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Top 10 Sydney (EYEWITNESS TOP 10 TRAVEL GUIDES)





Synopsis

DK Eyewitness Travel Guide: Top 10 Sydney will lead you straight to the very best Sydney has to offer. Whether you're looking to visit the spectacular Sydney Opera House, experience one of the city's best restaurants, bars, or clubs, or relax at one of the world-renowned Sydney beaches, this guide is the perfect companion, taking the best of the printed guidebook and adding new eBook-only features. Rely on dozens of Top 10 lists--from the Top 10 museums, sporting venues, beaches, and pools to the Top 10 events and festivals, music and theater venues, and day trips. There's even a list of the Top 10 things to avoid. The guide is divided by area, each with its own photo gallery and with clear maps pinpointing the top sights. You also can view each location in Google Maps if reading on an Internet-enabled device. You'll find the insider knowledge you need to explore every corner in DK Eyewitness Travel Guide: Top 10 Sydney, now with a sleek new eBook design.

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Customer Reviews

These Top 10 guides by DK Eyewitness are great when one is spending only a few days in one of

the world's great cities, in this case, Sydney. (Previously, we used the Top 10 Guide for Athens and found it to be very helpful there as well). This Top 10 provides great detail on the Sydney Harbor Bridge, the fascinating back story and floor plans for the Opera House, and inviting descriptions of The Rocks, Darling Harbor, Toranga Zoo, Bondi and Manly Beaches, and tells you how to get around using the ferries, buses, and walking. It has a pullout map in the back and several maps showing graduated detail, so it was very helpful to stay oriented. Like all of DK's Eyewitness Guides, you get history, great graphics and photographs, and suggestions for how to get the most out of one or two days of exploring etc. We used this book to plan our trip (we knew we wanted to sign up for the "bridgeclimb" in advance and this book provided the details that we needed). However, we ran up against what, for us, was a huge disappointment with this specific guide. One of the Top 10 categories for Sydney is restaurants. We have always relied on the descriptions and price range (from \$ to \$\$\$\$\$) in the Eyewitness Guides to decide where we will dine. In this case we picked Aria, which is one of the best in Sydney, and had a price designation of \$\$\$. WELL, this was completely off base, and when we sat down with the menus in front of us and saw that appetizers where \$40 AUS and main courses were \$60 AUS...we were stunned! We had chosen the restaurant based upon the description and price info in this guide and brought two other couples with us. The food was good and the service was excellent, as described, but the price point was completely inaccurate and greatly exceeded our budget. We stayed, and did our best to limit the damage to our wallets, but it was beyond disappointing and embarrassing, as my husband and I had selected this place. In general, we are great fans of DK Eyewitness Guides because they not only provide great descriptions of places of interest, but they are also very good at restaurant and hotel description and recommendations. They generally provide an accurate price range, and apt descriptions of the food and ambiance. (In this case, we were disappointed and inconvenienced, as we discussed above, with the inaccurate designation of a restaurant's elevated price range, hence the removal of one star) We have been using these guides for over 15 years, when we travel abroad, and have found that we can usually rely on the information contained within them. We find the history of each place, the timelines of events, the color graphics, maps and photographs to be user-friendly, very helpful and engaging.

I like the simple format of this guide and the fact that it is small enough to carry along. The pull-out maps are terrific if you have the hard copy. I have the Kindle version, and still found them helpful, and based on what I saw and read I was able to print out a couple of small maps from the web. This definitely is not the "everything you ever wanted to know" approach, but for someone with a shorter

attention span (me, for instance), this succinct guide was terrific.

Great, handy resource that is easy to carry. It helps tame the city. Not exhaustive information, but the information you need to see what is worth seeing. Highly recommend it. I also found it a nice read on the plane to Australia...which often happens to be a long ride.

great book that lists the top things to do while in Sydney. Sydney is a big city so it was nice to have it condensed in this book somewhat.

This was very, very helpful before and during our trip. We especially liked the handy, removable maps and and transportation information. The information was relevant/current and we definitely used this portable little book. We highly recommend this for your trip to Sydney!

A good deal of usefull information however the print is too small for those who are a bit older. Using it as pocket guide is challenging when you have to pull on your glasses every time you want to check something particularly on the maps

The pull out maps were very helpful. I would recommend avoiding the top 10 as they are over-rated and over-priced. Focus on the other things the book has to offer.

The promise of this book is a simple summary of what to do in Sydney for a short trip. Alas, there are too many lists to be simple, yet not as much detail as a typical guidebook.

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