



What is a Visual Story?

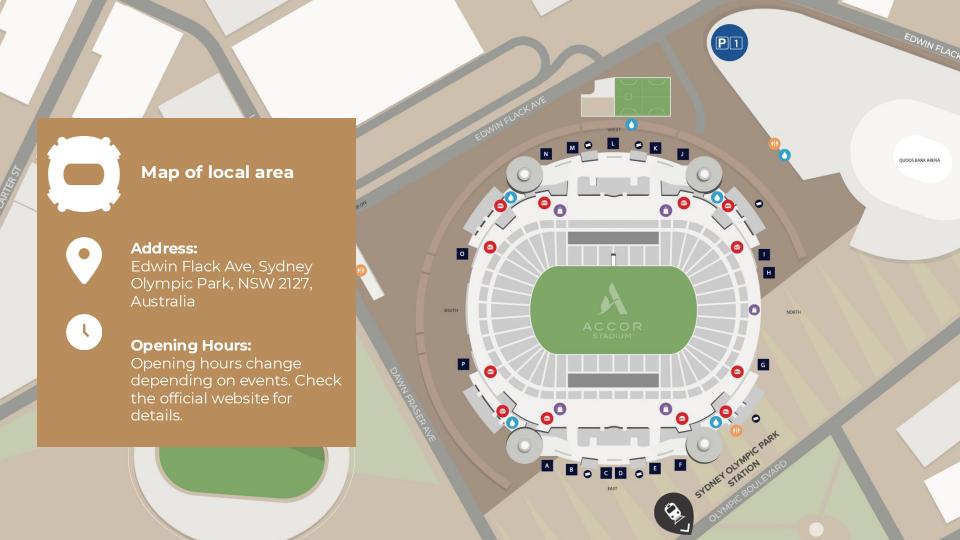
Visual stories are written in an easy-to-read format and use pictures to provide greater accessibility for everyone.

This Visual Story has been developed in collaboration with **Autism Spectrum Australia**. Visual stories are used to prepare people for a new environment or situation.

Before I go ... I can click on this link to look at the Accor stadium website: Visit Accor Stadium's website







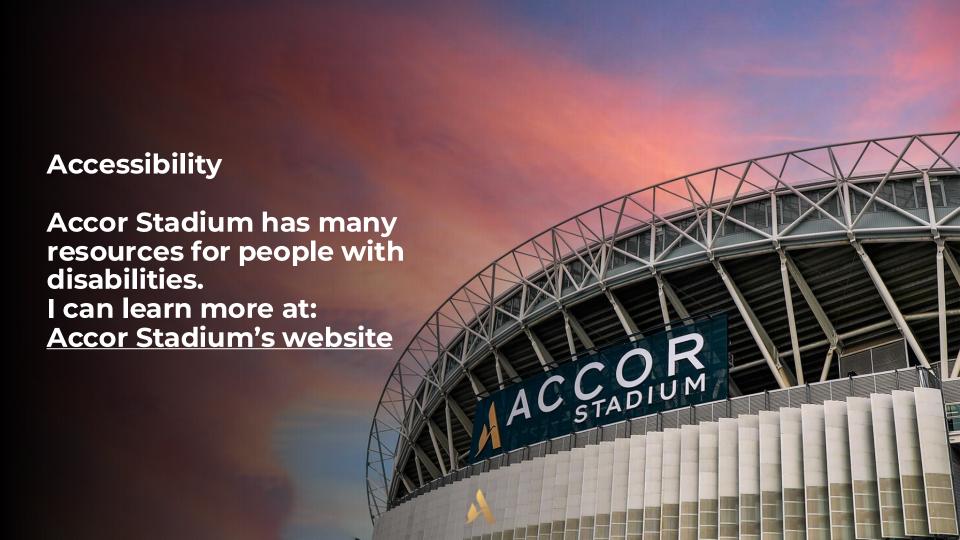
The Hidden Disabilities Sunflower Lanyards

Accor Stadium supports and recognises the Hidden Disability Sunflower.

The Sunflower is a globally recognised symbol for Hidden Disabilities. The lanyard is a way that people with Hidden Disabilities can indicate to staff that they may need extra support, time, and understanding. There will be a limited number of lanyards available at the stadium. It is OK if I don't have a lanyard, I can still get help if I need. If I already have a Sunflower lanyard I can bring it with me.







Accessibility



Wheelchair Assistance?

- •For select events, our Accessibility Squad is here to support your access and inclusion needs.
- •If you'd like assistance on event day, simply fill out <u>the form</u> below so we can help.
- *Tickets must be purchased before.



Toilets & Changing Facilities

- Accessible toilets are located throughout the stadium.
- Gender-neutral toilets are also provided.



Mobility & Wheelchair Access

- The stadium has ramps, lifts, and wide pathways for wheelchair users.
- Accessible seating
 is available
 throughout the
 stadium—check with
 the ticket provider.



Hidden Disabilities Sunflower Lanyard

- The stadium supports the Hidden Disabilities Sunflower Program.
- Staff are trained to assist guests wearing a Sunflower Lanyard.



Accessibility



Auslan & Language Support

- Some concerts and special events offer Auslan interpreters.
- Extra language support may be available if requested.



Quiet Rooms & Sensory Resources

- Quiet Rooms
 located near Gate K
 (near Aisle
 127) provide a calm
 space for visitors.
- Sensory maps and communication boards are available.
- Staff are trained to support guests with accessibility needs.



Assistance Animals

- Accredited assistance animals are welcome.
- Relief areas are available for assistance animals.



Accessibility

I am going to Accor Stadium. The stadium is fully accessible.

If I need help, I can ask the staff. It's a good idea to contact the venue by filling the contact us form before my visit if I have any questions or want to talk about accessibility needs.

All gates have an accessible entrance. I will use the gate on my ticket to get to my seat.

If I have seats on Levels 2-6, I can use the **lift** after I enter through the turnstile. If I need help getting to the lift on Level 6, I will ask the staff.

At the gate, I will tell the staff if I need assistance.
They will help me get to my seat using the lift.

I bought Auslan seats for a concert, I will follow the details on my ticket. I will enter through the arena gates and go down to the arena. If I need help with the lift, I can ask the staff.

There is a sensory room on Level 1 inside Gates A/B. Quiet rooms are on Level 5. I will speak to staff for help finding them.

Sensory bags are available. I can ask a staff member for one.



Sensory Information

Events at Accor Stadium can be busy, noisy, bright, and loud



 There is a sensory room on Level 1 (inside Gates A/B.)



 There are quiet rooms on Level 5 (on both sides of the stadium)
 I can ask staff for directions.



 I can ask to borrow a sensory bag at the bag check-in desk.



 Events at the stadium can be loud and have unexpected noises.
 I can bring noisecancelling headphones or my own earplugs. I can also ask for earplugs from staff



What to bring

Things I might want to bring:



My Printed or mobile tickets for entry.



(umbrellas are not allowed)



Refillable water bottle (no metal or glass)



Sunscreen (non-aerosol), sunglasses and hat for sun protection.



Headphones.



Sensory items (earplugs, fidget tools, sunglasses).



Things I CANNOT Bring:

For a full list of permitted and prohibited items, visit Accor Stadium's website.



Rules



Entry & Security

- I will enter only through the gate on my ticket.
- I must wear a wristband if I am on the arena floor.
- Security checks and bag screening are required.
- I will not bring large bags (A3 size max).



Venue Facilities

- Food, bars, and toilets are available on Level 1.
- There are free drinking water stations.
- I can only smoke/vape in designated areas.
- The venue is cashless – there are no ATMs.



Concert Etiquette

- I will dance safely.
- I will sing at a reasonable volume (not shout).
- I will not stand on seats, crowd surf, or mosh.
- I will not block views or use offensive language.



Weather

- The event runs rain or shine – I will bring a poncho.
- I will plan ahead and check transport and security rules.
- I will visit the Accor Stadium website for full details.



Food & Drink

Bringing Your Own Food & Drink

- I can bring a refillable water bottle (no metal or glass).
- I can not bring my own food, except for medical or dietary needs. I can not bring outside alcoholic beverages or glass containers.

Food & Drink Options at the Stadium

- I will need to bring an Eftpos card or make mobile payments on my phone because all stores inside the stadium are cashless.
- I can buy food inside the stadium. There are a variety of food and drink options available. I can see the full menu and dietary options on the <u>Accor Stadium</u> website.
- Options include gluten-free, halal, vegan, and vegetarian meals.

Where Can I Eat & Drink?

 I can eat or drink any food I purchase inside the stadium at designated seating near the restaurants or at my seat in the stands.



Booking tickets/pricing

How to Book Tickets

- I will buy my ticket **online,** only through the official ticketing partner listed on the <u>Accor website</u>.
- I will download my ticket on the app or add it to my phone wallet.

Ticket Costs & Fees

- Ticket prices change depending on the event I will check the event page for details.
- Service fees may apply, like transaction or delivery fees.

Refund Policy

- All sales are final I can only get a refund if the event is cancelled.
- I will not get a **refund** or **exchange** if I change my mind.





Booking tickets/pricing

Accessibility & Companion Cards

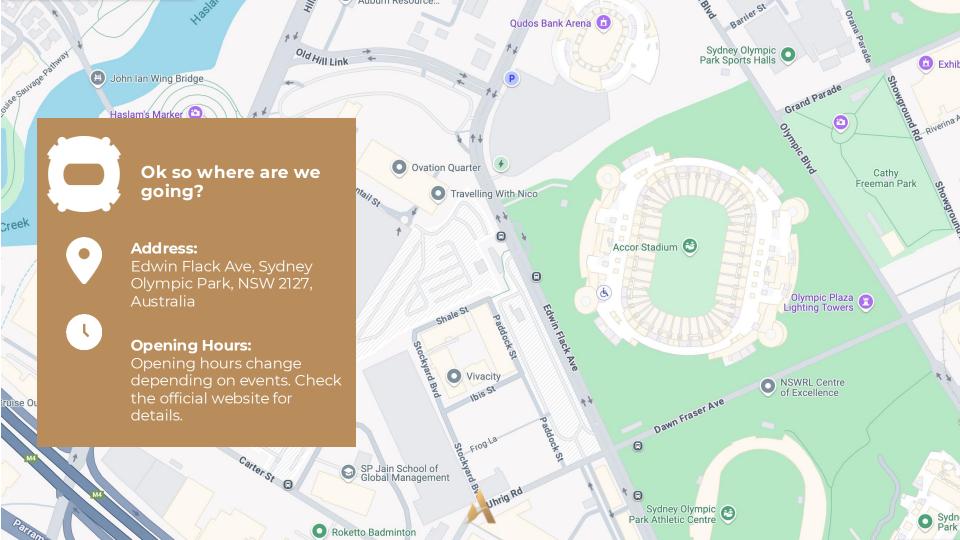
- Accessible seating is available for wheelchair users and other disabilities.
- Companion Cards are accepted I will book through the accessibility team.

Additional Fees

- No print-at-home fees tickets are mobile only.
- Late booking fees may apply.
- I can visit the Accor Stadium website for full ticketing terms and conditions.







How will we get there?



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- I should pre-book my parking if I am driving to the stadium.
- I will book my parking 7 to 10 working days before the event through <u>Sydney Olympic</u> <u>Park</u>.
- On busy event days, if I don't book parking early, I may not get a space.
- If I want to book, I will <u>CLICK HERE TO PRE-BOOK PARKING</u>
 If I have an RTA Mobility Parking Scheme permit:
- I can <u>click here</u> to **pre-book an accessible parking space** with Sydney Olympic Park.
- I will **display my RTA permit** to avoid a fine.
- I can click here to book accessible parking (link provided in original).



Taxi/Rideshare

- I can catch a taxi from the taxi rank near the Novotel hotel on Olympic Boulevard, close to Accor Stadium.
- If I use a ride share or hire car, I can get dropped off and picked up on Dawn Fraser Avenue.
- Things I need to know on event days:
- I may see road closures and heavy traffic near Accor Stadium.
- I should leave early and allow extra time to get there.
- I can check transportnsw.info to see if roads are closed or if there are special rules for the event.



How will we get there?



Bus

- I can catch a bus to Accor Stadium.
- Sydney Buses run several services to Sydney Olympic Park, so I have different options.
- I can catch Route 525, which runs between Parramatta and Strathfield via Sydney Olympic Park.
- I can catch Route 526, which runs from Rhodes to Burwood via Sydney Olympic Park Ferry Wharf.
- I can catch Route 533, which runs from Sydney Olympic Park to Chatswood via Rhodes and North Ryde.
- Sometimes, my event ticket includes travel on public transport, like buses, trains, or light rail — I should check my event page to find out.



Train

- I can catch a **train** to Accor Stadium.
- The closest train station is Olympic Park Station, and I can walk 5 minutes from there to get to the stadium.
- I can catch a train from Lidcombe Station that goes direct to Olympic Park.
- These trains run every 10 to 20 minutes on weekdays and every 10 minutes on event days.
- If I'm going to a major event, I may be able to catch an extra express or limited stop train.
- Sometimes, my event ticket includes travel on trains, metro, or light rail — I should check the event page to see if this applies.
- I can <u>Click here</u> to see upcoming events and the latest travel tips.
- I can also visit <u>transportnsw.info</u> to plan my trip and get more details.



When we arrive

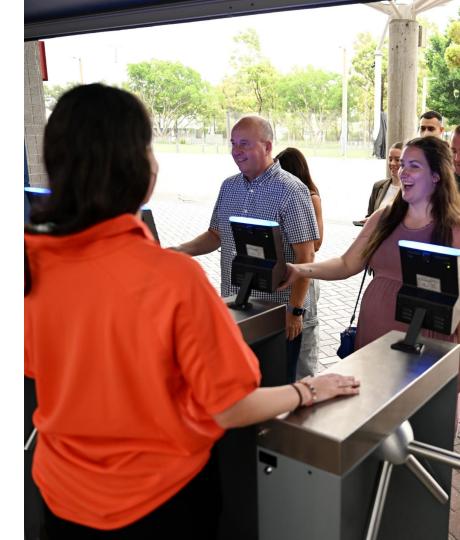
Making my entry easy and stress-free. Arriving at a big venue can feel overwhelming. Here's what to expect when I arrive:

What should I do first?

- I will enter through the gate listed on my ticket.
- There will be security checks and bag screening before I go in.
- If I have any restricted items, I can leave them in the cloakroom (if available).

How long will it take?

- Entry times depend on the crowd, but security and ticket scanning usually take a few minutes.
- If it is a popular event I expect to queue for longer. I can use headphones, my device and stimulation tools if it's helpful to reduce overwhelm





When we arrive

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Here's what to expect when I arrive:

Accessibility Lanes and Navigation

- There are special entry lanes for wheelchair users and people who need extra support.
- I can follow signs to find my seat, toilets, and food outlets.

Suggested Path Routes

- I can use the signs and ask staff for help if I need directions.
- If I want to plan ahead, I can check the Accor Stadium website for maps and more details.





Sequence of events

My Journey from Start to Finish

2. Navigating the Venue

- I can follow signs and ask staff to help me find my seat, food outlets, toilets, and accessible facilities.
- If I need a break, there are quiet areas and sensoryfriendly spaces I can use.

3. Event Experience

- The event will start at the scheduled time, and I can check my ticket or event info for details.
- I can buy food and drinks at special places around the venue.
- If I need accessible seating or services, they will be there for me.



4. Sensory Considerations

- I might hear loud music, crowd noise, and see bright lights.
- Sometimes there might be fireworks or special effects.
- If I need a break, I can go to the **Quiet Room**.



5. Exiting & Getting Home

- I will follow staff instructions to leave safely.
- I can use public transport or rideshare services to get home.
- If I want a quieter way to leave, I can wait in a designated space until less busy.
- For more details, visit <u>Accor Stadium's</u> website.



1. Arrival & Entry

- I will enter through the gate listed on my ticket.
- Security checks and bag screening will take place when I arrive.
- If I need to go on the arena floor, I will be given a wristband.



Getting home/leaving

Getting Home – End of Event Information



Event finishing and exit process

- The event will finish at the planned time, but I know delays might happen.
- I can follow staff directions to find the safest way to leave.
- Exits will be clearly marked.



Public transport options

- After big events, I will be able to catch extra trains, buses, or ferries.
- I can check the Transport NSW website for live updates on times and any delays.



Parking and rideshare

 I can pre-book a taxi or rideshare to make sure I have a way to get home.



Avoiding crowds and quiet exit options

- If I want to avoid the crowds, I can wait in the Quiet Room until it's less busy.
- I can also think about leaving a little early if I don't want to be in a big crowd



Frequently asked questions



Toilets & Accessible Facilities

- I can find toilets, accessible toilets, and Changing Places facilities throughout the stadium.
- I can check venue maps or ask staff to help me find the nearest toilet.



Getting Help

- Venue staff and security are there to help me if I need it.
- I can look for staff wearing uniforms and name badges.
- If I have a question, I can go to an information desk at key points in the stadium.



Quiet Spaces & Overwhelm Support

- If I need a calm place, I can use the Quiet Room(located near Gate K near Aisle 127).
- There are also generally quieter areas in special seating zones.
- If I want to avoid big crowds, I can think about coming as early as possible.



Disruptions & Changes

- If there are delays, cancellations, or changes, I will hear about them on screens, loudspeakers, and on the stadium website.
- I can also follow Accor Stadium's social media or check their website for live updates.



Contact for More Information

- If I have questions about accessibility or inclusion, I can contact the stadium's customer service team.
- I can visit the stadium website to find the right person to contact for accessibility help.



Providing Feedback

 If I want to give feedback, I can do it on the stadium website or at customer service points inside the stadium.



THANK YOU!

If I have any feedback or questions I can:

Visit accorstadium.com.au/contact_us

Or call +61 2 9360 6601 (Monday - Friday, business hours only)





