

Sydney, New South Wales, Australia

Australia's harbour city delivers one of cruising's great arrivals — the Opera House and Harbour Bridge framing the skyline as your ship sails through Sydney Heads at dawn. Whether you step off at Circular Quay or transfer from White Bay, one of the world's great urban harbours is waiting.

Docked (two terminals — see below) Typical call: 8–12 hrs Australian Dollar (AUD) — city is nearly cashless English

👉 MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____	Arrive: _____	All aboard: _____
Excursion: _____	Notes: _____	

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Overseas Passenger Terminal (Circular Quay) or White Bay Cruise Terminal (Rozelle)

Walk to center: Immediate (OPT) or 20-min taxi/ferry (White Bay)

Best For: Opera House · Harbour Bridge · Beaches · Day trips

Don't Miss: BridgeClimb or the dawn sail-in through Sydney Heads

Getting around: **Taxi** ✓ AU\$15–20 (OPT to CBD); AU\$20–40 (White Bay to CBD) · **Rideshare** ✓ Uber, DiDi · **Hop-on hop-off** ✓ Big Bus Sydney

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Sydney Opera House & The Rocks** — Walk off the ship at Circular Quay and you're already there.
- **BridgeClimb Sydney Harbour Bridge** — Walk to the 134 m summit of the Harbour Bridge for a 360-degree panorama of harbour, city, and ocean.
- **Bondi Beach & Coastal Walk** — Train from Circular Quay to Bondi Junction, then bus to Bondi Beach (45 min total).
- **Taronga Zoo by Ferry** — A 12-minute ferry from Circular Quay Wharf 2 lands at the foot of Taronga Zoo, home to koalas, wombats, platypus, and giraffes overlooking the harbour.
- **Manly Beach by Ferry** — The 30-minute Manly Ferry from Circular Quay is one of the world's great harbour rides.

BEST WALKS

- **Circular Quay to The Rocks & Harbour Bridge Pylon** ~3 km · 2 hrs · easy — Walk from the Opera House along the waterfront to the Museum of Contemporary Art Australia, into The Rocks historic precinct, and up to the Harbour Bridge Pylon Lookout...
- **Royal Botanic Garden & Mrs Macquaries Chair** ~4 km · 1.5 hrs · easy — Walk east from Circular Quay through the Royal Botanic Garden along the harbour foreshore to Mrs Macquaries Chair, a sandstone bench carved in 1810 with the best Opera...
- **Bondi to Coogee Coastal Walk** ~6 km · 2–2.5 hrs · moderate — Sydney's best free coastal trail runs from Bondi Beach south along sandstone cliffs past Tamarama, Bronte, Clovelly, and Gordons Bay to Coogee Beach.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

🌤️ CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)				🇺🇸 DAYLIGHT & 💰 MONEY	
Mon	High	Low	Rain	Apr 6:17AM–5:32PM · Jun 6:58AM–4:52PM · Aug 6:34AM–5:25PM · Sep 5:55AM–5:46PM · Oct 6:14AM–7:08PM	
Apr	72°	59°	10d		
Jun	62°	49°	9d		
Aug	64°	48°	7d		
Sep	68°	51°	8d		
Oct	72°	56°	11d		

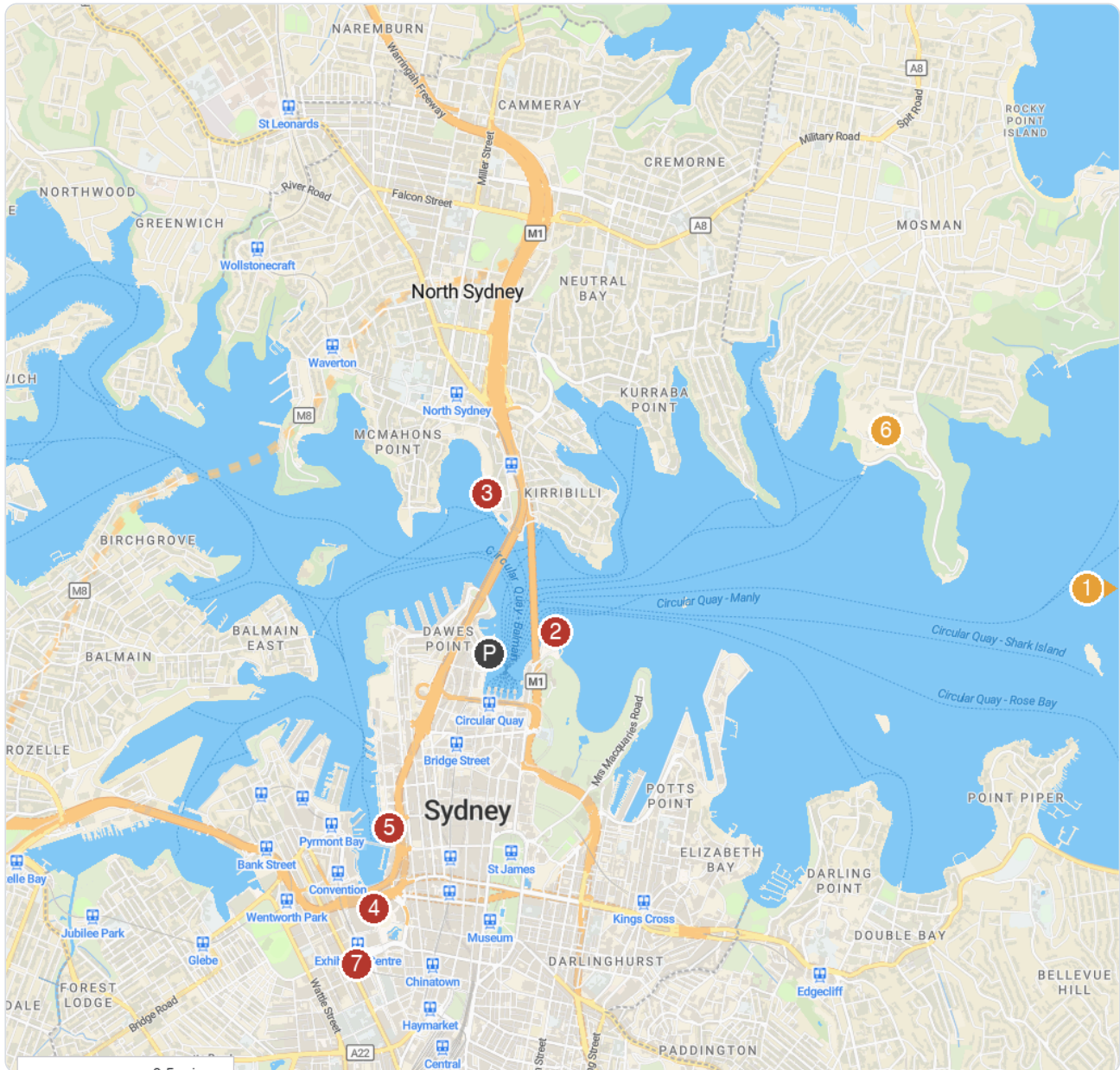
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Check your terminal first. OPT at Circular Quay = walk straight off into Sydney. White Bay = budget AUD 20–25 and 15 minutes for a taxi/rideshare, or catch bus 442 to Darling Harbour. It makes a big difference to your whole day.
- Book BridgeClimb before you leave home. Port-day slots sell out weeks in advance. The Express Climb (90 min) is best if time is short. Book at bridgeclimb.com.
- Declare biosecurity items or bin them at the terminal. Australia is strict about fresh fruit, wooden items, and many food products. Fines start at AUD 400+ and are issued on the spot. Biosecurity bins are at the terminal entrance — when in doubt, use them.
- Sydney is nearly cashless — tap your card everywhere. Trains, buses, ferries, cafes, and markets all accept contactless payment. Tipping is not expected; restaurants may add a 10–15% surcharge on Sundays and public holidays.
- The UV index is extreme, even on cloudy days. Apply SPF 50+ sunscreen, wear a hat, and drink plenty of water. Australia's UV regularly hits 'Extreme' from November through March.
- Sydney Fish Market is worth the detour. Take the L1 light rail from Central Station to the Fish Market stop. Order freshly shucked Sydney Rock Oysters or Singapore chili mud crab and eat on the boardwalk — and watch out for seagulls.

Sydney, New South Wales, Australia — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



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| 1 Macquarie Lighthouse | Australia's oldest working lighthouse, offering stunning ocean views. | 2 Sydney Opera House | Iconic performing arts centre with distinctive shell-like sails. |
| 3 Luna Park Sydney | Historic amusement park with rides and harbour views. | 4 Darling Harbour | Vibrant harbourside precinct with dining, entertainment, and attractions. |
| 5 SEA LIFE Sydney Aquarium | Large aquarium showcasing Australian marine life, including sharks and dugongs. | 6 Taronga Zoo Sydney | Premier zoo with native and exotic animals, plus harbour views. |
| 7 Powerhouse Ultimo | Museum of applied arts and sciences, featuring technology and design. | P Cruise port / terminal | |