

BUS ROUTES

Buses depart from Circular Quay regularly to the city and surrounds. It is advisable to buy an Opal Card or tap your credit card on buses, trains, ferries and light rails.

TAXIS/LIMOUSINE

SEVICES
Taxis, limousine chauffeur services and water taxis can be arranged with the Concierge Team. Limousine chauffeur services and water taxi services can be booked through the Concierge team.



FERRY SERVICES

Departing from Circular Quay, the local ferry service is the best and most cost effective way to experience Sydney Harbour. Please consult the Concierge for schedules and prices.

TRAVEL INFORMATION

For detailed and up to date public transport information on routes and timetables for trains, buses and ferries please see Concierge.

TIME STARVED?

One Hour

- Experience a unique look at the iconic Sydney Opera House with a venue tour.
- Enjoy a harbourside picnic at First Fleet Park or by Sydney’s Royal Botanic Gardens.

Two Hours

- Discover local produce at Sydney Fish Markets; the largest in the Southern Hemisphere.
- Explore the rich history, boutique shops and cobblestone laneways of The Rocks precinct.

Half a Day

- Learn to surf like a local at the beautiful Manly Beach, which can be accessed from Circular Quay by ferry.
- Bask in views of Sydney’s prized beaches with a coastal walk from Bondi to Coogee. Please see Concierge for more information.

WALKS & TRIPS

Royal Botanic Gardens

Admire the beauty of Sydney’s Royal Botanic Gardens, located across from the hotel. Jog alongside Sydney Harbour on the track that was used for the triathlon in the Sydney 2000 Olympics.

Sydney Harbour Bridge

Walk through the relaxing atmosphere of The Rocks up to Sydney Harbour Bridge. Those who are energetic can hike to the top of the pylon to send a postcard. There is also the option of walking across the bridge along the Expressway level, which can take approximately one hour.

WHERE THE CROWDS GO

Manly Beach

Take a local ferry over to Manly Beach. The trip will last 30 minutes and is one of the best ways to experience the magnificent Sydney Harbour. Enjoy lunch overlooking the Pacific Ocean at The Pantry Manly, in the historic ‘Beach House’.

LOCAL CULTURE

Gratuities

There is no obligation to tip in Australia. We believe in tipping for good service, so tip when you see fit.

Weather

With an average high of 27°C in summer, a hat and sunscreen are a must. Winter months are quite mild with an average maximum of 16°C, although it can be quite wet.

Smoking

Smoking is banned in restaurants, shopping centres, bars, clubs, taxis, entrances to public buildings and on public transport. There are dedicated areas for smoking with fines for individuals who smoke outside of these spaces.

PERSONALISE YOUR EXPERIENCE

Our unrivaled local knowledge allows us to find experiences that will truly enrich your stay. The concierge team will delight in providing tailored recommendations to suit your interests and needs.

DID YOU KNOW?

InterContinental Sydney

InterContinental Sydney was constructed in 1985 and is built around the NSW Treasury building of 1851, an important part of Sydney’s historic architecture. The hotel still houses the oldest heritage lift of the Southern Hemisphere as well as Australia’s first vault, which remains completely untouched.

The Rocks

The Rocks precinct is named after the sandstone found in the area. This material was used in many of the original buildings in Sydney including InterContinental Sydney. This district is also where the first European settlers set foot back in 1788.

Fort Denison

At 1:00pm every day a cannon is fired from Fort Denison to indicate the time to Sydneysiders. This practice started in 1906 and continued until WWII when it was stopped for fear of alarming residents. It recommenced firing in 1986.

Sydney

Sydney is known for multicultural diversity. There are over 200 nationalities represented in the city’s population.

MORNING

Set your alarm 30 minutes early and take a walk through the Royal Botanic Gardens. Enter via the Queen Elizabeth II Gate and head towards Sydney Opera House. Follow the waterfront path along to Mrs Macquaries Chair for an iconic photo opportunity and then walk to the beautiful Art Gallery of NSW to view some of the best Australian and international art Sydney has to offer.

AFTERNOON

Take a 30 minute flight aboard a seaplane and head due north over Sydney Heads, Manly Beach and the Northern Beaches. You will land at Cottage Point, to be met on arrival and seated at one of the locals’ best kept secret; The Cottage Point Inn. Enjoy modern Australian cuisine while relaxing and taking in the exquisite views. You may even have the opportunity to hand feed a friendly local bird called the Kookaburra.

EVENING

Watch the sunset whilst enjoying your pre theatre dinner at the award-winning Aria Restaurant. Once finished head to the Sydney Opera House for an evening performance which InterContinental Sydney’s Concierge has organised for you. Finish with a nightcap in The Treasury Bar & Lounge, which is open until late.

Travel is temporary, yet the journey is forever.

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EAT & DRINK

TREASURY BAR & LOUNGE

One of Sydney’s best kept secrets. With references to the roots of its location, the bar offers a flora-filled, all-day urban oasis where guests can enjoy flavours and stories from the past from a carefully cultivated menu of cocktails, wines and dishes.

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ASTER ROOFTOP BAR

Located on Level 32 upon the hotel’s coveted rooftop space, Aster offers an elevated experience with outdoor terrace welcoming uninterrupted views across Sydney’s skyline. Indulge creative cocktails, artful small plates and highly-personalised service.

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PONY DINING

Located in the heart of the historic Rocks area since 2006. The Argentinean wood fire grill is at the centre of the open kitchen, giving its signature flavour to an array of steak cuts, seafood and fresh vegetables.

Cnr Argyle Street and Kendall Lane, The Rocks
+61 2 9252 7797
Modern Australian / \$\$

PENDOLINO

Offering exquisite, hand-crafted Italian cuisine in an opulent, private setting. It is considered a dining institution within the Australian dining landscape.

Level 2 The Strand Arcade, 412-414 George Street
+61 2 9231 6117
Italian / \$\$\$

MR WONG’S

Reminiscent of a 1930’s Shanghai tea house, the food is authentic as are the wait staff dressed in vests and bow ties. Tucked away down a cobblestone laneway, Mr Wong’s is a local gem.

Bridge Lane, Sydney
+61 2 9240 3000
Cantonese / \$\$

RESTAURANT HUBERT

Classic French dishes showcased in a sophisticated venue featuring a lively bar & vintage décor. Live Jazz plays in the Beatrix Dining Room every day of the week.

15 Bligh St, Sydney
+61 2 9232 0881
French / \$\$

ROCKPOOL BAR & GRILL

Whether you’re seeking the best dining in Sydney, planning a romantic dinner, a professional business lunch, or simply the best steak in Sydney, the venue is an ideal destination. Additionally, the sophisticated wine bar is perfect for happy hour or after-work drinks.

66 Hunter Street, Sydney
+61 2 8099 7077
Steak & Seafood / \$\$\$

HARBOURFRONT SEAFOOD RESTAURANT

Serving the freshest Australian produce with a modern twist, and panoramic views of the Sydney Opera House and Sydney Harbour Bridge. This is the preferred place to showcase Sydney to visitors.

Bay 1-3, 7-27 Circular Quay West, The Rocks, Sydney
+61 2 9251 0894
Seafood / \$\$

SHOP

PITT STREET MALL

One of the largest malls in the Southern Hemisphere, Pitt Street Mall is the heart of Sydney shopping and includes many luxury fashion options including the famous David Jones department store.

Entry on the corner of King and Pitt St, Sydney

STRAND ARCADE

Built in 1891, the Strand Arcade is Australia’s oldest arcade housing a great range of local Australian designers and specialty stores.

412-414 George St, Sydney

QUEEN VICTORIA BUILDING

The QVB was built in 1898 and is now home to many boutiques ranging from fine jewellery and giftware to designer clothing labels.

455 George St, Sydney

PADDINGTON

Oxford Street in Paddington is home to many of Australia’s top designers and arguably the trendiest place to shop whilst in Sydney.

Oxford St, Sydney

BALMAIN

A local suburb known for its cafés, watering holes and shopping. Balmain is the perfect place to spend an afternoon.

Darling Rd, Balmain



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