



# PITTWATER YHA

*Information for guests booking online*

## **Thank you for making your online booking to stay at Pittwater YHA.**

Pittwater YHA is in a unique location of natural beauty and is reached by water access, taking the ferry or water taxi from Church Point to Halls Wharf.

Show your YHA or HI membership card to obtain a discount on your full return ferry ticket.

To help with your stay, the following notes add to the information you have already seen on Pittwater YHA's webpages. So please refer to these notes for "what to bring", "how to get there" and other advice related to your stay.

Print or write down what you need from the following information page and use the attached Locality Map.

And don't forget

- Bring your food supplies with you
- Allow for the 15 minute walk uphill on the bush track to the hostel. So best to pack lightly, preferably using a backpack.

Arrivals are from midday onwards. Arrivals after 8.00pm by prior arrangement.

## **See you at Pittwater!**

Michael and Sarah  
Pittwater YHA Managers  
Ph: (02) 9999 5748 (8-11am and 5-8pm)





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Pittwater YHA is located 30 km north of Sydney. It is surrounded by the Ku-ring-gai Chase National Park & situated on a hillside with stunning views of Pittwater and the park. The hostel provides a relaxing retreat away from the hectic pace of the city.

## What to bring

Bring your food supplies as there are no shops in the national park. There is a good shopping centre at Mona Vale, which is nearby. The small shop at the Church Point wharf has limited supplies. Herbs and spices, cooking oil, margarine and sugar are supplied at the hostel.

Also bring suitable clothes for bushwalking and paddling: walking shoes, hat/sun screen, insect repellent, swimming clothes, binoculars... and so on. Bring warm clothes for the winter months.

If you are travelling with bed linen (top and bottom sheet and pillow case) bring these. Otherwise you can hire the bed linen for \$2 pp. YHA hostels do not permit the use of sleeping bags so best not to bring these.

The alcohol policy at the hostel permits beer and wine in moderation. Spirit and spirit-based drinks are not permitted. Best to pack lightly, preferably with a backpack.

## How to get there

To reach the hostel you travel to Church Point, 30 km north of the city, at Church Point you catch the ferry/water taxi.

- **From Sydney Airport** take train to Central Station.
- **From the city**, Railway Square at Central (Lee St Stand B) or Wynyard (Carrington St Stand D), take a direct bus, E86, weekday afternoon peak hours 4.30 pm to 5.45 pm – the E86 requires advance purchase of ticket. Alternatively, from city, take L88 or L90 bus and change to 156 bus at Mona Vale to reach Church Point. The L155 bus also comes to Church Point after about 8pm – check with the driver.
- **From Manly wharf** take 156 bus direct to Church Point.
- **From Church Point wharf** take ferry or water taxi to Halls wharf then 15 minute walk on bush track uphill following YHA signs to hostel. If arriving after dark, bring a torch to see sign posts and reflective markers. Last ferry 7 pm weekdays and 6.30 pm weekends and public holidays. Water taxi at all times. Arrivals are from midday onwards and after 8 pm by prior arrangement.
- **By car** there is a public, pay-and-display car park at Church Point. Limited street parking is also available.

## Hostel facilities

The hostel kitchen is very well equipped including a commercial fridge, cook tops, oven, microwave and all the pots pans and utensils needed for making homely meals. We have an outdoor gas barbeque.

The bedrooms all have douvets. Blankets are supplied during the colder months. Bathroom facilities are shared. The hostel has an open fireplace in the common lounge room for the colder times

There is a selection of games for guest's use, a Roland electric piano, acoustic guitar and ukulele.

## Activities

Apart from the activity of enjoying doing nothing, there are bushwalks to spectacular lookouts, aboriginal engraving sites and coves around Pittwater. Native animals and birds are abundant and easily seen from the hostel and on walks. Scenic ferry rides can be taken to reach further destinations including Palm Beach.

There are 6 double kayaks (can easily be paddled as singles) available for guest's hire to explore the national park shores, nearby mangrove inlet and surrounding bays. Sailing can be arranged through the local sailing school.

## See you soon!

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See following page - "Locality Map"  
that shows the walking track to the hostel

# Morning Bay — Lovett Bay locality map



- Private property - no access
  - Council / National Park
  - Pittwater YHA - private property (guest accommodation)
  - Walking track
  - NPWS trail
  - Route to Pittwater YHA with reflective markers
  - Signpost to Pittwater YHA
- 0 (approx) 100 metres

**Arrivals to Pittwater YHA**

- catch ferry/water taxi from Church Point to Halls Wharf, then 15 min walk uphill to the hostel
- follow YHA signposts – if arriving after dark bring a torch to see reflective markers (or ask manager for escort). Ph 9999 5748 (8-11 am and 5-8 pm)