

Sydney City IVV Permanent Trail: 12km (rated 2A)

The Sydney IVV walk has been revised in 2108 to simplify the route and include the new development at Barangaroo. The nominal starting point is from Circular Quay, but you are welcome to start your walk from any point along the trail. The route description supplements the map and is for walking the route clock-wise.

Please note:

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If using an accompanying GPX file, note that the data is derived from a hand-held GPS unit and is therefore NOT accurate enough for navigation, but will provide assistance to walkers to choose the correct path.

Walk Route Description

- At Circular Quay railway station, looking at the ferry terminals, go RIGHT, and after the last ferry terminal go LEFT along the water (Sydney Cove), to the Sydney Opera House.
- With the steps of the Sydney Opera House on your left, go to the end of the concourse and through the QE2 gate into the Botanic Gardens.
- Follow the path along the waterfront to Mrs. Macquarie's Point. **Question 1**
- Continue on the path along the bay (Woolloomooloo Bay) and past a swimming pool. The path will eventually join the footpath along Mrs. Macquarie's Road. Follow this all the way to the Art Gallery (which will appear on your left).
- Turn RIGHT at the Art Gallery, using the pedestrian crossing, into the large open grass park, the Domain). Take the path directly ahead (across the North side of the park), past the café and statue of John Robertson. Near the far end of the path, take the left fork to the (visible) stairs on the other side of Hospital Road.
- Cross Hospital Road, go up the steps, and follow the path between the old State Library Building (on your right) and the new Library building (on your left), to Macquarie St.
- At Macquarie St turn LEFT. You will now pass a number of historic buildings: the Sydney Hospital, NSW Parliament House, Sydney Hospital, Sydney Mint, and Hyde Park Barracks.
- After Hyde Park Barracks, cross Prince Albert Rd and go into Hyde Park, taking the main pedestrian path down the centre of the park, past the Archibald fountain.
- At the far side of the first section of the park, cross Park St, and continue in the second section of the park to the Anzac War Memorial.
- At the back of the Memorial, take the RIGHT fork to the corner of the park.
- Cross Elizabeth St, and walk along Liverpool St to George St (crossing Castlereagh and Pitt St on the way).
- Cross George St, turn LEFT and walk along George St to Hay St (crossing Goulburn St on the way)
- At Hay St turn RIGHT, cross Sussex St, and walk a short distance along Hay St (past the "Gold" tree) to Dixon St. **Question 2**
- Turn RIGHT into Dixon St continue to the end of the "China Town" pedestrian mall.
- Turn LEFT into Goulburn St.

- Cross Harbour St (at the lights), turn LEFT, and then immediate RIGHT into Little Pier St (Novotel will be on your right).
- At the “Pump House” Restaurant turn RIGHT into the pedestrian area leading to Darling Harbour, proceeding under the elevated roadways and past the Sydney Exhibition Centre.
- CONTINUE northwards through the Darling Harbour area, past the children’s playground, water features etc., to the water (Cockle Bay). Then walk to Pyrmont Bridge at the far end, keeping to the LEFT side of Cockle Bay.
- At Pyrmont Bridge continue under the bridge towards the Anchor sculpture at the National Maritime Museum. **Question 3**
- Turn LEFT onto the path up and over Pyrmont (pedestrian only) Bridge.
- At the far end of the bridge, take the escalator stairs down and turn RIGHT towards the Sealife Aquarium.
- Follow the waterfront (Pyrmont Bay) into the new Barangaroo foreshore development, with many restaurant choices, until you get to Wharf 1 (Barangaroo Wharf).

Note – at this point the route may vary slightly while the new casino development is under construction. If you continue along the waterfront beyond Wharf 1 you will end up having to backtrack to make a safe crossing of Hickson St.

- Turn RIGHT between the highrise buildings (at either Mercantile or Shipwright Walks).
- Cross Hickson St at lights and turn LEFT.
- Continue along Hickson St until the pedestrian crossing on LEFT to Barangaroo Reserve.
- Continue on path to Barangaroo Reserve, staying on walkway on water’s edge.
- After exiting the reserve, continue along Hickson Rd passing 9 piers on left. After passing Pier 1 you will then walk under the iconic Sydney Harbour Bridge.
- Stay on the path by the water, passing the Hyatt Hotel (on right) until you get to the Overseas Passenger Terminal for cruise ships (on left).
- After passing the Overseas Passenger Terminal you will see historic Cadman’s Cottage on your right (set back a little from the road). **Question 4**

The Tourist information office is nearby, behind Cadman Cottage in The Rocks Centre, corner Argyle & Playfair Sts.

- Continue along the paved area beside the water (Sydney Cove) to the Ferry Terminals and arrive at the finish of the Walk at Circular Quay Railway Station.

We hope you enjoyed the walk.

See aussiewalk.com.au/pt/ for information on how to claim IVV credit.

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Q1: What is the date mentioned on the stone inscription about Mrs Macquarie’s Road?

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Q2: What is the name of the building along Hay St opposite Dixon St?

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Q3: How many anchors are there at the sculpture in front of the Maritime Museum?

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Q4: Who is the subject of the sculpture, located just past Cadman’s Cottage?

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