, on some days (generally Thursdays), museums might stay open longer. Always check the museum's website, since the opening times are specific for each one. Museums in general also close on public holidays.

Public Transportation

The public transport (www.131500.com.au) is run by the NSW government. It covers the whole city and the surrounding areas well, but you will find that the different modes of transport are poorly integrated, so you will need several kinds of tickets (unless you buy a pass) and will have to cope with different fares.

Consider buying the MyMulti day pass (\$21.00) or the MyMulti1 (\$43.00) which you can use for a whole week. These are valid everywhere except on the monorail and can be purchased at 7-Eleven stores, railway stations and other places. You can't buy tickets after boarding a train!

Train – the network is operated by Cityrail (www.cityrail.info) and with over 170 stations, it covers most of the city. Keep in mind that not all trains stop at every station and not every train goes to the end of the line – always check the screens to see where each train is going. When traveling late at night, try to board the carriage with the blue light – there is a guard present there and it's a good way to avoid any unsavory characters. The price of a single fare varies from \$3.40 to \$8.20 depending on the kilometers you travel. You can also get a return ticket (from \$6.80).

Bus – connects both closer and distant suburbs to the city center. You need to flag the bus down if you want to board it and you must also signal if you want to get off. Bring your own map, since the buses have none and don't announce the stops. As for the fares, a single trip may cost anything from \$2.10 to \$4.50 depending on the zone. You can also buy a batch of ten tickets starting from \$16.80. The bus also replaces train services between midnight and roughly 5 a.m.

Light rail (www.metrotransport.com.au) – two lines that run to a number of attractive places, like Darling Harbour and Chinatown. The Central – Star City – Central line runs every 30 minutes, even through the night. A basic one-zone ticket costs \$3.50 and a day pass costs \$9.00.

Monorail (www.metrotransport.com.au) – a single line that covers Chinatown, the historical quarter of Sydney and other places. More of a sightseeing ride than an efficient means of transport – a single ride costs \$5.00 and a day pass costs \$9.80.

Ferry – operated by Sydney Ferries (sydneyferries.info) from Circular Quay. The ferries can take you to a number of islands and the zoo, but also make for a great sightseeing ride. A single ticket costs either \$5.60 or \$7.00, depending on how far you travel. A return ticket costs either \$11.20 or \$14.00. You can also buy a pack of ten tickets starting from \$44.80.

Taxis

You can either hail a taxi from the street, or search for a taxi rank. The vehicles have no unique design, since a number of companies operate the taxis. The light on the top of the taxi indicates if it's on duty. The basic price is \$3.50, with \$2.14 added for each kilometer. Taxis accept major credit cards, so paying shouldn't be a problem.

Watch out for the Friday rush (3 p.m.) – you could easily wait an hour or more for a taxi. On Friday and Saturday nights, some of the taxi ranks are watched over by security guards. You can find their list on the NSW government transport website (<http://www.131500.com.au/maps/secure-taxi-ranks/>).

Water taxis also operate in the harbor.

Resources:

- Legion Cabs (www.legioncabs.com.au) – 13 14 51
- St. George Cabs (www.stgeorgecabs.com.au) 13 21 66
- Wheelchair-accessible taxis: +61 2 8332 0200
- NSW official taxi website (www.nswtaxi.org.au)
- A list of licensed taxi companies (www.nswtaxi.org.au)

Regional Transportation

The Sydney Kingsford Smith International Airport is the main hub for aerial transport into Sydney and Australia in general. If you want to use the train to get to the city, keep in mind you have to pay the \$12 fee for traveling from and to the airport. You can avoid paying this fee by using the bus, taxi or another means of transport.

A number of bus companies operate their buses from and to Sydney and it is easy to get to any major city from here. Greyhound (www.greyhound.com.au) is the most-used company. The bus station is right next to the Central train station.

Trains take longer than the buses, but can be more comfortable. CountryLink (www.countrylink.info) and Great Southern Rail (www.greatsouthernrail.com.au) both run long-distance lines from Sydney Central Station. Alternatively, the CityRail (www.cityrail.info) connects Sydney to the closer cities and is mainly used by commuters.

Driving

- Speed limits in cities – 50 km/h (31 mph)
- Outside the cities – 100 km/h (62 mph)
- Interstates – 110 km/h (68 mph)
- Blood alcohol limit – 0.05 BAC

- Passengers must always wear a seatbelt in both front and back seats.
- Children under 7 years old must use a booster seat and cannot travel in the front seat. Children under 4 must use a child restraint.
- Touching the cell phone while driving is illegal – use a hands-free kit or a mount and do not text.
- Don't use your horn unless it's necessary.
- Drive on the left.

Traffic is not as bad in Sydney as in other cities. You can expect to get stuck during the rush hours, with Friday being particularly horrible. However, if you plan to drive outside these times, driving around the city can be an efficient means of transport. Parking in the city center could be a problem, though, and can get very expensive. Some roads and bridges charge tolls.

Walkability

Sydney is not amongst the most walkable cities in the world. Most of the city has a ‘motorway’ feel to it – meant for cars, not people. Traffic light waiting times for pedestrians can be annoying, too. Traffic in general is the main reason Sydney is not pedestrian-friendly. However, there are some walkable neighborhoods like The Rocks or Chinatown that are best explored on foot. It all depends on what parts of the city you want to visit.

The city is very accessible – public transport is equipped for wheelchairs and so are the local taxis. See the city website (www.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au) for more information about accessible transport. The most popular sights also offer special services for people with disabilities; check the respective websites.

- Steak is one of the most popular foods in Sydney.
- Stop by at the Sydney Fish Markets and enjoy some fish specialties straight from the vendors.
- ‘Aussie’ meat pies are also a must for any meat-eater.
- The Pavlova cake is a scrumptious combination of strawberries and cream.
- Sydney is a multicultural city and, as such, you will find specialties from almost any country in the world.

. If you are feeling adventurous, you can visit one of the restaurants which serve indigenous cuisine – kangaroos and emus both have delicious meat.

As for drinks, Australia produces popular beers and wines and both are worth tasting. Sydney is also big on coffee culture and you might find some real gems in the local cafés, like the Sydney latté. Australians also prepare a special kind of tea, called billy tea; traditionally cooked over a campfire and flavored with a gum leaf.

Legal Age

The drinking age in Sydney, as in the rest of Australia, is 18 years. Clubs, pubs and bars will ask you for an ID, especially downtown. The majority of places close around 3 a.m. – but try to leave before that so you can catch a taxi if you plan to. Do not visit clubs or pubs in beachwear. Smoking is forbidden in restaurants and bars.

January

- Sydney Festival (www.sydneyfestival.org.au) – open-air concerts and theatre

February

- Chinese New Year Festival (www.sydneychinesenewyear.com)
- Mardi Gras (www.mardigras.org.au) – celebrated by the LGBT community
- Tropfest (tropfest.com) – the world's largest short film festival

March

- Sydney Harbour Regatta (www.shr.mhyc.com.au) – over 200 keelboats participate in this race
- Sydney Royal Easter Show (www.eastershow.com.au) – agricultural show combined with an amusement park and more

May

- Mercedes-Benz Fashion Week (australia.mbfashionweek.com)

June

- Sydney Film Festival (sff.org.au)

August

- City2Surf (www.city2surf.com.au) – a popular running event

October

- Manly Jazz Festival (www.manly.nsw.gov.au)
- Sculpture By The Sea (www.sculpturebythesea.com) – exhibition near the Bondi Beach

December

- New Year's Eve (www.sydneynewyearseve.com)
- Rolex Sydney Hobart Yacht Race (rolexsydneyhobart.com) – a popular but difficult yacht race

Free Things To Do

- Visit the free museums, such as Art Gallery of New South Wales and The Rocks Discovery Museum. Don't miss out on historical buildings such as Government House, too.
- See the famous Bondi Beach and adjacent ones, even if you do not plan on going in the sea.
- Visit the city's churches and other religious places – you might be surprised by what you find.
- Take in the views from Sydney Harbour Bridge and stop by at the Sydney Opera House.
- The Circular Quay has a lot of atmosphere; walking around there is a pleasure.
- Do not miss the pleasant Royal Botanic Gardens.
- Those interested in sports shouldn't miss the Sydney Olympic Park.
- The nearby Blue Mountains are a perfect place for a hike.

Shopping

Open-air markets are one of your best choices when searching for souvenirs, particularly if you want local crafts such as a didgeridoo or a boomerang. Alternatively, you can stop by at The Rocks and check the gallery and museum shops there for some Aboriginal or other art. You could also go for food souvenirs like Australian candy and chocolate, beer and wine or the Vegemite spread. Sheep skin and wool products make for a practical present to bring home, too. If you visit the usual souvenir shops, make sure you compare prices – you could save quite a bit of money. And if shopping for children, koala and kangaroo plushies are a must.

- Sydney's official tourist website (www.sydney.com)
- City of Sydney official website (www.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au)
- NSW official tourist website (www.visitnsw.com)
- Listing of events at the City of Sydney website (whatson.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au)

Safety

Sydney is a big city and as such, there are some related problems. Petty thieves are present here, so always keep an eye on your belongings, do not leave them in the car and stay aware of your surroundings.

As for violent crime, you should be safe in most parts of the city. Avoid King's Cross late at night – there have been reports of violent crimes occurring here. Keep out of the Redfern and Waterloo area, too. Also be careful around areas known for the nightlife – drunk people are sometimes easy to provoke. In general, it is best to ask which areas to avoid at your hotel desk if you plan to stay out late. Don't accept drinks from strangers, and don't leave your drinks unattended, as there have been reports of spiking.

When going to the beach, keep to designated areas away from dangerous currents (marked by red and yellow flags). Jellyfish are not much of a concern; but keep an eye out for Blue Bottles; their sting can be very painful, even if they are already washed up on the beach. To relieve the pain of a Blue Bottle sting, apply ice or the hottest water you can stand and inform a lifeguard. As for sharks, there hasn't been a fatal attack in many years, but you should avoid swimming in murky waters, at night or outside of the designated zones.

Do not forget to apply sunscreen, even if you aren't on the beach – the sun is really strong here. Find shade around midday and have access to a shady place if going to the beach.

Tap water in Sydney is safe to drink.

Must See Things in Sydney A-Z

- A** Sydney Harbour Bridge
- B** Sydney Opera House
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- W** Hyde Park Sydney
- X** Australian Museum
- Y** ANZAC War Memorial
- Z** Chinese Garden of Friendship



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Sydney Harbour Bridge

One of Sydney's best-known sights whose imposing arch can't be overlooked. This majestic architectural gem is a must.

GPS: S33.85222, E151.21056



Sydney Opera House

Sydney's most famous landmark. An absolute must – visit a performance here, take the tour or enjoy the architecture from outside.

Bennelong Point, Sydney, NSW 2001, Australia

GPS: S33.85680, E151.21534

Phone:

+61 2 9250 7111

Opening hours:

The Sydney Opera House Tour:

Daily: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Box Office Foyer:

Mon – Sat: 9 a.m. – 8:30 p.m.,

Sun: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

For performances commencing outside of general Box Office opening hours, please be aware the Box Office will remain open until 15 minutes after the performance start time.

Admission:

The Sydney Opera House Tour:

Adult: AUD 31.50 – AUD 35

Full-time student, child under 16: AUD 22.05 – AUD 24.50

Family (2+2): AUD 90

Additional Child (to a family ticket): AUD 12.50

Earlybird Adult (online only for 9 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. tours): AUD 28

Advanced bookings are recommended.





Quay Restaurant

Australian cuisine at its best. Enjoy the fine dining with wonderful views of the harbour.

Overseas Passenger Terminal, The Rocks, Sydney, NSW 2000, Australia
GPS: S33.85836, E151.21004

Phone:

+61 2 9251 5600

Opening hours:

Lunch: Tue – Fri: noon – 2:30 p.m.

Dinner: Mon – Sun: 6 p.m. – 10 p.m.

Admission:

Book in advance.

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Sydney Observatory

The historical building in itself is worth the visit, but the nightly stargazing here is simply awesome. Great for kids.

Watson Road, Observatory Hill, The Rocks, Sydney, NSW 2000, Australia
GPS: S33.85953, E151.20474

Opening hours:

Day visit:

Open daily: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

New Year's Eve: 10 a.m. – noon

Good Friday, Christmas Day, Boxing Day holidays: closed

Day telescope/3D theatre session:

Mon – Fri (school term): 2:30 p.m., 3:30 p.m., 4 p.m.

Weekends, school holidays: 11 a.m., noon, 2:30 p.m., 3:30 p.m.

Night visit:

Open nightly: Mon – Sat

Bookings are necessary.

Night telescope/3D theatre session:

Apr – Sept: 6:15 p.m., 8:15 p.m.

Oct, Nov: 8:15 p.m.

Dec, Jan: 8:30 p.m.

Feb, Mar: 8:15 p.m.

Admission:

Daytime admission for a self-guided visit to the gardens and the Observatory exhibitions: free entry

A ticket must be purchased for telescope towers, telescope viewings and 3D theatre sessions.

Telescope/3D theatre sessions day charges:

Adult: AUD 8

Child (4-15): AUD 6

Concession: AUD 6

Family (2+2;1+3): AUD 22

Telescope/3D theatre sessions night charges:

Adult: AUD 18

Child (4-15): AUD 12

Concession: AUD 14

Family (2+2;1+3): AUD 50

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Cadman's Cottage

The oldest house in all of Sydney with almost 200 years of history now holds an information centre for the tourists.

110 George Street, Sydney, NSW, Australia
GPS: S33.85891, E151.20919



Mrs Macquarie's Chair

The sandstone here was cut into a bench-shape for the governor's wife who loved views of the harbour – now you can enjoy them too.

GPS: S33.85947, E151.22220



Circular Quay

This vibrant place witnessed the first landing of the British in Australia. Nowadays it's a lively area.

GPS: S33.86100, E151.21100



Museum of Sydney

Well-presented and captivating history of Sydney can be found here. The interactive tour begins on the outside and never gets boring.

Corner Phillip and Bridge Streets, Sydney, NSW 2000, Australia
GPS: S33.86363, E151.21136

Phone:

+61 2 9251 5988

Opening hours:

Mon – Fri: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Good Friday, Christmas Day: closed

Admission:

Adult: AUD 10
Child: AUD 5
Full-time student, senior with valid ID/card: AUD 5
Family (2+2): AUD 20



Royal Botanic Gardens

A magical garden revered by both the locals and the tourists. Do not miss this marvellous gem while in Sydney.

GPS: S33.86389, E151.21694

Opening hours:

Nov – Feb: 7 a.m. – 8 p.m.
Mar: 7 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Apr, Sept: 7 a.m. – 6 p.m.
May, Aug: 7 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.
June, July: 7 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Oct: 7 a.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Sydney Fernery and Succulent Garden: Open Daily: 9 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Christmas Day, Good Friday: closed
Free guided walks (for individuals/small family groups, 1.5 hours): Daily: 10:30 a.m.
Free walks (1 hour): Mar – Nov: Mon – Fri: 1 p.m.
Walks depart from the Information Counter at the Palm Grove Centre. Not available on public holidays.

Admission:

Free entry.
No pets are allowed in the Garden.



Martin Place

This busy boulevard combines historical architecture, luxurious stores and business. Worth the visit if you're nearby.

GPS: S33.86770, E151.20892





The Lindt Chocolate Café

A unique experience for your tastebuds. The hot chocolate here is delicious and simply unforgettable.

53 Martin Place, Sydney, NSW, Australia

GPS: S33.86777, E151.21091

Phone:

+61 2 8257 1600

Opening hours:

Mon – Fri: 7:30 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sat – Sun: 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.



The Domain

The vast park is used as a venue for many events and hides many intriguing sights, such as the speakers' corner.

GPS: S33.86833, E151.21472

Opening hours:

Open 24 hours every day except for special or ticketed events.

Admission:

Free entry.



Art Gallery of New South Wales

The best gallery in Sydney that covers all sorts of art done in all media. A must-see especially for art connoisseurs.

Art Gallery Rd, The Domain 2000, Sydney, NSW 2000, Australia

GPS: S33.86869, E151.21714

Phone:

+61 2 9225 1744

Opening hours:

Open daily: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Wed (Art After Hours): 10 a.m. – 9 p.m.

Christmas Day, Good Friday: closed

Gallery Shop:

Open daily: 10 a.m. – 4:45 p.m.

Wed: 10 a.m. – 8:45 p.m.

Admission:

Most exhibitions and events are free.



Finger Wharf

What used to be a tired dock has been revitalized and now it's an exclusive hangout spot where celebrities appear.

GPS: S33.86750, E151.22100



Australian National Maritime Museum

The giant white building houses extensive collections on all things maritime. When you get bored, step out and explore the ships.

2 Murray Street, Sydney, NSW 2000, Australia

GPS: S33.86933, E151.19873

Phone:

+61 2 9298 3777

Opening hours:

Open daily: 9:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. (6 p.m. in Jan)

Christmas Day, Dec 25: closed

Vessels open: 10 a.m.

Last boarding: 4:10 p.m.

Admission:

Galleries & Exhibitions:

Adult (16+): AUD 7

Child (4-15): AUD 3.50

Child (under 4): free

Concession: AUD 3.50

Family (2+2/3): AUD 17.50

Big ticket (Galleries & Exhibitions + vessels + Kids on Deck):

Adult (16+): AUD 25

Child (4-15): AUD 15

Child (under 4): free

Concession: AUD 10

Family (2+2/3): AUD 65

Free entry to the permanent galleries: first Thu of the month (except public & school holidays)





Sydney Aquarium

Watch sharks swim right above you as you explore the rich marine life of Australia. An exciting attraction for the whole family.

Aquarium Pier, Darling Harbour, Sydney, NSW 2000, Australia

GPS: S33.86944, E151.20194

Phone:

+61 8251 7800

Opening hours:

Open daily: 9 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Last entry: 7 p.m.

Admission:

Adult (16+): AUD 38 (Online: from AUD 26)

Child (4-15): AUD 24 (Online: from AUD 16.80)

Child (under 3): free

Full-time student, senior with valid card: AUD 31.50 (Online: from AUD 25)

Family (2+2): AUD 120 (Online: from AUD 79)

Buy tickets online and save up to 30%.

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Sydney Tower Eye

The tallest building in the city. Climb up to the top and see Sydney spread out underneath you.

100 Market Street, Sydney, NSW 2000, Australia

GPS: S33.87046, E151.20889

Phone:

+61 9333 9222

Opening hours:

Open daily: 9 a.m. – 10:30 p.m.

Last entry: 9:30 p.m.

Christmas Day: closed

Admission:

Sydney Tower Eye:

Adult (16+): AUD 26 (Online: from AUD 18.20)

Child (4-15): AUD 15 (Online: from AUD 10.50)

Concession (online only): AUD 16

Family (2+2): AUD 82 (Online: from AUD 54)

SKYWALK + Observation Deck:

Adult (16+): AUD 69 (Online: from AUD 48.50)

Child (8-15): AUD 45 (Online: from AUD 30.50)

Buy tickets online and save up to 30%.

Children under 8 are not permitted on SKYWALK. All children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian aged 18+.

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St Mary's Cathedral

The majestic cathedral and its ornate decor make for a wondrous sight. Do not miss especially on Sunday morning when you can hear the bells.



St Mary's Road, Sydney, NSW 2000, Australia
GPS: S33.87110, E151.21331

Phone:

+61 2 9220 0400

Opening hours:

Masses:

Mon – Fri: 6:45 a.m., 1:10 p.m., 5:30 p.m. (Choral Mass during School term:

Mon – Thu)

Sat: 9 a.m., noon; Sat Vigil: 6 p.m.

Sun: 7 a.m., 9 a.m., 10:30 a.m.

Public Holidays: noon

Admission:

Free entry.



State Theatre

A true Art Deco gem with breath-taking interior. Visit one of the live shows or films and see its beauty for yourself.



49 Market Street, Sydney, NSW 2000, Australia
GPS: S33.87100, E151.20728

Phone:

+61 2 9373 6655

Opening hours:

Tours:

Mon – Wed: 10 a.m., 1 p.m.

Box office:

Mon – Fri: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

or 2 hours prior to performances

Admission:

Tours:

Adult: AUD 22.50

Student with valid card, senior with a valid card: AUD 17.50

Child (12 and younger): AUD 14.50

The ticket prices of the performances vary.



Darling Harbour

You can find all kinds of entertainment in this vibrant part of the city. Dive in and enjoy the fun.



GPS: S33.87230, E151.19896

Opening hours:

Most stores at Harbourside Shopping Centre are open Mon – Sun: 10 a.m. – 9 p.m.

Opening hours of cafes, restaurants and shops vary.

Sydney Visitors Center:

Open daily: 9:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Good Friday, Christmas Day: closed



Queen Victoria Building

This amazing historical mall still works as a shopping centre and provides a unique experience with its elegant atmosphere.



455 George Street, Sydney, NSW 2000, Australia
GPS: S33.87189, E151.20675

Opening hours:

Lower Ground & Ground:

Mon – Sat: 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sun: 11 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Level 1 & Level 2:

Mon – Sat: 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. (Thu: 9 p.m.)

Sun: 11 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Opening hours of cafes and restaurants may differ.



Marble Bar

The bar caters to a younger crowd and features some amazing marble decor that gives it an atmosphere like no other.

488 George St, Sydney, NSW 2000, Australia

GPS: S33.87187, E151.20781

Phone:

+61 2 9266 2000

Opening hours:

Mon - Thu: 4 p.m. - midnight

Fri, Sat: 4 p.m. - 2 a.m.

Sun: 4 p.m. - midnight

Dec 24-25, Dec 31: closed



Hyde Park, Sydney

Sydney's most popular park. Stroll through, watch the people, see the monuments hidden here and have fun.

GPS: S33.87244, E151.21134

Opening hours:

The park is open to the public 24 hours a day.

Admission:

Free entry.



Australian Museum

Australia's oldest museum focused on natural sciences. A vast collection of intriguing exhibits on Australian wildlife, dinosaurs and more.

6 College Street, Sydney, NSW 2010, Australia

GPS: S33.87426, E151.21278

Phone:

+61 2 9320 6000

Opening hours:

Open daily: 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Christmas Day: closed

Admission:

Adult: AUD 12

Student ISIC Card, Senior: 65+: AUD 8

Child (5-15): AUD 6

Child (under 5): free

Family (2+2): AUD 30



ANZAC War Memorial

Devoted to the Australian Army and its sacrifices in WWI. A majestic monument and an architectural jewel.

GPS: S33.87574, E151.21091



Chinese Garden of Friendship

A beautiful oasis of harmony. A natural haven where you can discover the different sights you haven't seen yet.

GPS: S33.87654, E151.20263

Opening hours:

Open daily: 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Good Friday, Christmas Day: closed

Admission:

Adult: AUD 6

Child (under 12): AUD 3

Family (2+2): AUD 15

Audio Tour (English and Mandarin): AUD 4



