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Stonewall Hotel

175 Oxford Street, Darlinghurst, Sydney, Australia

Nearest station: Erskineville

Bars

Sydney's premier gay & lesbian establishment. Located in the heart of the Oxford Street gay scene. Stonewall has been around for a long time and are strong supporters of the LGBT community. The venue offers fun entertainment 7 days a week, featuring Sydney's finest DJ's, drag performers and male dancers. Weekly themed nights with happy hour - see the website for details.

Features: Bar Dancing Karaoke Music

UNIVERSAL Sydney

85-91 Oxford St, Darlinghurst, Sydney, Australia

Bars

The latest addition to Sydney's gay scene on Oxford Street. Formerly 'Midnight Shift', the new UNIVERSAL club features multiple dance floors, a state-of-the-art light & sound system. Expect the hottest international DJs, performers and dancers. Check UNIVERSAL's website for details of their themed events and parties.

Features: Bar Cabaret Show Dancing Go-Go Show Music

The Colombian Hotel

117-125 Oxford Street, Darlinghurst, Sydney, Australia

Bars

Sydney's popular gay bar with panoramic views of Oxford Street. The triangular historic building has two floors with large-screen video bar downstairs and a dance club on the 2nd level. The main bar is the perfect spot to meet friends and strangers for a drink or to start your night out. Nice selection of wines and cocktails. The Colombia has a prime location for the Mardi Gras parade viewing.

Features: Bar Dancing Music

Gingers @ The Oxford Hotel

132 Oxford Street, Darlinghurst, Sydney, Australia

Bars

Cocktail bar and entertainment/cabaret venue in the heart of Sydney's gay district. Gingers has booths with lounge area, mezzanine level seating, and state-of-the-art light and sound system. Located inside the Oxford Hotel, Gingers attracts an eclectic, mixed crowd. Party takes place every Monday. A proud supporter of the LGBT community; the club house of The Harbour City Bears, Sydney Leather Pride, The Official Sydney Mardi Gras Bar, etc.

Features:BarCabaret ShowLive musicMusic

Ivy Pool Bar

320 George Street, Sydney, Australia

Bars

A place to see and be seen in Sydney. Although not a gay bar, the Ivy Pool Bar is certainly gay-popular and it hosts Australia's most popular gay dance party every month: Poof Doof. Head to the Ivy and relax with a few cocktails, explore the wine list or drop by for lunch at this ever popular rooftop pool. They also host parties during Mardi Gras. The Poof Doof nights are not to be missed.

Features:BarRestaurant

The Imperial

35 Erskineville Rd, Sydney, Australia

Bars

Iconic gay & lesbian bar with cabaret shows, plus a cocktail lounge and terrace. Located in bustling Erskineville, in Sydney's Inner West, The Imperial Hotel has been a long time supporter of the LGBT community. Featuring Drag N' Dine at Priscillas restaurant, enjoy weekly performances from drag queens to pole dancing and various spot performances.

Features:BarCabaret ShowDancingMusicRestaurant

Newtown Hotel

174 King Street, Newtown New South Wales 2042, Australia, Sydney, Australia

Bars

Newtown Hotel, a gay-friendly pub on King Street, is renowned for its vibrant drag and trans queen & king shows from Wednesday to Sunday. With daily specials, happy hour, and a dog-friendly policy, this iconic pub offers a laid-back Sunday afternoon experience on its upstairs verandah overlooking King Street.

The staff are super friendly, and the food is reasonably priced, making it a favourite among locals and visitors alike.

The Bank

324 King Street, Newtown New South Wales 2042, Australia, Sydney, Australia

Bars

The Bank is a gay-friendly pub in Newtown, celebrated for its cocktail jugs, hearty food, and a vibrant beer garden. As an Inner West institution, it offers a safe space for all, live music, and a place to feast with friends.

The upper floor hosts Wayward, a venue for live performances by emerging artists, making it a cornerstone of Sydney's social and cultural scene.

The Beacham

265-267 Oxford Street, Darlinghurst New South Wales 2010, Australia, Sydney,

Australia

Bars

The Beacham, a gay-friendly pub in Darlinghurst, offers a gorgeous bar and dining experience across three levels and a rooftop terrace. With welcoming staff and excellent food, it's a serene spot for a quiet Saturday afternoon that picks up as the evening progresses.

Its atmosphere and location make it a must-visit, especially on warm summer evenings.

Kinselas

383 Bourke Street, Darlinghurst New South Wales 2010, Australia, Sydney, Australia

Bars

Kinselas, one of Sydney's most iconic venues, boasts a rich history and offers a variety of entertainment options, including arcade games, trivia nights hosted by drag queens, and themed live music nights.

The Chapel, with its ornate art deco ceilings, pays homage to the venue's past as a funeral parlour. It's a place for fun, history, and community.

The Coopers Hotel

221 King Street, Newtown New South Wales 2042, Australia, Sydney, Australia

Bars

Coopers Hotel is a gay pub known for its

hearty pub grub, modern décor, rooftop patio, and cocktail bar. With trivia and bingo nights hosted by fabulous drag queens, the atmosphere on the rooftop is unmatched.

Located on King Street, it maintains its original charm with modern touches, making it ideal for a Sunday afternoon cocktail. Friendly and welcoming, it's a beacon of LGBTQ+ friendliness.

The Bearded Tit

183 Regent Street, Redfern New South Wales 2016, Australia, Sydney, Australia

Bars

The Bearded Tit, a vibrant gay bar and art space in Redfern, serves as a neighbourhood queer bar and a gallery for emerging artists. With quirky decor, a selection of beautiful wines, draught beer, craft tinnies, and nostalgic snacks, it's a hub of fun times and creative expression for the community.

POOF DOOF @ Ivy Pool

Club

320 George Street, Sydney, Australia

Dance Clubs

One of the most popular gay dance clubs in Melbourne now also takes place at Sydney's every popular Ivy Pool Bar. Poof Doof has emerged as one of Australia's best gay club nights. Worth booking ahead as it can sell out. Check the Sydney section of their site for dates of upcoming events.

Features:BarDancingMusic

Palms on Oxford

124 Oxford Street, Darlinghurst, Sydney, Australia

Dance Clubs

Fun, laid-back nightclub on Sydney's gay Oxford Street with resident DJs playing favorite tracks. Palms is open Thursday through to Sunday. Free entry except on special occasions.

Features:BarMusic

Beresford Sundays

354 Bourke St, Surry Hills, Sydney, Australia

Dance Clubs

Very popular Sunday gay night at The Beresford Hotel in Surry Hills. This bar & restaurant is the place to see and be seen. Always busy and attracts a large gay crowd. You can have a few drinks outside in the courtyard, then head upstairs later for a dance. With live DJ and two floors of music, there's plenty to choose from.

Features:BarDancingMusicRestaurant

ARQ

16 Flinders St, Darlinghurst, Sydney, Australia

Dance Clubs

ARQ is one of the largest and most popular gay dance clubs in Australia. Huge dance floor, stunning laser light and sound system, drag shows, live performances, DJs, hot dancers - ARQ has it all. Open on Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays. Hosts regular themed parties - see the website for upcoming events.

Features:BarDancingMusic

Daywash

Sydney, Australia

Dance Clubs

Daywash is the go-to party in Sydney, bringing together a vibrant, inclusive crowd from the rainbow community and beyond. Since 2004, it's been a beacon for international visitors and locals alike, known for its standout parties on gay long weekends, including the famous Candyland circuit and KiKi pool parties during Mardi Gras.

With a lineup of international and local DJs and performers, Daywash elevates the Sydney gay dance party scene, offering an unforgettable experience of fun, music, and community spirit. Check the website for details of upcoming events.

Features:BarDancingMusic

EXTRA Dirty

41 Oxford St, Darlinghurst, Sydney, Australia

Dance Clubs

Starting in 2008, Extra Dirty has become a powerhouse in Australia's gay clubbing landscape, revolutionizing what it means to party. Originally captivating Sydney's leather, fetish, and rubber aficionados, Extra Dirty has grown to be an all-embracing event. It's not just about the fetish scene; it's about the music, the atmosphere, and the community.

This party springs from Sydney's vibrant gay underground and has earned its stripes as one of the city's iconic club nights, celebrated both locally and internationally.

Extra Dirty is where diverse beats meet diverse people, creating unforgettable nights out. Check their website for information about upcoming events.

Features: BarCruise/FetishDancingMusic

BARBA Sydney

various venues, Sydney, Australia

Dance Clubs

Australia's popular gay dance party, organised by The BeardedHomo. BARBA first launched in Melbourne and has made its way to Sydney, featuring an exciting DJ lineup. Check BARBA's Facebook page for details of upcoming parties.

Features: BarDancingMusic

TROUGH Sydney

38-46 Oxford St, Darlinghurst, Sydney, Australia

Dance Clubs

Sydney's fetish-oriented gay dance party, usually held in Darlinghurst. Check TROUGH Sydney's website or Facebook page for details of upcoming events, including Mardi Gras parties.

Features: BarDancingDark RoomMusic

Swagger Party

various venues, Sydney, Australia

Dance Clubs

Swagger Party is a hip-hop and R&B party for gays, lesbians and friends. Produced by In The Dark, Swagger is held in Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane and Adelaide. The party pays tribute to your R&B divas and hip-hop heartthrobs as the DJs spin songs from the likes of Eminem, Rhianna, Pitbull and TLC.

Features: BarDancingMusic

TRADE Club

273 Crown St, Darlinghurst, Sydney, Australia

Cruise Clubs

Large gay cruise club & dance bar in Sydney. TRADE Club (formerly "HeadQuarters") has a wide range of

facilities including playrooms, cruise area, video lounge, private cabins, bar, cubicles and refreshment facilities. TRADE hosts regular themed nights and weekly events - check their website for agenda.

Features: BarCafeDancingDark RoomMazeRelaxing Cabins

Aarows

17 Bridge Street, Rydalmere, Sydney, Australia

Cruise Clubs

This gay & bisexual cruise club welcomes everyone regardless of gender or sexual preference - swingers, trannies and lesbians are all welcome. Aarows has 3 levels, with facilities including sauna, spa, steam room, cinema room, private booths, pool table, lounge area, dance floor, bikes and treadmills. Open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Mixed crowd most days except on Sundays (men only). Check the website for further details.

Features: BarDancingMusicSaunaSpaSteam room

357 - Sydney City Steam

357 Sussex St, Sydney, Australia

Saunas

Also known as "357", Sydney City Steam gay sauna features large, clean facilities on 4 floors (there is an elevator). Facilities include dry sauna, steam room, maze, dark room, cabins, video room, cafe and a

fully licensed bar. During lunchtime, the sauna is popular with office goers who fancy a bit more meat usually found in their sandwich. Regular events include Towel-Free, Black Out Fridays, Foam Party on Sundays. Open 24 hours on the weekend. Men of all races, ages and sizes are welcome. Popular with Asian men.

Features: BarCafeDark RoomInternet AccessMassageMazeRelaxing CabinsSaunaSteam room

Bodyline Spa & Sauna

10 Taylor St, Darlinghurst, Sydney, Australia

Saunas

Popular gay sauna on 4 floors. Bodyline features a large Romanesque jacuzzi, cedar-wood dry sauna, steam room, cinema room, maze, large cabins, sun deck, video room, coffee lounge, free WiFi. Gay-owned & -operated since 1991. The facilities are well-maintained and constantly upgraded. Bodyline is open every day, 24 hours on the weekend.

Features: Free Wi-FiInternet AccessMazeRelaxing CabinsSaunaSpaSteam roomSun terraceSwimming pool

Sydney Sauna

38-42 Oxford St, Darlinghurst, Sydney, Australia

Saunas

Sydney's modern gay sauna with 18 lockable rooms, dry sauna, steam room, large jacuzzi, maze, free internet & WiFi, large cinema room and café bar. Massage service available. The sauna is conveniently located on Oxford Street in Darlinghurst. Open 24 hours.

Features: BarCafeFree Wi-FiInternet AccessMassageMazeRelaxing CabinsSaunaSteam room

Bondi Beach

North Bondi, Sydney, Australia

Beaches

One of Sydney's most famous beaches and the most popular beach with the gay community. There are plenty of restaurants and cafés at Bondi Beach, serving food and drinks all day.

Remember, it is illegal to drink alcohol on the beach itself. Take the train to Bondi Junction and then a bus the final 2 km to the beach. Or catch a bus from Circular Quay or Oxford Street (380 or 333 with destination of North Bondi or Dover Heights, Watson Bay or Bondi Beach). Driving is not recommended as parking near the beach is severely limited.

Features: BeachCafeRestaurantShop

Obelisk Beach

Chowder Bay Road, Sydney, Australia

Beaches

This 100-metre-long official nudist beach

overlooks Sydney Harbour and attracts a gay & lesbian crowd. Take everything you need for the day (water, snacks, etc.) as you will not find any outlets on or near the beach. The beach is sandy. Obelisk Beach can be reached by public transport. Bus Route 244 leaves from City Wynyard to Chowder Bay. This is a pre-pay route, and you must purchase a ticket at a transit shop or ticket outlet before boarding the bus. Journey time is around 30 minutes. It is easier to drive if you have a car and there is lots of parking in the nearby car park which you'll find at the intersection of Chowder Bay Road and Middle Head Road. Walk south along Chowder Bay Road and you'll find a clearly marked footpath on the left-hand side. Follow the path to the stone steps and you'll arrive on what is perhaps the best gay nudist beach in Sydney!

Features: Beach

Lady Jane Beach

Near HMAS Watson, Watsons Bay, Sydney, Australia

Beaches

Lady Jane (or Lady Bay) Beach is a relatively small nudist beach that attracts a mostly gay, though not exclusively gay, crowd. Take the ferry from The Rocks to Watsons Bay then walk along the shoreline following signs to Lady Bay Beach and you'll find some stairs down to the beach.

Features: Beach

Clovelly Beach

Clovelly Beach, Sydney, Australia

Beaches

Although not a gay beach, Clovelly Beach attracts many gay travelers. It's a smaller, quieter beach than some of Sydney's more bustling beaches. A tranquil rocky outcrop you'll find very appealing. You'll find places to eat on the south side of the beach. The beach is a quiet hangout for the local LGBT+ community who are drawn to its small scale and sense of community during the summer. Clovelly Beach is also home to a saltwater sea pool which allows for year-round swimming.

Features: Beach Cafe Restaurant Shop

Mclver's Ladies Baths

145-149R Beach Street, Sydney, Australia

Beaches

Mclver's Ladies Baths at Coogee are the ideal spot to relax and unwind if you're a lady looking to spend time in the company of other women. A diverse mix of women, you'll find lesbian couples, mums with children and women whose religion forbids them to bathe in the company of men. The baths have stunning ocean views. Make your way there by taking the steps that lead from Grant Reserve down the cliff to the pool. Mclver's Ladies Baths is the last women's-only seawater pool in Australia and has been in continuous use since its establishment in 1876. They are open only to women and children.

Features: Beach

Manly Beach

Manly, Sydney, Australia

Beaches

The beautiful Manly Beach is one of Sydney's northern beaches and a popular seaside destination in its own right. Manly's long sandy beach is generally less crowded than Bondi Beach. Although the beach does not have a specific gay area, it is popular with gay sunbathers who are less interested in the 'scene' and more 'sea'. To get to Manly, take the ferry from Circular Quay and then walk through Manly town centre to the beach. There is a huge choice of restaurants and cafés in the town and along the beachfront.

Features: Beach

Werrong Beach

Otford, NSW, Sydney, Australia

Beaches

Designated nudist beach, located an hour south of Sydney, in Royal National Park. The coastal walking track which leads to Werrong Beach is in the southernmost area of the park. The gay-popular section is very secluded as it requires a 30-minute walk through the bush to get there. Action can be expected right there on the beach. Swimming is not permitted due to the strong rips and currents.

Tamarama Beach

Tamarama Beach, Sydney, Australia

Beaches

Just around the corner from busy Bondi, Tamarama Beach is quiet and is one of the least crowded beaches in the city.

Tamarama is arguably the most scenic of Sydney's coastal environments and visitors can enjoy the breath-taking views across the bay. The beach is also a great choice for groups of friends as the restrictions that prevent BBQs and small contained fires do not exist here, making it the perfect place for an evening gathering or picnic. Be warned that the sea here can be dangerous and violent riptides and currents are common even in the shallow areas, as such visitors are advised to stay out of the water unless lifeguards are on duty. This isn't a beach known for nude sunbathing or cruising, but definitely one to enjoy if you're visiting Sydney.

Little Congwong Beach

Little Congwong Beach, Sydney, Australia

Beaches

At the end of Anzac Parade (about 15 km southeastern of Sydney CBD), there is a beach called Congwong Beach. And if you walk to the East End and walk over the rocks, there is another beach called 'Little Congwong Beach'. This is a mixed nudist beach which does have a good population of gay guys - though it's not one of Sydney's official nudist beaches like Lady Bay or Obelisk. At the eastern end of this little beach is a headland with a lot of

bush areas where you may find the occasional guy cruising.

Tastes Of The Hunter Wine Tours

Level 8, 99 Elizabeth St, Sydney, Australia

Services

Tastes Of The Hunter Wine Tours offers full-day wine tours from Sydney to the beautiful Hunter Valley for both the gay and gay-friendly alike. Savour delicious wines, craft beers, sample the unique flavours of locally-made cheeses and handmade chocolates and soak up the rich country atmosphere of the Hunter Valley. Their 20-seat luxury minibus is decked out with leather seats, DVD player, 8-speaker sound system, mini-fridge, apple and android charging facilities and onboard iPad. Gay-owned and -operated, members of the SGLBA and GALTA.

Features: Dancing Music

In The Dark

various locations, Sydney, Australia

Services

Australia's leading gay & lesbian production company that organises successful dance parties and events such as Glitter and DILF in major cities including Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide, Brisbane, Perth. Check In The Dark's website for upcoming events.

Features:Bar

DNA Magazine

P.O. Box 127, Lidcombe, Sydney, Australia

Services

Australia's best-selling monthly magazine for gay men. Launched in 2000, DNA features interesting stories, celebrity profiles, pop culture reviews and beautiful photography of some of the world's sexiest male models. The magazine is available in bookstores worldwide. Online editions also available on their website.

Harbour City Bears

PO Box 1532, Darlinghurst, Sydney, Australia

Services

Founded in 1995, Harbour City Bears is a nonprofit community group for hairy gay men, their fans and friends. Based in Sydney, the group run regular social events, dance parties and fundraising campaigns for the LGBT community. Their two annual events, Bear Essentials (February) and Bear Pride (August), have attracted many international visitors. Their mission is to have fun and participate in the community. Harbour City Bears welcome everyone regardless of sex, race, sexual orientation, age or hirsuteness. Visit the website for upcoming events.

The Red Rattler

6 Faversham Street, Marrickville, Sydney, Australia

Services

LGBT-friendly, community-based venue, run by unpaid artists and activists. This nonprofit theatre offers a creative space for performers, musicians, artists, designers, filmmakers, experimentalists, etc. The Red Rattler is equipped with a stage, full PA, LED lighting system, projector and screen, a licensed bar and a rooftop garden.

The Naked Barber

68 Oxford St, Sydney, Australia

Services

The Naked Barber is an LGBTQ+ and fetish barbershop. The barber is a qualified hairdresser and barber with over 30 years of experience. The Naked Barber promises the best grooming experience for anyone who has a grooming fetish; or is wishing to simply explore fetishes in the grooming environment. Hot Towels, Hot Wax, Cutthroat Shaving and shaving cream lather, The Naked Barber caters to straight, bisexual, transgender, gay, and couple customers.

Planetdwellers

1/113-115 Oxford St, Sydney, Australia

Tours

Planetdwellers are a proudly gay-owned

and managed tour and event management company. The staff and company have an extensive knowledge of the area and all the tours and events they operate. Planetdwellers offers tours and events around all the niceties of Australia; nature, city life, culture, and sports.