

Transport Information

While vast distances separate the major cities in Australia, travelling between the different states and territories is also possible via rail, road or air. Transport in and around Sydney is relatively easy, with a variety of modes available:

Walking

Many areas of the CBD of Sydney can be easily accessed on foot – enjoy the sights of the city and the summer weather! Be aware of walking alone, particularly at night, and walk in well-lit areas.

Car (taxi)

Taxis (cabs) are common and accessible at a taxi rank, by hailing on the street, or by ordering by phone. An illuminated "TAXI" sign on the top of the car indicates that they are available for service. Costs can be expensive if travelling a long distance, and passengers are responsible for paying fares and tolls from the journey. Taxis will generally accept payment by cash or card. Taxi's have a metre to calculate the fare which is visible in the middl e of the front dashboard, you will be expected to pay the fare indicated and any additional tolls.

Train	
Lime Taxis	135 463 (offers priority pick-up for accessible fares)
Silver Service Fleet	133 100
Taxi Combined Services	133 300

Train

CityRail trains service Sydney and its surrounding suburbs with frequent trains on several different transport lines. The major train stations in the city include Circular Quay (next to the Opera House and Harbour Bridge), Wynyard, Town Hall and Central (from north to south), with additional stations at Martin Place, Museum and St James on a city circle line. The Town Hall station is walking distance to Darling harbour (10 minutes) or you can transfer to the overground monorail to Darling Harbour. Train fares are reasonable and can be purchased as a single ticket, or return ticket. Tickets are electronic and must be passed through a gate when entering and exiting from the train station. Train timetables can be accessed online (www.131500.com.au), by phone 13 15 00, or at any train station. When travelling at night, travel in the carriage marked with a blue light, which is closest to the Guard's compartment, for safety. A day ticket is valid for return use until 04:00 the following morning.

Bus

Many bus services are available in Sydney, both public and private. Sydney Buses are most frequently used in the CBD. Tickets may be purchased when getting onto a bus – please ensure you have small change as drivers do not carry much change. Some buses will require you to have the correct fare. To disembark from the bus, press the red 'stop' button, available at each seat, and the driver will stop at the next bus stop. Bus timetables can be accessed online (www.131500.com.au) or by phone 13 15 00.

The well-known red Sydney Explorer bus is an air-conditioned tourist bus which allows you to visit 27 Sydney attractions. Commentary is provided onboard regarding the attractions near each bus stop, and you can hop on and off the buses at your leisure. Buses run 7 days a week, starting at Circular Quay at 08:40 and running every 20 minutes until the last service returns to Circular Quay at 19:20. Tickets can be purchased on board or from Transit Shops. A one-day adult pass costs \$39, child \$19, family \$97. 2 day passes are also available.

Similarly, a Bondi Explorer bus runs through the Eastern Suburbs, accessing 19 destinations along the 30km route. Buses also run from Circular Quay, and tickets are the same price as for the Sydney Explorer bus.

Ferry

Ferries service the beautiful harbour and waterways of Sydney. Ferries will dock in the city at Circular Quay train and ferry terminal, located next to the Harbour Bridge and Opera House. Various ferry routes are available, including travel north to Manly, east to Watsons Bay, west to Balmain and Parramatta, and north to Taronga Zoo. Ferry timetables can be accessed online (www.131500.com.au) or by phone 13 15 00

Combined services

NSW Government services (CityRail trains, Sydney Buses, and Sydney Ferries) offer some combined tickets which may be useful when accessing more than one type of transport in a day. Tickets can be purchased at most train stations, transit shops, or on board buses and ferries. These include:

- **Day Tripper** a ticket which includes unlimited transport on trains, buses, and most ferries for a day. The ticket will also provide a discount on admission to various Sydney attractions including Luna Park, National Maritime Museum, OceanWorld Manly, Powerhouse Museum, Sydney Aquarium and Taronga Zoo. Tickets cost \$17.00 for adults, and \$8.60 for children.
- Family Fare Deal when at least one paying adult accompanies their children, the adult pays for their ticket and the first child's ticket (at child fare), and any remaining children travel for free. The family fare deal is available with Day Tripper tickets.
- **Children's tickets –** Young children under 4 years of age travel for free on public transport. Children aged 4-15 receive a child's fare.
- Sydney Pass Allows unlimited travel for 3, 5 or 7 days, within an 8 day period. This includes Sydney Explorer buses, Bondi Explorer buses, Sydney Buses, Sydney Ferries, and selected CityRail trains. You will also receive a bonus return transfer on the Airport Link trains, and discounts to Sydney attractions. Tickets cost from \$110 for adults (3 days), \$55 for children (3 days), or \$275 for families (3 days) (2 adults and all children from the same immediate family).

Please enquire for more offers available and details of these tickets.

Light Rail

The Light Rail runs through the CBD, from Lilyfield, past the Fish Markets, Star City Casino, the Sydney Convention and Exhibition Centre, and into Central station in the centre of the city. Stations are dotted along the route, and the light rail runs 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, every 10-15 minutes from 06:00 to 00:00, and every 30 minutes from 00:00 to 06:00. Purchase tickets onboard from a conductor.

Monorail

The Monorail travels high above the streets on a circuit around Sydney City, from Darling Harbour, to Paddy's Markets, City Centre and returning to Darling Harbour. The monorail runs 364 days a year (closed Christmas), Monday to Thursday from 07:00 to 22:00, Friday and Saturday 07:00 to 00:00, and Sunday 08:00 to 22:00. It travels past stations every 3-5 minutes. Purchase tickets from monorail stations.