



# **GROUP INFORMATION PACK**

## **Welcome to Sydney Beachouse YHA!**

Thank you for your enquiry regarding accommodation at Sydney Beachouse YHA. Conveniently located just across from Collaroy Beach and the bus stop, Sydney Beachouse YHA offers groups affordable accommodation and modern facilities in one of the largest YHAs in the Australia.

We can accommodate groups of all shapes, sizes and ages up to approximately 120 people. If your group exceeds this limit, please contact us to discuss your requirements before making a booking.

### **The Facilities**

Sydney Beachouse YHA offers a wide range of facilities that include:

- Comfortable 4 and 6 share dormitory-style accommodation for group members
- Limited twin/double or ensuite family rooms for group leaders.
- Catering for breakfast, lunch and dinner
- Meeting and conference facilities available on request
- Wheelchair access
- Lockers in all shared rooms
- Room card keys for security
- Tour booking service
- Internet and email access
- Secure parking
- Mini supermarket
- 2 TV lounges
- Laundry facilities
- Games room
- Heated swimming pool

### **YHA's Commitment to your Group**

- YHA will take all reasonable precautions to ensure the safety and security of your group and their property.
- You will be allocated separate group bedrooms and will not be expected to share with other guests not in your group.
- If your group comprises of children under 18 years old your group leaders, including the coach driver and any other accompanying adults will be allocated separate rooms from the group if requested.
- These rooms will be allocated as close to the group to facilitate effective supervision. If however you have a group of a young age and prefer to be in the same room as them, this can be arranged.

### **Risk Management**

- YHA is pro-active in taking preventative measures at each property to ensure we maintain the highest possible standards in the field of risk management.
- Great emphasis is placed on safety; YHA hostels undergo regular site checks by the maintenance department and the hostel Manager.
- All large YHAs are well equipped for any emergency including fire and comply with all fire legislation requirements. The fire safety systems in place cover fire detection, emergency warning, first attack fire fighting equipment and means of escape.

## Fire safety equipment includes:

- Smoke detectors in all bedrooms and common rooms
- Emergency control panel
- Fire evacuation panel
- Fire stairwell pressurisation
- Fire hydrants
- Fire extinguishers
- Fire hose reels

All large operated YHAs employ the services of a fire evacuation specialist to deliver training to staff members on evacuation procedures. Staff at Sydney Beachouse YHA attend fire-training sessions (with First 5 Minutes and the NSW Fire Brigade and all fire equipment is checked by a contract company on a regular basis.

YHA co-ordinates an annual Fire safety evacuation in which all YHA hostels in NSW participate. The purpose of this is to ensure that all staff are aware of the actions to take in the event of a fire and to protect our guests. It also provides us with the chance to ensure that all fire equipment and alarms are working correctly. At this time the Operations department requests information on the last fire safety checks in each hostel.

The security systems at Sydney Beachouse include the following:

- Electronic door swipes on all bedroom doors, bathrooms and several of the common areas
- Lockers are provided in all dormitory rooms to store valuables
- Valuable storage is also available behind the counter at reception
- Staff patrol the building on a daily basis
- 24 hour video surveillance in common areas

**Public Liability Insurance**      Every YHA hostel has current public liability insurance.

**Nearest Medical Centre**      Dee Why Family Medical Centre  
2 Dee Why Parade, Dee Why 2099  
9971 7466

**Nearest Hospital**              Mona Vale Hospital  
Coronation Street, Mona Vale 2103  
(02) 9998 0333

## The Accommodation

- All bedding is provided (doonas, sheets and pillows) however you must bring towels.
- Bathroom facilities are situated on each floor and shared by the people staying in dormitory-style and twin/double rooms.
- Please note that due to the layout of rooms, groups may be located on different levels.

## Group Rates

(NB: all prices are quoted in Australian Dollars and inclusive of GST).

- Dormitory room (4 or 6 share) **\$30** per person per night
- Double or Twin (bunk-style) room **\$82** per room per night
- Trio (double with single bunk) **\$100** per room per night
- 4 person Family Room (double, double bunk, TV, tea and coffee, ensuite) **\$120** per room per night.
- 5 person Family Room (double, 3 singles, TV, tea and coffee, ensuite) **\$120** per room per night.

## **Shuttle Bus**

We do not have our own shuttle, but we can organise a local shuttle bus for you. Prices vary, so please contact us for more information.

## **Meals**

Crave on Collaroy Café is adjoined to the YHA, and can cater for groups of up to 120 at one time. Continental breakfast or a full cooked breakfast, lunch and dinner are available\*. We can cater for special dietary requirements.

All meals must be booked in advance and the balance must be paid at least 21 days prior to arrival, direct to the café owner. Contact us if you require meals within 21 days of arrival.

*\*For menu, prices and booking form see overleaf.*

## **Meeting Room**

We can arrange a reserved meeting space on request, in either of our two TV Rooms or our Quiet Room.

Cost: **\$60** per session

## **Group Membership**

Groups booking accommodation at any YHA must hold a current group membership.

### **Benefits**

- Special lower member's rates for groups at Sydney YHA hostels and right around Australia.
- Group membership is valid for most YHA accommodation all over the world.
- Free activity coordination service for groups staying with YHA in Sydney.
- Information from YHA on a regular basis including our Making Trax newsletter specially for group leaders
- Access to discount-priced travel services.
- Opportunity to participate as a member of YHA – a not for profit organisation governed by its members.

### **How to Join**

It is advisable to apply for group membership in your home country if visiting from overseas. Contact us for your local YHA Association details. Group membership only covers persons travelling as part of a registered group, not individual travellers.

In Australia group membership costs \$42 and is valid for 12 months worldwide. You can apply for an Australian group membership on the Group Booking Form. Please note your new membership card will be issued on arrival, unless otherwise requested.

## Location and Transport

Sydney Beachouse YHA is located in Collaroy St (off Pittwater Rd) at Collaroy Beach. See transport information below.

Please feel free to contact me if you require any further information or would like a tour of the YHA. We look forward to having you stay with us!

Kind regards

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**SYDNEY BEACHOUSE**  
YHA COLLAROY BEACH

## HOW TO REACH THE HOSTEL & PARKING

### By Bus

From Central Station, you can catch the L90 or L88 bus to Collaroy Shops. This takes about 45 minutes.

From Manly, catch either the 151, 155, 156, 157 or 158 buses to Collaroy Shops.

### By Ferry

Catch the ferry from Circular Quay to Manly.  
Then catch the bus to Collaroy Shops (see above).  
Ferries run from 6.00 am to midnight.

### By Plane

There is a train service running every 10 minutes between 5am and 11pm from the airport terminal. It only takes 13 minutes to reach Central Station.

You can then catch a bus from Central Station (see above).

### By Shuttle

The Beachside Shuttle & Coaches Australia is a reliable service that runs 24/7, and they are available for charter.  
Book now on: (02) 9982 2757 or go to <http://www.beachsideshuttle.com/>

### Parking

Limited secure parking is available. Reception staff will provide you with a swipe key and point you in the right direction.



## GROUP CATERING OPTIONS

### Breakfast

#### ***\$7.50 per head:***

- Assorted selection of cereals (Weetbix, Cornflakes, Just Right etc)
  - Muesli with fruit & yoghurt
  - Toast white/ grain/ wholemeal/ range of spreads – i.e.: jams, vegemite, honey
  
  - Range of drinks: Tea, Coffee, Milk, Soy, Juice (concentrated)
  - Assorted fresh fruit
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### Lunch

#### ***\$10 per head:***

- Wraps (assorted)
  - Salad
  - Ham, Cheese, Tomato, Lettuce
  - Chicken, Avocado, Lettuce, Carrot
  - Salami, Cheese, Lettuce
- A piece of fruit
  
- Range of soft drinks (cans), or juices (poppers)

#### ***\$8.00 per head:***

- Rolls (assorted)
  - Salad
  - Ham, Cheese, Tomato
  - Chicken leaf, Lettuce, Cheese
- Piece of fruit
  
- Range of soft drinks (cans) or juices (poppers)

#### ***\$10 per head:***

- Pesto Pasta (cold) with fetta, sun-dried tomatoes, olives, pine nuts. (Takeaway)
  - Range of soft drinks (cans) or juices (poppers)
  - Range of bread /roll
  - Piece of fruit
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## Dinner

### **\$10 per head:**

- Spaghetti Bolognese/ Vegetables catered for, served with garlic/ herb bread
- Mixed Garden Salads
- Soft drink i.e. Coke, Lemonade etc.
- Range of Coffee, Teas, Juices

(Please specify number of vegetarian meals prior)

### **\$12 per head:**

- Beef/Chicken Satay stir fry, Vegetables/Hokkien Noddles/Rice
- Soft drink i.e. Coke, Lemonade etc.
- Range of Coffee, Teas, Juices

(Please specify number of vegetarian meals prior)

Contact us if you are interested in arranging any alternative meals or for the arrangement of meals outside of these hours.

Email: [craveoncollaroy@gmail.com](mailto:craveoncollaroy@gmail.com)

*Information and prices effective from 1<sup>st</sup> Oct 2009 and subject to change without notice.*