

LESSONS AFLOAT INFORMATION PACK

OPERATING FOR OVER 40 YEARS

CIRRICULUM

All Lessons Afloat excursions include the exclusive hire of one of the classic Rosman Ferries with a highly experienced excursion leader. Each vessel has two levels with a surround sound PA system where children are engaged with the lesson and surrounds. Each student is supplied a map of Sydney Harbour on the day in addition to the worksheet that is sent prior. Each full day excursion has the option for lunch stops at Clifton Gardens or Watsons Bay as well as a visit to Shark Island.

Listed below is a brief description of the units of study covered in each stage we offer. More detail on each unit of study, please read our excursion summary.

Kindergarten to Year Six

Stage One (1)

Unit of Study includes:

- Places we know, Shelter, Transport, Wet and Dry Environments and Workers in the community.

Stage Two (2)

Unit of Study includes:

- Australia You Are Standing in It, Places - Then, Now and Tomorrow, Barangaroo, Bridges, British Colonisation and State and National Parks

Stage Three (3)

Units of Study include:

- Global Connections, Bridges, Living Things, Environment Matters, Sydney A Working City and Government

Year Seven to Year Twelve

Stage Four (4)

Unit of study includes:

- Geography & History and Geography & Tourism and History 1788 - 1900

Stage Five (5)

Unit of study include:

- Commerce, Geography and History, Visual Arts, History and World War II

Stage Six (6)

Unit of Study includes:

- Geography and Navigation

Lessons Afloat also offer affordable 'end of year' excursions, to learn more about this please give us a call on (02) 9925 0306 or email us at info@lessonsafloat.com.au

ITINERARY

Half Day:

10:00 hrs - Pick up at advised wharf.

- x1 Lessons Afloat excursion leader
 - o A leader can be allocated to your booking or if a school has a preferred leader, please inform us at the time of booking.
- Map of the harbour, 1 per student/teacher
- Worksheets of unit
 - o These will be emailed to the school for printing three (3) days prior to the excursion, or schools have the choice of providing their own worksheet.
- Optional: 20 minutes at Shark Island, additional cost incurred \$2.20 per student

12:00 hrs- Set down at advised wharf.

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 - Map of the harbour, 1 per student/teacher
- Worksheets of unit
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- Optional: 20 minutes at Shark Island, additional cost incurred \$2.20 per student

14:00 hrs - Set down at advised wharf.

Full Day

10:00 hrs - Pick up at advised wharf.

- x1 Lessons Afloat excursion leader
 - o A leader can be allocated to your booking or if a school has a preferred leader, please inform us at the time of booking.
- Map of the harbour, 1 per student/teacher
- Worksheets of unit
 - o These will be emailed to the school for printing three (3) days prior to the excursion, or schools have the choice of providing their own worksheet.
- **LUNCH:** choice of stopping at Clifton Gardens or Watsons Bay, 40-minute break
- Optional: 20 minutes at Shark Island, additional cost incurred \$2.20 per student

14:00 hrs - Set down at advised wharf.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How many teachers/adults can go on the excursion?

As many as you feel comfortable, but at least one (1) adult to ten (10) students.

Are the teachers/adults charged for the excursion?

No, only the students are charged.

Can we eat on Shark Island?

Yes, you can eat on Shark Island. But please be sure to collect all the trash as it is a National Park, and we want to leave it as beautiful as it was when we arrived.

Can we be picked up and set down in different locations?

Yes.

What is the cost?

A half day is \$23.50/student, and a full day is \$33.50/student, with a minimum charge of 60 students. Shark Island is an additional \$2.20/student (no minimum number of students). *Prices are inclusive of GST.*

Where can we stop for lunch?

Clifton Gardens is recommended for primary schools because there is a playground. Watson's Bay is a popular lunch stop for secondary schools because it has shops for the students to buy lunch.

Where do we get on the ferry?

The most common wharves to load the ferry are in Circular Quay, Valentia Street in Woolwich, or in the various wharves around North Sydney, all depending on your school location.

Do we need to bring anything?

Yes. Lessons Afloat emails the worksheets for the excursion ahead of time for the teacher to make copies of for the students. No pens, pencils or clipboards are supplied.

Also, the schools/students are responsible for food and drink.

If we have a large group, do we have to split up the students?

We can accommodate up to 140 students on one vessel. If there is more than that we often split the class into 2 vessels at no additional cost.

What happens in case of wet weather?

We will provide you with an outside of business contact number to phone should you need to cancel the morning of the excursion.

You will need to phone the number before 7.00am and the contact number will be located at the top of the booking confirmation we sent to you.

What kind of access do wheelchair passengers have?

With wheelchair passengers, we will need to be notified prior to the excursion to make sure you are picked up and dropped off at a wheelchair friendly wharf. Access to the lunch stops at Clifton Gardens and Watsons Bay as well as the Shark Island visit will need to be assessed on a case-by-case basis. These wharves are not wheelchair friendly.

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For further information or to book your **Lessons Afloat** excursion, please contact:

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