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Welcome to Sydney's record stores, providing essential music relief during these Covid-19 pandemic times. While all the listed stores are open and in business, we do encourage you to take advantage of mail-order and online services where and when you can. But, no-one wants to stay cooped up inside for ever and if you're getting out and about this guide is a handy way to tour the city. Using Sydney's CBD as a starting point, you'll also find local info and transport tips for shops further afield. Over-nighters are be a fun idea and help support local economies.

SYDNEY-CBD

Every tour has to start somewhere, so it makes sense to start in the middle of Sydney's CBD. Just next to Town Hall you'll find Sydney stalwarts, Red Eye Records nestled downstairs behind the Queen Victoria Building. Just a short walk South from here gets you to Utopia, home of Metal, Hard Rock & Punk.

Head North of Town hall and you'll get to Birdland and Mojo Record Bar. This will place you in the vicinity of Circular Quay, from where you can take ferries to all sorts of great places around greater Sydney, including the stunning journey out to Parramatta's Beatdisc, and Manly's Desire. George Street is Sydney's North-South spine, orient yourself to this and everything else should make sense! Access Sydney Ferries from Circular Quay which is on the City Circle train line and gives you access to Sydney's light rail system.

EASTSIDE

East of the CBD, across Hyde Park – is Sydney's Eastside, where you'll find independent retail, creatives, excellent restaurants and the largest cluster of clubs & bars in Sydney. You can get there across either Hyde Park or the Domain, up the hill from China Town or using Kings Cross train station. This ridgeline overlooks the city and stretches from the harbour all the way down to Redfern and beyond: Sydney's Inner South.

From the CBD, Eastside is only a few minutes walk away. Heading due East from Town Hall Station along Park Street, then William Street will get you to the Coke Sign in King's Cross. Other ways into East Sydney are: across the Domain (past the Art Gallery NSW) to Wooloomooloo steps. Up Oxford St from Hyde Park South. Under the train viaducts from Haymarket to Surry Hills. Or from Central Station South into Strawberry Hills.

NEWTOWN

Only a couple of train stops from the Sydney CBD and just past Broadway/Chippendale is Newtown, the gateway to Sydney's bohemian heart: the Inner West. Newtown's main drag, King Street, has a fantastic cluster of record shops around the station – you can walk in almost any direction and find yourself a vinyl retailer!

Newtown/Enmore is replete with antique, fashion and eccentric retail shops along with many, many food options. With tonnes of small bars and music venues, it's also fast becoming Sydney's vinyl hub, so no tour of this city is complete without a day spent on King Street and Enmore Road.

Hot Tip: Head down Enmore Road for fantastic food and retail.

INNER WEST

While not as central as the Newtown cluster, the Inner West shops are all well worth a visit. Just a few bus stops down Parramatta Road you'll find the Vintage Record near the Annandale Hotel. One step further and just 5 minutes down the road from Sydenham train Station and you're in bustling Marrickville, (arguably) home to Sydney's best pork rolls.

This is where you'll find RPM Records Posters Memorabilia, Resist Records and Sounds Espresso – a music-themed cafe nestled in among Marrickville's industrial area, where more than a few small bars are popping up.

NORTHERN BEACHES

Sydney's North is loosely divided by Middle Harbour into the North Shore and the Northern Beaches. The Northern Beaches are a little tricky to get to seeing as how there is no train line and so a bus or ferry (highly recommended) you'll have to take or the traffic you'll have to brave. This is, however, an excellent day trip and buses and ferry's are frequent. The Northern Beaches are one of Sydney's beautiful natural wonders.

OUTER SUBURBS & BEYOND

There are plenty of spots to explore off the beaten path! Parramatta is often called Sydney's second CBD. Catch a ferry up there from Circular Quay, or take a train from Central.

From the CBD you can also do a quick mission to Jannali or Hornsby, or go a little deeper into the Blue Mountains to explore Katoomba and Blackheath. No matter which direction you're feeling, we've got vinyl spots for you.

HAPPY DIGGIN'

This guide is a collaborative effort by all the indie record stores listed here and on our website. Thanks to everyone involved.

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1 UTOPIA RECORDS

Lower Ground Flr, 511 Kent Street, Sydney (entrance on Bathurst St) (02) 9571 6662 | contact@utopia.com.au | www.utopia.com.au facebook.com/UtopiaRecordsOfficial | insta: utopiarecords

Mon-Sat: 930am-5pm | Sun: 12pm-4pm Sydney/s home of Metal, Hard Rock & Punk. Est. 1978 – Family owned independent record store. Rare & collectable pressings + bargain bins. Over 5000 new & used vinyl in stock. Heaps of USA, UK, Euro & Jap. pressings. New stock arriving several times a week. We pay top dollar for your vinyl & CD collections large and small.

2 RED EYE RECORDS

143 York Street, Sydney

(02) 9267 7440 | mail@redeye.com.au | www.redeye.com.au facebook.com/redeyeaustralia | instagram: redeyerecords Mon-Wed: 9am-6om | Thu: 9am-7.30pm | Fit-Sat: 9am-6om | Sun: 11am-5pm

Mon-Wea: sam-opm 1 inu: sam-/supm 1 inu: sam-/supm 1 inu: i 1 am-opm Australia's largest independent record store, established 1981, and now centrally located near Sydney Town Hall, opposite the QVB. Massive range of new and used vinyl, CDs, DVDs etc, and special order department second to none. Old-school shop ambience with friendly, helpful staff.

MOJO RECORD BAR

Basement Level, 73 York Street, Sydney (02) 9262 4999 | dan@mojorecordbar.com www.mojorecordbar.com | facebook.com/MojoMusicSydney mojo-record-bar.myshopify.com

Tues -Wed: 12pm-6pm | Thurs-Fri: 12pm-9pm TEMP CLOSURE @ JULY 2021. Updates online. Mojo Record Bar - Vinyl specialists. We buy and trade for collections large and small. A record store in the front and a bar out back. We stock a good mix of new release, reissue and secondhand vinyl of all genres.

4 BIRDLAND RECORDS

#3, Level 4, 428 George Street (Dymocks Building) (02) 9231 1188 | orders@birdland.com.au | birdland.com.au Tue: 12pm-4pm | Wed-Frit: 10am-4pm | Sat: 9am-4;30pm | Mon-Sun: Closed

30 years old and still going strong! Stocking a vast range of jazz, blues, soul and world titles on CD, SACD & vinyl, from labels like ECM, Tzadik, ACT, Blue Note, Winter&Winter, Sunnyside, Cuneiform. Weekly imports from the US, Japan, and Europe. New Audiophile LPs from Analogue Productions, Mobile Fidelity, Blue Note etc. Secondhand vinyl LPs & CDs.

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EASTSIDE

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Town Hall along Park Street, then William Street will get you to the Coke Sign on the East Sydney ridge. A ten minute walk to a week's worth of fun. Kings Cross, Surry Hills, Darlinghurst.

5 THE RECORD STORE 34/277 Crown Street, Surry Hills

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(02) 9380 8223 | counter@therecordstore.com.au | recordstore.com.au 11am – 5pm | 7 days a week. NOTE THE NEW ADDRESS. We buy, sell and trade vinyl records. Specialists in Aussie electronic and new release import dance 12s. We carry tasty selection of new & vintage Rock, Indie, Funk, Soul, Jazz, Blues, Turntablist & Reggae LPs as well as loads of \$10 second hand records (rock/dance). Turntables, needles, headphones & accessories. Deep Cleaning, De-Warp and Vinyl to Digital services. Insta: recordstoresyd

6 RADIO FREE ALICE

134A Darlinghurst Road, Darlinghurst (02) 8094 8520 | radiofreealice@gmail.com www.radiofreealice.com facebook.com/radiofreealice | instagram.com/radiofreealice Monday-Saturday: 11am-6pm | Sun: Closed

Radio Free Alice. Specialist in vinyl releases across all genres. We also stock imported CDs, DVDs and books.





Manly: Ferries departing frequently from Circular Quay. Bus services @ Wynyard Station.

Northern Beaches:

Buses leave from the park at Wynyard Station or hire a car and tour the beaches.

DESIRE BOOKS & RECORDS 3 Whistler St, Manly

NORTHERN BEACHES

(02) 9977 0888 | info@pigeonground.com www.pigeonground.com | facebook.com/pigeonground Mon-Tues: Closed | Wed-Sun: 10am-5pm

Fresh stock added every week, we stock quality secondhand and new vinyl with a focus on LPs and 12" from the 'vinyl year' of the 20th century from blues and jazz to classic rock, funk and disco to experimental, the esoteric and everything in between. Just a short ferry ride from Sydney's CBD.



8 SANDY'S MUSIC 870 Pittwater Road, Dee Why (02) 9982 7353 | sandysmusic@hotmail.com www.facebook.com/sandvsmusic Mon-Fri: 9.30am-5.30pm | Sat: 9am-4pm

Sandy's Music started selling vinyl on the Northern Beaches in 1973 as a family business and we are still doing it today. We coverall genres of music on both vinyl and CD and have new stock arriving daily.

> Parking in Newtown is notoriously hard to find ... Buses or trains are your best bet. Train: Platform 19 from Central or Platform 1 from Town Hall. Bus: Bailway Square, Stand C.

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567 King Street, Newtown (02) 9517 3324 | 567king@gmail.com

NEWTOWN & INNER WEST

www.567king.com | insta: 567king | facebook.com/567king Mon-Wed: 11am-6pm | Thurs: 11am-8pm | Fri: 11am-8pm | Sat: 10am-5pm

Sun: 11am-4pm. 567 King are the Sydney Hip Hop Specialists. We sell a wide range of local and international Hip Hop on vinyl and CD, plus a selection of funk, breaks, soul and requae on wax. We also have an extensive range of graffiti art supplies, books, clothing and more.

10 CLASSIC HI-FL

550 King Street, Newtown (02) 9557 7440 | info@classic-hifi.net www.classic-hifi.net

Check website for opening days & hours

Hundreds of LPs in stock, Rock, Blues, Jazz, R&B and more, Our main offering is what's needed to play your vinyl on - specialising in vintage turntables, amplifiers, speakers, about 150 at any one time, all from the 70s & 80s, fully serviced, all with our warranty.

HALCYON DAZE RECORDS

498a King St. Newtown

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(02) 9565 1804 | halcyondazerecords@gmail.com halcyondazerecords.com.au | instagram: halcyondazerecords Mon-Tue: closed | Wed, Fri: 11am-5pm | Thu: 11am-5pm | Fri: 11am-5pm Sat: 10am-6pm | Sun: 12pm-5pm Here on South King Street, we seek out the lost, the weird and all things wonderful in the world of vinyl. Offering up a melting pot of classics and obscurities with a tip towards a soulful, funky jazz vibe and things in-between. Vintage turntables, amplifiers and more.



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12 SOMETHING FLSE RECORDS 488 King Street, Newtown

somethingelsesvdnev@gmail.com

facebook.com/somethingelserecordstore | @somethingelsesvdnev Thurs-Fri: 11am-7pm | Sat-Sun: 11am-5pm

Stocking the latest house, techno & varied electronica vinyl, as well as selected 2nd hand collections. Also DJ equipment such as: Allen & Heath and Numark mixers. Audio Technica & refurbished Technics turntables. headphones, stylus/carts, slipmats, cleaning products and more.

13 REPRESSED RECORDS

413 King Street, Newtown

(02) 9557 6237 | repressed records@gmail.com

www.repressedrecords.com | Instagram.com/repressedrecords Mon-Sat: 10am-6pm | Sunday: 11am-5pm

Specialist in new independent Australian and import vinvl releases, Also stocking Punk, Metal, Hip Hop, Experimental, Electronic, Jazz, Rock and Pop. Wide variety of secondhand titles also in stock! We love all obsolete media: books, CDs, DVDs and cassettes,

14 FGG RECORDS

3 Wilson Street, Newtown (02) 9550 6056 | info@eggrecords.com www.eggrecords.com l instagram.com/egg_records Open seven days: 11am-5pm

Now in our 21st year, Egg Records is the place to find an extensive range of new and used LPs, 7" Singles, CDs, T-Shirts, Memorabilia and Books of every type of genre. New stock weekly. We offer a record cleaning service for your precious vinyl.

15 SCRATCHES RECORD STORE

10/80 Wilson St, Newtown. Cnr Brown St & Brown Ln. +61 432 577 662 | info@scratchesrecords.com scratchesrecords.com | facebook.com/scratchesrecordsstore Mon: Closed | Tue, Wed, Sun: 11am-5pm | Thu: 11am-9pm | Fri-Sat: 11am-6pm

Sydney's recently established independent Hip Hop label Scratches Records, has opened its very own record store. Pushing the dopest vinyl (of all genres), CDs, books, streetwear, guality vintage & retro threads, classic comics, artworks, graffiti/art supplies, workshops & events.

16 HUM ON KING

271 King Street, Newtown

(02) 9550 3553 | humonking@hum.com.au | www.hum.com.au Mon, Wed 10:30am-5.30pm | Tue: 10am-5pm | Thur, Sat: 10am-9pm

Fri: 10.30am-9pm | Sun 11am-9pm The premier music store of the Inner West. We stock an eclectic range of new release LPs & CDs with a comprehensive back catalogue across all genres in addition to a wide range of DVDs & Blu-ray TV Series, World, Film Noir, Anime, Documentary, Arthouse. Official stockist of Audio Technica Turntables & Headphones.













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12 COTTONMOUTH RECORDS × 1831 ★ 182 Enmore Rd. Enmore Enmore Rd 02 9557 1644 | cottonmouthlabel@gmail.com cottonmouth-records.com | facebook.com/cottonmouthrecords instagram: cotton mouth records Wednesday-Sunday: 12pm-12am Est, 2015 – Cottonmouth Records is a record label, record store and small bar that stocks a large range of vinvl with a focus on hard to get new and second hand vinvl releases. Beer, Whisky, Vinvl. × 1921 ★ 18 PAPA DISOUO 109 Enmore Rd, Newtown papadisquo.com.au | info@papadisquo.com.au Enmore Rd instagram: papadisquo.records Mon-Fri: 11am-7pm | Sat: 11am-6pm | Sun: 12pm-6pm ENMORE THEATR Purveyors of dead peoples' music on obsolete technologies. Hit up our website for taste of what you can expect to find instore. Music, merch, equipment and more. **≁**^ | ★ **19 THE VINTAGE RECORD** 31A Parramatta Road, Annandale (02) 9550 4667 | shop@thevintagerecord.com www.thevintagerecord.com Mon-Wed: Closed | Thursday-Sunday: 11am-5pm Parramatta Br Specialising in quality vinyl across all genres, regular import orders and overseas buying trips means the stock is constantly updated. It's never Corunna Lu boring in a record shop... especially ours! **20** RESIST RECORDS < 102 I★ 38 Chapel St. Marrickville hanel S (02) 9557 8771 | info@resistrecords.com facebook.com/Resistrecords | instagram.com/resistrecords www.resistrecords.com Mon-Wed: 10.30am-5.30pm | Thurs: 10.30am-6pm | Fri: 10.30am-5.30pm Sat: 10.30am-5.00pm | Sun: 10.30am-4pm. FFounded in 1996, Resist is a Marrickville-based emporium specialising in all things punk and hardcore, as well as a wide range of classics across hip hop, metal, pop and more. < 18 ± **21** SOUNDS ESPRESSO 268 Victoria Road, Marrickville (02) 9572 6959 | soundsespresso@hotmail.com www.soundsespresso.com.au Mon-Fri: 9am-4pm | Sat-Sun: By Appointment Sounds Espresso is a retro-style licensed music cafe located in Marrickville. We serve up a great brew and juicy beats & pieces. Come for a dig, some

cake or to just put your feet up with a cup of lovingly brewed coffee.



 Train from City Ferry Circular Quay F3 – it's a lovely cruise. Train places you very close too.
Driving It's about an hour from the CBD via the M2. Op Shops and more out that way.

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MIX UP MUSIC / THE VINYL SECTION 9 Coronation St, Hornsby Mix Up: (02) 9482 1107 | Vinyl Section: 0411 046 796 (Peter) getmoving@bigpond.com Mon: 9am-8on | Tue-Sat: 9am-5on | Sun: Closed

Always an interesting selection of used vinyl and CDs across all genres, specialising in jazz, soundtracks and 1960s. Heaps of \$5 bargains. Always buying; HAVE CASH WILL TRAVEL. Find us on Facebook: The-Vinyl-Section



PARRAMATTA & BLUE MOUNTAINS

 Parramatta Ferry Circular Quay F3 – it's a lovely cruise. Train places you very close too.
Katoomba / Blackheath

Katoomba / Blackheath By train or car is 2 hours so stay a night or two, it's lovely up there!

Markets, Op-Shops and treats.

29 BEATDISC RECORDS

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Shop 11 Queensland Arcade, 181 Church Street, Parramatta (02) 9891 9330 | info@beatdisc.com.au

www.beatdisc.com.au | facebook.com/beatdisc | insta: beatdisc Mon-Wed, Fri: 10am-5:30pm | Thur: 10am-8pm | Sat: 10am-4:30pm | Sun:

11am-4pm Established in 1995, Beatdisc Records stocks new, used and rare LPs, CDs & Cassettes, as well as turntables and accessories. We have a dedicated focus on vinyl across a wide range of genres, with over 7000 titles in-stock and always growing. Customer orders+mail order. Stock arriving daily.



76 Bathurst Road, Katoomba Great Wes KATOOMBA (02) 4782 5277 | thevelvetfoa@biapond.com facebook.com/thevelvetfogrecords Mon-Sat: 10:00am-5:00pm | Closed Sunday With a brand new premises, Velvet Fog in Katoomba is a diggers' paradise. Check out our huge range of guality records of all genres, books, CDs, DVDs and stereo equipment. We also buy, sell, repair service and carry parts for vintage and modern hi-fi. < √ |Ø|★ Hat Hill Rd **26 HAT HILL RECORDS & AUDIO** Ö Collier Arcade RIACKHEATH GARDENS 23-25 Govett's Leap Rd, Blackheath (02) 4787 5246 | info@hathillgallerv.com.au Park Ave instagram: @hat hill records and art Govetts's Leap Rd Open 7 davs Newcastle Now vou're really going the distance! NEWCASTLE Next time you visit Wallsend, Hiss & Crackle have you covered. +BYRON BAY Byron Bay Howl & Moan are ready and waiting to cater for all your recorded music needs. ~ 1831 × HISS & CRACKLE RECORDS Shop 5, 117 Nelson St. Wallsend arles St (02) 4001 0583 | 0403755925 | Mitchel@hissandcrackle.com www.hissandcrackle.com | facebook.com/hissandcracklerecords Wed-Fri: 11am-5pm | Sat: 9am-3pm | Sun-Tues: Closed Located in the Western Newcastle suburb of Wallsend just off the F3. Hiss & Crackle offers a great range of new & pre-loved vinyl records Robert Sc (including imports) along with cassettes and CDs. There is also a Newcastle music section containing a vast array of independent local artists. ~ 1831 × **28 HOWL & MOAN RECORDS** TOURIST Marvel St INFORMATION Shop 4, 103 Jonson Street, Byron Bay CENTRE

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0413 999 691 | howlandmoanrecords@gmail.com facebook.com/howlandmoanrecords | @howlandmoanrecords Open 7 days per week: 9am-5.30pm – Surf conditions permitting!

25 THE VELVET FOG

Byron Bay's only Record Store, stocking new and used records, cassettes, turntables & accessories, band merch & memorabilia, posters, vintage clothing, espresso coffee. Specialising in local, independent and alternative music. Special orders taken and we ship nationally & internationally.



SOUTHERN FRINGE, SOUTH COAST **& BEYOND**

Jannali is an easy 30 minutes from Central or Town Hall Wollongong Hit the road. 80 mins, from the CBD, and the train is always an option. Canberra Got records too!

29 SAUCE RECORDS

60 Railway Cresent, Jannali

0421 085 458 | info@saucerecords.com.au

www.saucerecords.com.au | facebook.com/saucerecordsaustralia Wed-Fri:10am-4.30pm | Saturday: 10am-2pm

Sauce Records stocks a great selection of new and used vinyl, CDs, music related DVDs. Books, T-shirts, Framed Prints, Audio Equipment, Guitar accessories and more. We stock a wide variety of different genres and if we don't have it in stock, we will happily try to source it for you.

30 MUSIC FARMERS

228 Keira Street, Wollongong (02) 4228 0459 | mail@musicfarmers.com www.musicfarmers.com

Mon-Wed: 10am-6pm | Thu: 10am-7pm | Fri: 10am-6pm | Sat: 10am-4pm Sun: 11am-3pm, Vinyl specialist record shop in central Wollongong established in 2004. Stocking latest releases and classic reissues on new vinyl as well as a large range of secondhand vinyl. We also stock turntables, books, CDs, DVDs and host occasional instore shows.

31 FRANKS WILD YEARS

3/2a Raymond Road, Thirroul

0492 990 881 | hello.frankswildyears@gmail.com frankswildvears.com | facebook.com/frankswildvearsthirroul

Mon-Tue: Closed | Wed-Sun: 11am til late. Seaside record store with a wide selection of second-hand vinvl, local independent new releases on LP, EP and 7s, cassettes (new + second-hand), select books, CDs and vintage HI-FI. Regular live music, less than 1.5 hrs from Sydney. Bar & Restaurant from 4pm weekdays and midday weekends. Come and have a dig and a cocktail!

32 LANDSPEED RECORDS

30 Garema Place, Canberra ACT (02) 6248 9220 | info@landspeed.com.au landspeedrecords.com.au

Mon-Thurs: 10am-5pm | Fri: 10am-6pm | Sat: 10am-5pm | Sun: 11am-3pm Established in 1994 Landspeed Records is Canberra's leading

independent music store. We stock a broad range of new records and CDs across all genres. Plus huge range of band merch and new and vintage ladies fashion + more!











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