



TOURIST ATTRACTIONS

10 great things to see and do in Sydney

Sydney

1 SYDNEY EXPLORER: A great way to see all the major sites, the Sydney Explorer bus departs from Circular Quay approximately every 18 minutes from early morning to late afternoon every day. You can hop on or hop off wherever you like. There's no need to book, just jump onboard at any of the distinctive red stops and buy your ticket from the driver. Adults: \$39, kids \$19.

2 BRIDGECLIMB: climb over and through Sydney's most famous icon, the Harbour Bridge. The climb, which takes three hours, begins with a briefing in BridgeClimb's training centre, where you are provided with a grey climbing suit and a harness that is later linked to a static line once you reach the catwalk. It is an easy walk, just lots of steps. You will need to wear rubber soled shoes. Climbs start at \$169. Telephone (02) 8274 7777 or book online at www.bridgeclimb.com.

3 MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ART: museum dedicated to exhibiting, interpreting and collecting contemporary art from across Australia and around the world, with a continually changing programme of exhibitions. 140 George Street, The Rocks. Open daily, 10am-5pm. Free entry.

4 MUSEUM OF SYDNEY: built on the ruins of the house of Australia's first governor-general, Governor Phillip, the Museum of Sydney explores colonial and contemporary Sydney through objects, pictures and new digital media techniques. Cnr Phillip and Bridge Streets. Open daily 9.30am-5pm. Adult \$10, kids \$5.

5 DIVING WITH SHARKS: Oceanworld Manly is home to seven grey adult nurse sharks. The Aquarium runs a diving with sharks programme for both divers and non-divers where you get inside the tank and up close and personal with huge grey nurse sharks, giant stingrays, sea turtles, wobbegong sharks, moray eels and a vast array of marine life. Introductory Program \$245. Bookings necessary, call (02) 8251 7878. www.oceanworld.com.au.

6 BONZA BIKES: fully-guided three-hour bike ride begins at the Opera House and meanders through some of Sydney's most colourful inner city precincts. Tours meet daily at 10.30am and 2.30pm and are designed for all levels of fitness and bikes are included. Prices start at around \$70 adult, \$50 for kids. Tel: (02) 9331 1127. www.bonzabiketours.com.

7 SAILING: there is no better place to learn to sail than Sydney. Sydney By Sail offers introductory level courses which cover the basics of sailing. East Sail, based at Rushcutters Bay, also operate a sailing school and sailing regattas for small groups, as well as sightseeing harbour cruises. www.sydneybysail.com.au, www.eastsail.com.au.

8 SKYWALK: walk across Sydney's skyline more than a quarter of a kilometre above the city at the top of Sydney Tower, twice the height of the Sydney Harbour Bridge. There are also glass-floored viewing platforms overhanging the tower providing an eye-popping new perspective of the city below. From \$89. www.skywalk.com.au.

9 HELICOPTER TOURS: Sydney Heli Tours has a range of helicopter tours of the city and surrounds. Once over the city airspace, the pilot circles the well known landmarks of the harbour – photographers are in heaven as they snap picture postcard perfect shots in all directions. Tour prices vary. Call (02) 9317 3402 or visit www.sydneyhelitours.com.au.

10 SYDNEY HARBOUR KAYAKS: offers full and half-day guided kayaking tours of Middle Harbour, Manly and Garigal National Park. Half-day tours cost \$99 per person and depart Saturday and Sundays and include all equipment, guide and refreshments. To book, contact Sydney Harbour Kayaks on (02) 9960 4389. www.sydneyharbourkayaks.com.au