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## Surry Hills Pocket Guide

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## Dine

Whether you're after a luxe locale to impress clients, or in need of a tasty lunch break option, Surry Hills boasts a broad selection of Sydney's greatest dining experiences.

### 1 - Firedoor

The heat is on in this industrial-style fine diner focusing on wood-fired cooking from the Michelin-starred hands of Lennox Hastie. He's the ex chef of the Basque country's Asador Etxebarri, widely considered one of the finest restaurants in the world

### 2 - Berta

This pocket-sized industrial trattoria packs a mighty punch with its modern Italian flavours. The chalkboard's daily menu keeps the flow of repeat visits steady - hardly surprising when it's shares lineage with local favourites Vini and 121BC

### 3 - Master

An energetic hub where young chefs who've clocked up collective experience in the kitchens of Quay, Momofuku Seiobo and Noma experiment with creative and deliciously playful takes on Chinese cooking

### 4 - Nomad

A Nordic warehouse-style eatery set amongst the 'hood's top-tier creative agencies. Watch the drama unfold from the central kitchen over shared plates with a Moorish influence whilst sampling wines from its cavernous cellar door

### 5 - Spice I Am

Authentic hawker-style Thai at its best: fast, fresh, flavoursome and inexpensive. Persevere with the queue (it moves quickly). Your tastebuds will be richly rewarded (if not set mildly on fire!)

### 6 - Relish Food Co

Nab a window seat in this quaint sunlit café and delve into a zesty salad or chunky chicken sandwich with spicy lime mayo, wild rocket and tomato over a quick lunch break

### 7 - Chur Burger

Peddled as Sydney's best gourmet burger joint for grown-ups where sides of chilled beer and sweet potato fries are mandatory. Chur is Kiwi slang for 'awesome,' and that it is when you can grab take-away for the office.

### 8 - Pasta Emilia

Embrace carbohydrates with house-made pastas including pillows of ravioli plumped with kale flowers and pecorino. Cabinets displaying salami, cheese, fresh fettuccini and sauces make it a one-stop lunch spot to load up on dinner supplies

### 9 - About Life

A sprawling organic supermarket that's successfully brought back the self-serve salad bar. Pack as much as you can into your \$10 box, with everything from hot, cold, vegetarian and vegan offerings. Alfresco seating available out front

### 10 - Kwila

Nestled in the tail end of Foster Street, this hole-in-the-wall café offers great coffee and cold-pressed juices, plus hearty organic salads. Try the avocado on toast with house-made chimichurri sauce and smashed eggs before work



## Drink

For a potent mix of organic wine, craft beer, mastered cocktails and whisky havens with a twist of good times, Surry Hills never fails to satisfy your thirst

### 1 - Kagura

Easily mistaken for a roadside sushi stop, this authentic izakaya has a surprising selection of rare whiskies and whimsical smoked cocktails (try the Youth of the Beast). Wrap your chopsticks around its exquisite regional Japanese nibbles too

### 2 - Dead Ringer

Fresh and aromatic concoctions brought to you by the cocktail masters behind Bulletin Place. Enjoy tipples on the terrace balcony out front and seasonal dishes with genius flavour pairings in the diner out back. Expect all things on point, of the moment and on trend, including staff and clientele

### 3 - The Carrington

Pitched on the prettiest corner of Bourke Street, the vibe is relaxed and local with plenty of happy hours thrown in for good measure. Its rear Euro-inspired bistro takes pub fare up a notch at remarkably democratic prices

### 4 - The Wild Rover

This two-storey boozier takes Celtic hospitality to a new level! Whilst cosy after work, it's festive on the weekends with plenty of pewter ale mugs clinking in the background. Forget signage, look for a burly guardian of the green door

### 5 - Baccomatto Osteria

A rustic osteria disguised in a minimalistic white bunker offering classic aperitivo from its slick marble island bar. Sidle up to snack on salumi and formaggi, or settle in with a bottle of Chianti over a bowl of pasta

### 6 - Tokyo Bird

An authentic and compact Japanese saké, whisky and yakitori den tucked away down a quiet lane. You can easily get lost in translation after a few Suntory's on ice! All that's missing is Bill Murray and a karaoke machine

### 7 - MoVida

For an evening of tapas tasting and sherry sampling or a quick pre-Belvoir Theatre dinner, slink into Frank Camorra's suave Sydney outpost. Don't miss the goat's curd and quince cigars whilst navigating your way through the Spanish wine list

### 8 - Keg & Brew

A haven for modern hunters of craft beers and dark spirits. The saloon-style bar with leather banquettes and a liberal smattering of cowhide and mounted taxidermy beasts offers over thirty craft beers on tap and a respectable selection of bourbons and whiskies.

### 9 - Shakespeare Hotel

Dodge the punters and head upstairs at 'The Shakey' to the parlour-style rooms with vintage velvet couches and Victorian dining tables nestled under antler chandeliers. To eat or not to eat? Hell yes, the pub nosh is cheap and tasty with generous servings

### 10 - The Standard Bowl

Live music, pool, pinball and a 4-lane bowling alley to boot in the infamous Taylor Square funhouse. Slip into Middlebar for a taste of Old Havana cocktails and grab a juicy bite from Johnny Wong's Dumpling Bar as you saunter up the stairs.



## Do

Whether you're in need of retail therapy, entertainment or exercise, Surry Hills has all of your bases covered

### 1 - A. P. C

The French brand delivers everyday staples with a timeless luxury for madams and monsieurs. You'll find button downs and cotton trenchies in quality European fabrics plus well-crafted leather bags and shoes

### 2 - Golden Age Cinema and Bar

Slink into a glorious time warp inside the emerald green Art Deco screening room of the former Paramount Pictures head office. The program harks back to cult classics with a sprinkling of new release arthouse flicks. Better still, the swanky adjoining underground bar would get David Lynch's seal of approval

### 3 - Planet

If the sandalwood scent emanating from this luxury and sustainable homewares store doesn't lure you in, the glimpse of locally crafted ceramics, recycled vintage fabrics and modernist furniture will. It's brilliant for intrinsically beautiful and original gifts, even if you end up giving them to yourself

### 4 - Carousel

A marketplace hosted biannually by The Office Space and the Surry Creative Precinct in Harmony Park. Local businesses including designers, retailers, agencies and café owners showcase their wares and services against a backdrop of cool urban beats

### 5 - The Standard Store

A treasure trove merchandising effortlessly cool clothing and quirky accessories for him and her. Perennial favourites include dresses with inspired prints from Sessùn, Carven's offbeat gamine designs, and YMC for an understated yet distinctive edge

### 6 - Insight by The Office Space

An innovative evening talk series held monthly at the Golden Age Cinema. Three inspiring entrepreneurs across various creative fields reveal the secrets behind the evolution of their strategies and brand whilst you sip on bubbles

### 7 - In Yoga

Salute the sun before the office beckons, squeeze in a lunchtime session, or settle into this warehouse-style sanctuary en route home. Practices run all day offering meditation plus alignment and dynamic flow classes to recharge your chakras

### 8 - The Stables

Sift through minimalist racks displaying designs by international favourites including James Perse, Ètre Cécile, and T by Alexander Wang with go-to Aussie labels bassike and Whillas and Gunn. Plan the first outing of your new purchase over a latte in the laneway café out back

### 9 - Wild Life Sogo

For a fab cut and colour by stylists called upon during Sydney Fashion Week without the slick price tag, look no further. The mane event here is making you look good

### 10 - Rapha Cycle Club Sydney

Park your bike and settle in for a host of cycle-centric events including Tour de France screenings over a refueling brekky. Sign up for club rides catering to all skill sets, then head upstairs to kit yourself out in the London-based label's high-style lycra so you can at least look the part