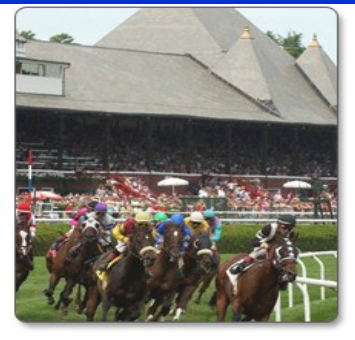


## Sports/Activities

The most common sports played in Australia are Australia rules football, horse racing, motorsports, rugby, and cricket. Horse racing is the third most attended spectator sport and it provides over 77,000 jobs. Horses don't only provide a big source of entertainment in the world of sports but they also provide a source of entertainment in the outback as well. When you travel to Australia you can explore the outback on horseback.



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## Australia



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## Food / Dining

The food in Australia is very diverse because most chefs are very inventive when



they make their dishes. An example of some of the inventive dishes are seared kangaroo fillet with wilted beet-root greens and

roasted onions. A popular breakfast food is Vegemite which is a topping you spread on bread. For lunch and dinner people in Australia eat a lot of meat, pasta, pizza, and stir-fry. Meat pies and sausage rolls are popular take out items. Specialty food include kangaroo, wallaby, emu, and crocodile.

## Music / Theater

Music includes rock, country, and many of the other genres that are listened to in the United States. Keith Urban is a popular country singer. Theater and the arts are a huge part of Australian culture. Almost everyday of the week an art show is going on in all of the big cities around Australia.

## Cultural places of significance

Sydney, Australia is the oldest and the largest of all Australian cities. Sydney lies on the Jackson Bay which is a natural harbor. There are plenty of sites



to see including the Harbour Bridge and the Sydney tower. Of course you can also see the world famous Opera

House. A monument in Hyde Park is a must see monument if you are interested in his-



tory. The Archibald Fountain is located in the east end of the park. It is a giant sculpture topped by the god Apollo, ( here is where the history comes in) it was donated to Australia as a reminder of the relationship between them and the French during World War 1. Another must see place in Australia is the Great Barrier Reef. Make sure you have a map when you visit because the city has a complicated street layout.

## Language/ Religion

People in Australia mainly speak English. The English they speak though might take some getting used to because Australian English has its own accent and vocabulary. Australian English is often called Strine. Australia does not have a country religion though the main religion is Catholic.

## Political Information/ Travel Advisory

Australia is a constitutional monarchy with a parliamentary system of government. You can count on being safe when you visit because there are not any travel warnings and the people of Australia are for the most part always ready to help a tourist out.

