Above: Nielsen Park, Sydney Harbour National Park. Photo: H. Lund, courtesy of Tourism NSW.

Explore Sydney Harbour National Park protects a collection of islands and foreshore areas around one of the world’s most famous harbours. You’ll find sheltered beaches, tidal pools, spots, rock, Aboriginal, colonial and military heritage, unique coastal and marine habitats, and all just a short trip from the Sydney CBD.

**OVERVIEW**

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**How to use this map**
To use this map, find the place of interest with the appropriate icon, then find the appropriate icon within the legend of the brochure for a more detailed map and information on the activities in the area.

**GENERAL ACTIVITIES**
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- **Steak Point Cottage**
  - Built in 1860 on the edge of a sandstone cliff, Steak Point Cottage has been beautifully restored, and with just one bedroom, it is the ideal hideaway for Sydney (3 bedrooms, up to 2 people). Contact Gap Bluff Centre on 02 9337 2333.

- **Constellations**
  - The self-contained historic cottage at the eastern end of Caving Cove is ideally situated to enjoy the water views. Steak Point Cottage (2 people), contact Gap Bluff Centre on 02 9337 2333.

- **Green Point Cottage**
  - Only 30 metres from Camp Cove beach, Green Point Cottage offers spectacular views across Sydney Harbour to the city skyline (3 bedrooms, up to 6 people). Contact Gap Bluff Centre on 02 9337 2333.

- **Q Station**
  - Choose from rooms or cottages with views of the harbour, the park or the historic Quarantine Station. Contact Q Station on 02 9466 1500.

- **Middle and Georges Heads Management**
  - Middle and Georges Heads Management House offers the historic forts and a collection of islands and foreshore sites. Explore the rich history and landscapes and habitats. Get the free Guide to Sydney Harbour National Park for more information on accommodation, transport and more.

- **Walking**
  - Walking tracks lead to some of Sydney’s most iconic spots and offer a number of different options, with most tracks located around the state, or visit NPWS visitor centres for more information on accommodation, transport and more.

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**FURTHER INFORMATION**

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**Transport info:**
101000 or 100350 info. Parking and other facilities also available.

**Environment, Climate Change and Water**
Call 02 9247 5033.
**North Head**

**Things to see and do**

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