EXPLORE THE WORLD’S LARGEST LIGHT FESTIVAL AT DARLING HARBOUR

PLAY AND DINE IN DARLING HARBOUR THROUGHOUT VIVID SYDNEY

Darling Harbour plays host to thousands of visitors with a magical playground sure to inspire the youngest and oldest of fans to the annual light spectacular, Vivid Sydney. Right in the heart of the action, Darling Harbour caters to visitors’ eyes as well as their bellies, with a wide range of restaurants, bars and entertainment all the way along Cockle Bay Wharf through to Harbourside and Darling Quarter.

Darling Quarter and the restaurants along The Boulevard under ICC Sydney provide a great meeting place to find a dinner spot and plan the evening’s journey. Enjoy an award-winning pizza from Vesta or head to Umi Sushi, a family friendly sushi train experience reminiscent of the streets of Tokyo. Satisfy any craving at Betty’s Burgers, Guzman y Gomez, Harry’s Café de Wheels, Doyle’s, or the newly opened Fratelli Fresh while Planar offers delightful food and drinks combined with spectacular views.

A few steps away you’ll find Tumbalong Lights, an interactive playground, with four inclusive and accessible Vivid Sydney Light experiences. With under-the-sea themed installations, Tumbalong Lights takes children and the young at heart on a mystical journey and offers a place of empowerment, control and community. The inclusiveness of the installation’s designs opens up the possibilities of play to all children, including those with disability, where they can engage and feel inspired.

Take a balcony seat at Blackbird Café in Cockle Bay Wharf, the perfect place to take in the views, where parents can enjoy delicious Vivid Sydney cocktails ($17 each) with a special light-up souvenir glass, and the kids can be mesmerised by glowing fairy floss (limited stock available). For those looking to imagine what Vivid Sydney could taste like, sample one of the many light-inspired cocktails from The Ternary, Champagne Bar, Waterfront Grill, Cyren and Hurricanes Grill.

The incredible display of Darling Harbour fireworks takes place every Friday and Saturday at 8:00pm throughout Vivid Sydney, and be sure to venture over to Gelatissimo for an extra special dessert with 20% off plus free colourful toppings – visit Darling Harbour’s website for all the details on how to redeem.

Harbourside offers some of the best vantage points to take in Vivid Sydney’s Fantastic Oceans where bio-luminescent creatures live deep beneath the ocean in an art-meets-technology water fountain, light and laser experience. Dragon Boat, Hurricane’s Grill, Cyren, Kazbah and The Port are some of the best spots to dine with a view, and to sweeten the prime seating location, they are offering $30 Vivid Sydney menus, available everyday throughout Vivid Sydney for lunch and dinner.

Walking around Darling Harbour is the perfect way to take in the breadth of the precinct in all its glory, and to witness the spectacular Vivid Sydney projections on the roof of the Australian National Maritime Museum. Visitors will be awestruck with a specially produced 12-minute montage of underwater highlights from the acclaimed BBC Earth and Sir David Attenborough’s Blue Planet II. Continue to explore the magic of the ocean at SEA LIFE Sydney Aquarium, with adult tickets at kids’ prices, the whole family can get up close and personal to over 13,000 creatures, including Antarctic penguins, turtles and Grey Nurse sharks.

To find out more and plan your night head to www.darlinghabour.com/whats-on/vivid-sydney/

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About Vivid Sydney
Vivid Sydney is the world’s largest festival of light, music and ideas and now the largest event in Australia. For 23 days - from 25 May to 16 June 2018 – the event places a spotlight on Sydney and reinforces its position as the home of light, creativity, cutting edge music, engaging conversations and the exchange of new ideas. The festival is owned, managed and produced by Destination NSW, the NSW Government’s tourism and major events agency. In 2017 Vivid Sydney attracted a record 2.33 million attendees and injected over $143 million into NSW’s visitor economy. For more information visit www.vividsydney.com.
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