

RESTAURANTS/DINING OUT

Sydneysiders love to eat out with so many excellent restaurant choices both in the city and suburbs. There is a vast variety of cuisines from all around the world often cooked by people from the place of origin. Given Sydney's proximity to the ocean there is also a large variety of fresh seafood restaurants.

Tipping is generally expected for extra or friendly service, usually 10% to 15%. On the bill there will be a separate amount for GST (Goods and Service Tax) – 10% of the total. There is often a surcharge applied for dining on public holidays and sometimes Sunday's.

Licensed restaurants may have a full bar service, supplying wine, spirits and beer, while unlicensed restaurants, known as 'BYO' (Bring Your Own), allow diners to take their own wine to consume with their meal, a 'corkage' fee is usually but not always charged.

Some areas of Sydney have seasonal cultural food festivals celebrating traditional ethnic cuisines and street food (hawker style) food courts are situated in most of the larger shopping malls. These are very popular places to eat even with non-shoppers. Takeaway and 'Uber Eats/Door Dash/Menulog' home delivery service is very popular too.

Below are some links that will help locate a restaurant for most occasions:

- [Best Restaurants in Sydney - Time Out](#)
- [Cheap Eats - Good Food](#)

BARS AND NIGHTCLUBS

Sydney is a vibrant city full of bars, clubs and many other options for nightlife entertainment. As Sydney covers a large physical area, the choice of nightlife options usually depends on both where one lives and how far one is prepared to travel.

Live music venues are popular as are quiet and cozy cocktail lounges.

Below are some links to find an array of different bars and night spots in Sydney:

- [Entertainment - Concrete Playground](#)
- [Best Bars in Sydney - Time Out](#)