

# SYDNEY HARBOUR KAYAKS



## Kayaking Tours

Private, Public, Corporate & Team Building



# Welcome



The Sydney Harbour Kayaks experience is more than just about going on a tour, buying or renting a kayak.

Our team is passionate about kayaking, passionate about being out on the water and living our dream, to take time - enjoy life.

Our passion is infectious. So when you're out on one of our tours kayaking into Middle Harbour, on a Freedom Rental kayaking to Balmoral or in our shop buying a kayak, we're here to guide, instruct and inspire you.

Sydney Harbour Kayaks has been renting & selling kayaks, teaching kayaking and guiding tours around Middle Harbour from the Spit Bridge since 1991 .

We take great pride in making sure you have a wonderful kayaking experience. Safety and customer satisfaction are of the highest concern for us.

Sydney Harbour Kayaks operate under guidelines from NSW Maritime - licenses HD0255 and HD0402. We maintain a very strict Operations Manual, which is considered one of the best in the Hire Drive industry and is audited by NSW Maritime on a regular basis.

Our kayak & surf-ski rental fleets are some of the best around, we offer a mix of plastic and composite sea kayaks as well as surf-skis and stand-up paddle boards. We rent kayaks from the Spit Bridge in Mosman as well as Jamieson Park on the shore of Narrabeen Lake.

We take great pride in our kayaking tours and aim to offer the best possible experience. Our backyard is the beautiful Middle Harbour and we get no more enjoyment then showing it off to our many visitors. The kayak tours and team-building activities are a lot of fun and offer a wholesome day out on the water.

Lessons are our speciality and we teach from beginners through to a Professional level. If you are just learning about kayaking then you should try our Paddle Safe / Paddle Smart Program, which is a free beginners lesson every weekend

If you are a club, school, kayaking outfitter or sell kayaks please have a look at our wholesale company called Floating Assets. We distribute some amazing brands and products.

You can now follow us on FaceBook for up to date information and special web only deals - visit [www.facebook.com/seakayaking](http://www.facebook.com/seakayaking) or even follow us on Twitter on Syd\_Harb\_Kayaks

On behalf of all the team at Sydney Harbour Kayaks and Floating Assets, I warmly welcome you to come down and have a paddle with us.

Shannon O'Brien  
Managing Director / Owner

# Eco Tour - (Public Tour)

Join us at Sydney Harbour Kayaks on our widely acclaimed **Middle Harbour Eco Tour**.

The Middle Harbour Ecotour provides you with the amazing opportunity to learn something about the natural and social history of the area from a friendly guide as you paddle through differing environments - from affluent urban to the remote natural bushland of the Garigal National Park.

As civilisation slips away the true beauty of our harbour and it's wildlife will open up before you.

Soak up the serenity while you enjoy a wholesome morning tea served at one of our favourite secluded spots.

**The tour runs for four hours every Saturday and Sunday morning from 8.30 till 12.30 and includes:**

- 20 minute instruction on safety and equipment use.
- Qualified, experienced, friendly guide.
- Wholesome morning tea stopover at an idyllic location.
- All paddling equipment supplied.
- Storage and bottled water.
- Stable and safe double sea kayaks

At **only \$99 per person** it's the perfect way to discover parts of Sydney you will only ever see from the water.

What does Sydney Harbour Kayaks provide?

All paddling equipment, morning tea and bottled water are included in the tour cost.

## What to bring:

- \* Hat
- \* Sun cream
- \* Sun glasses
- \* T-shirt (ideally long sleeve) or sun shirt (rashie)
- \* Additional layers for cold / windy days
- \* Comfortable shorts
- \* Footwear that can get wet
- \* Dry change of clothes / towel

We also have a change room and showering facilities.

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**KAYAKS**  
ECO TOURS



# Eco Tour - (Private Tours)

Join us at Sydney Harbour Kayaks on our widely acclaimed **Middle Harbour Eco Tour**.



The Middle Harbour Ecotour provides you and your friends or colleagues with the amazing opportunity to learn something about the natural and social history of the area from a friendly guide as you paddle through differing environments - from affluent urban to the remote natural bushland of the Garigal National Park.

As civilisation slips away the true beauty of our harbour and it's wildlife will open up before you.

Soak up the serenity while you enjoy a wholesome morning tea or afternoon tea served at one of our favourite secluded spots.

**The Eco Tour runs for 4 hours and is perfect for large groups, there is one guide for every 12 paddlers.**

**The Private Tours are able to be run when you require; 7 days per week. The tours require a minimum of six people to start and we can manage up to 60 people at one time.** (Our group discounts start over 40 people.)

- 20 minute instruction on safety and equipment use.
- Qualified, experienced, friendly guide.
- Wholesome morning tea / afternoon tea stopover at an idyllic location.
- All paddling equipment supplied.
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# The Coffee Tour - (Private Tours)

The Sydney Harbour Kayaks Coffee Tour is a shorter more compact tour where you will experience Sydney Harbour in a completely different way - via sea kayaks. The Private Coffee Tours is 2 1/2 hours of gentle paddling.



Our qualified and charismatic guides will lead you from our Spit Bridge location, toward Grotto Point and Middle Head giving you a taste of the life around one of Sydney's wonderfully secret waterways. This tour is a great way of getting staff out of the office or friends together for a unique blend of fun and exercise on the water.

The tour allows you to enjoy the views out into the Pacific Ocean as you paddle toward Middle Head your guides introduce you to the fascinating natural history of the area as well as the various flora and fauna you may encounter.

You will also be able to take a well earned break on one of Middle Harbour's pristine beaches where your guide will brew fresh coffee and tea whilst you muster up some energy for the short paddle back to the Spit Bridge!

**The Coffee Tour runs for about 2.5 hours and is perfect for large groups.**

**The Private Coffee Tours are able to be run when you require; 7 days per week. The tours require a minimum of six people to start and we can manage up to 60 people at one time.** (Our group discounts start over 40 people.)

- All kayaking & safety equipment
- Safety talk and instruction.
- Bottled water.
- Delicious coffee, tea or hot chocolate.
- Qualified kayak guide

At **only \$79 per person** it's the perfect way to discover parts of Sydney you will only ever see from the water.

## What to bring:

- \* Hat
- \* Sun cream
- \* Sun glasses
- \* T-shirt (ideally long sleeve) or sun shirt (rashie)
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# TEAM BUILDING



The Sydney Harbour Kayaks Team Building program consists of three specifically designed activities that aim to bring out the best in your team, group or employees.

These activities were designed to focus on motivation, leadership, communication and collaboration. They are all unique, a lot of fun and are proven to gain positive results.

# The Photo Challenge - (Team Building)

Welcome to Sydney Harbour Kayaks Photo Challenge Coffee Tour where you will not only experience Sydney Harbour in a completely different way - via sea kayaks, but also be able to document your journey using waterproof cameras.

The **PHOTO Challenge** is a wonderful **Team Building activity**, that encourages you to express yourselves, your teams, your brands in a fun and creative spirit. With waterproof cameras of course....

Some photos you may be asked to capture are-

- Most creative Individual / Team
- Funniest group shot
- Most scenic
- Best description of your working team (in a photo)
- Best Brand / Company Image Photo (without the use of your product)
- Points awarded for completing each task and team effort.

After the Tour we will give you all of the images on disks.

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**The Team Building Activities are able to be run when you require; 7 days per week. They require a minimum of six people to start and we can manage up to 60 people at one time.** (Our group discounts start over 40 people.)

- All kayaking & safety equipment
- Safety talk and instruction
- Qualified kayak guide

At **only \$79 per person** it's the perfect way to discover parts of Sydney you will only ever see from the water as well as being a very time and cost effective team building activity.

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# Search for the Tadashi - (Team Building)



**“Search for the Tadashi”** - Is an on-water strategic game using Sea Kayaks.

During WWII a Japanese sub, the Tadashi, disappeared into Middle Harbour and was never seen again, until recently. Your search The Sydney Harbour Kayaks Team Building program consists of three specifically designed activities that aim to bring out the best in your team, group or employees.

These activities were designed to focus on motivation, leadership, communication and collaboration. They are all unique, a lot of fun and are proven to gain positive results. The Tadashi begins with you being divided into teams and provided with vital clues to solve the exciting mystery.

The “Search for the Tadashi” is a fun, 'light-hearted' team building exercise, perfect for groups from 10 to 20 focusing on leadership, problem solving and collaboration. It is also a lot of fun and very fulfilling when both adults and children are involved.

The emphasis is on fun with a subtle introduction of leadership, communication and cooperation. In addition your team will enjoy the healthy benefits of paddling in beautiful Middle Harbour and leave refreshed, enthusiastic and ready to apply new practical skills at work.

**The “Search for the Tadashi” takes about 2 hours and is ideal for groups of 10 to 20 people.**

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(Our group discounts start over 40 people.)

- All kayaking & safety equipment
- Safety talk and instruction
- Qualified kayak guide

At **only \$125 per person** it's the perfect way to discover parts of Sydney you will only ever see from the water as well as being a very cost effective team building activity.

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# Pelican Air - (Team Building)

The **PELICAN AIR** is a fun and unique team-building exercise focusing on motivation, leadership, communication and collaboration.

It is a search and rescue challenge that we try and make as real to life as possible. This team Building activity has been designed to take your team or staff outside of their comfort zone and assist in motivation and leadership.

The Pelican Air is exciting, challenging and will truly inspire your team.

Pelican Air is based on an actual event when a light aircraft crashed shortly after take off from Sydney Airport. It was suspected of carrying drugs and an immediate search and rescue operation was undertaken.

The plane was heading north to Byron Bay with a departure time of 23.30 hours. Shortly after take off they reported engine failure. The last communications with the control tower indicated that it would ditch into the sea somewhere between North Head and the Spit Bridge. An immediate air search that night failed, spotted wreckage and dropped a marker beacon.

**Your Challenge** - The owner of the 'special' cargo has asked you to assist in locating the wreckage and recovering the contents of the black-box flight recorder.

You will receive information from the control tower with respect to flight path and altitude together with a set of weather reports and resources and budget for the rescue. Your task is to use the available information to plan and then conduct the search and rescue operations using the available resources. You will have access to several different types of kayaks, snorkelling gear, maps, 2-way radios, compasses and other search and rescue material.

**The Pelican Air Search & Rescue takes about 2 to 2 1/2 hours and is ideal for groups of 6 to 24 people.**

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At only **\$125 per person** it's a very detailed and authentic team building activity.

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# Testimonials

## Curtis Jones and Brown

"The most memorable part of the experience was getting everyone together to do something different and discovering Middle Harbour "

Nino Ardill

## Australian Opera

"My highlight was the views, the environment, all mother nature has to offer at her best"

Bianca Esther

## Hong Kong Weekender

"A magical time with colleagues to experience the hidden Sydney"

Larry Tang

## Flight Centre

"The serenity and the fairy penguins realized the promise made on booking of being so close to the city yet feeling a million miles away"

Nathan Jones

## Cisco

"Thank you for a fabulous afternoon. We really felt that the experience was great value for money ! "

Deanne Tallon

## Adrenalin A365

"Seeing Sydney from a different angle, we'll be back and will recommend it to others "

Kylie Folie (Adrenalin customer)

## Mazda

"Great guide knowledge and the whole activity was streamlined for us on a tight schedule."

Steve Materns



# Testimonials

It was a great day. I really enjoyed it.

**John Oxley**

Great day on Middle Harbour Kayaking into some beautiful spots and enjoying the guided tour.

We will be back with our two (adult) children to do this again.

**Janice Innes**

Great set up, friendly and experienced instructor. Good snacks and a hot drink for morning tea was just what was needed. Beautiful areas of Sydney harbour.

**Emma Woolaston**

Despite the rain, Sydney Harbour Kayaks were professional, courteous and delivered an excellent experience. The best bit was having our morning tea in a cave overlooking the bay:)

**Pamela Mantaring**

Sydney Harbour Kayaks Eco tour was a enjoyable experience. Our guide on the day was a very helpful individual who supplied a wide range of information and experience. This tour is something that I would recommend to anybody interested in a good time

**Allan Blackmore**

A fabulous way to experience this beautiful city we live in. Morning tea was exceptional and our guide Adrian was lovely and knowledgeable.

**MELINDA HILLS**

Initial explanation of safety and kayak techniques was good. The selected routing covered both the developed and undeveloped areas within Middle Harbour. In particular, the experience of kayaking through the mangroves was great - felt like we could have been miles away from a major city. Another highlight was seeing a couple of sea eagles waiting for an opportunity to go fishing. Pace was just right for the novice paddlers and the knowledge of local wildlife, some anecdotes about buildings, homes and characters along the way added value to the overall enjoyable experience. Altogether well done, thanks.

**Jonathan Trope**



# 100% Customised Kayaking Tours

With over 20 years of experience conducting kayaking tours around Sydney Harbour, we have become experts in managing tours that are fully customised.

There has never been a request involving kayaks that we couldn't safely manage.

**Do you need to give a group of managers some exercise during a sales conference?**  
**No problem.**

**Do you wish to have your executive team from the overseas office view a sunrise from under the Sydney Harbour Bridge?**  
**No Problem.**

**How about launching a new marketing initiative to 60 key dealers on a secluded harbour beach?**  
**No Problem.**

These are some of the hundreds of kayaking tours we have managed for groups of friends, bucks & hens parties, corporate teams, entire companies or even television programs.

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We have a large kayak trailer to enable us to access any launch spot. We can have an inflatable boat for filming or added safety and we can manage up to 60 / 70 paddlers at one time.

For your 100% customised kayak tour please contact the Managing Director directly on:  
Shannon O'Brien - [shannon@sydneyharbourkayaks.com.au](mailto:shannon@sydneyharbourkayaks.com.au)



# Frequently asked questions:



## How do I find Sydney Harbour Kayaks?

If you are driving from the city we are on the right hand side of the road just before you cross spit bridge. From the northern beaches side we are on the left just after crossing the bridge. If you are taking a bus ask the driver to stop at the spit bridge and then walk 150 m towards the bridge. The bus route is to Spit Rd. Middle Harbour and can be found at [www.131500.com.au/](http://www.131500.com.au/)

## Is there parking?

Parking can be found on both sides of spit road on the city side of the bridge. This parking is all paid meter parking by council. There is some free parking South of us at Parriwi Road Mosman, or North of us at Avona Crescent, Seaforth. Both are about a 200 to 300 meter walk, so please allow time so you are not late.

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## Is there storage available?

Yes, however storage space is very limited so please bring only essential items. We can take care of some valuables behind our front desk.

## What type of kayak will I be using?

You will be using plastic commercial grade double sea kayaks - designed for ease of use, smoothness in the water and solid stability. On some small Private tours there is the ability to use single sea kayaks.

## What level of fitness is required of me?

All of our tours are conducted at a relaxed pace, suitable for people of moderate levels of fitness. Children under 16 need to be accompanied by an adult.

## Do I have to book?

Yes booking is crucial and full payment due upon booking. Private tours require a 50% deposit upon booking with the balance due the day before the tour.

## Terms and Conditions

The Terms and Conditions for our kayaking tours can be found on our website at [www.sydneyharbourkayaks.com](http://www.sydneyharbourkayaks.com)

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