

# 25/25 Sydney Australia

The inevitable Sydney versus Melbourne debate can be summarised thus: Sydney is the beautiful, popular captain of the athletics team. Melbourne, the smart girl on the debating squad. Whatever your preference, Sydney will win you over with blue skies, water-soaked geography and a flair for making the good life just that little bit better.

## Essentials

- 01 Sydneysiders get up early – a run on the beach, a swim and breakfast are all achieved before 8am.
- 02 Want to avoid the Bondi hordes? Try Parsley Bay or Balmoral Beach. Sunscreen is essential all year round. Just 30 minutes of sun can burn.
- 03 Taking public transport? Check [131500.info](http://131500.info) to plan your journey.
- 04 Sydney Airport is close to the city and easily accessible by train. Otherwise it's a \$25 (€13) cab ride.
- 05 A glass of beer in Sydney is called a "schooner". A small glass is a "midi".

## Guide/Info

### Hotels

#### Independent and easy

**BLUE Sydney**  
The Wharf at Woolloomooloo, 6 Cowper Wharf Road, Woolloomooloo  
+ 61 2 9331 9000  
[tajhotels.com/sydney](http://tajhotels.com/sydney)

#### Dependable chain

**Sheraton on the Park Sydney**  
161 Elizabeth Street  
+ 61 2 9286 6000  
[starwoodhotels.com/sheraton](http://starwoodhotels.com/sheraton)

#### Premium

**Park Hyatt Sydney**  
7 Hickson Road, The Rocks  
+ 61 2 9241 1234  
[sydney.park.hyatt.com](http://sydney.park.hyatt.com)

### Dining

#### Fast breakfast

**Bills Woollahra**  
Queen's Court  
118 Queen Street, Woollahra  
+ 61 2 9328 7997  
[bills.com.au](http://bills.com.au)

#### Business breakfast

**Bambini Trust Café**  
185 Elizabeth Street  
+ 61 2 9283 7098  
[bambinitrust.com.au](http://bambinitrust.com.au)

#### Mid-morning coffee

**Koko Espresso Bar**  
118 Devonshire Street, Surry Hills  
+ 61 2 8399 0100

#### Working lunch

**Pendolino Ristorante**  
The Strand Arcade  
412-414 George Street  
+ 61 2 9231 6117  
[pendolino.com.au](http://pendolino.com.au)

#### Need-to-impress-clients lunch

**Flying Fish**  
Jones Bay Wharf Lower Deck, 19-21 Pirrama Road, Pyrmont  
+ 61 2 9518 6677  
[flyingfish.com.au](http://flyingfish.com.au)

### Lunch on your own

**Sosumi Sushi**  
GPO Building, No.1 Martin Place, 412-414 George Street  
+ 61 2 9229 7700  
[gposydney.com](http://gposydney.com)

### Afternoon tea/drink

**The Tea Room**  
Level 3, Queen Victoria Building  
455 George Street  
+ 61 2 9283 7279  
[thetearoom.com.au](http://thetearoom.com.au)

### Dinner with colleagues

**Spice Temple**  
10 Bligh Street  
+ 61 2 8078 1888  
[rockpool.com.au](http://rockpool.com.au)

### Big dinner with partner/clients

**Tetsuya's**  
529 Kent Street  
+ 61 2 9267 2900  
[tetsuyas.com](http://tetsuyas.com)

### Drinks after dinner

**Bambini Trust Wine Room**  
185 Elizabeth Street  
+ 61 2 9283 7098  
[bambinitrust.com.au](http://bambinitrust.com.au)

### On the tiles

**The Supper Club**  
134 Oxford Street, Darlinghurst  
+ 61 2 8324 5200  
[theoxfordhotel.com.au](http://theoxfordhotel.com.au)

### Reading

#### Bookshop

**Published Art Bookshop**  
23-33 Mary Street, Surry Hills  
+ 61 2 9280 2839  
[publishedart.com.au](http://publishedart.com.au)

### Thank yous

**Sparkle Cupcakery**  
132 Foveaux Street, Surry Hills  
+ 61 2 9361 0690  
[sparklecupcakery.com.au](http://sparklecupcakery.com.au)

### Shopping

#### Something you can't get anywhere else

**Textiles & homewares from Bird Textiles Emporium**  
380 Cleveland Street, Surry Hills  
+ 61 2 8399 0230  
[birdtextile.com](http://birdtextile.com)  
**Aussie fashion at Willow**  
3A Glenmore Road, Paddington  
+ 61 2 9358 4477  
[willowltd.com](http://willowltd.com)

#### Lost luggage – where to buy shirts, socks and underwear

**David Jones**  
65-77 Market Street  
+ 61 2 9266 5544  
[davidjones.com.au](http://davidjones.com.au)

#### Something for the kids

**Aussie confectionery – Caramello Koalas and Freddo Frogs.**

#### Something for someone you love

**Gourmet treats from Simon Johnson**  
55 Queen Street, Woollahra  
+ 61 2 8244 8255  
[simonjohnson.com.au](http://simonjohnson.com.au)

#### Something for yourself

**Beauty products by Aesop**  
72A Oxford Street, Paddington  
+ 61 2 9358 3382

### Two-hour tour

- 01 Take a water taxi to Ripples Café  
Chowder Bay Road, Mosman  
+ 61 2 9960 3000
- 02 The Museum of Contemporary Art  
140 George Street, The Rocks  
+ 61 2 9245 2400  
[mca.com.au](http://mca.com.au)
- 03 Walk to Taylor's Bay, Bradley's Head and Toronga Zoo.

### Limousine/car

**Advance Sydney Limousines**  
+ 61 2 4648 0173  
[advancesydneylimousines.com](http://advancesydneylimousines.com)

### Transport

#### Buy a pass

A weekly RED travel pass allows unlimited travel on bus, train and ferry for \$38 (€19).

### Fitness

#### Good gym

**Living Well Health Club**  
Hilton Hotel, 488 George Street  
+ 61 2 9273 8800  
[livingwell.com.au](http://livingwell.com.au)



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