

Fortitude Valley Security Report

Local security guide - Fortitude Valley QLD 4006 - Inner Brisbane, City of Brisbane

About Fortitude Valley

Fortitude Valley is about 1 km north-east of the Brisbane CBD.

Fortitude Valley, just north-east of the CBD, is Brisbane's main nightlife and entertainment district, with the Brunswick Street and Chinatown malls, James Street's shops and restaurants, live music venues, and a growing number of apartments and offices. The Queensland Police Service recorded 6,497 offences against the person and property in the Fortitude Valley police division in 2025-26, up from 6,136 the year before. Assault (1,087) was one of the largest groups, reflecting the late-night crowds, and there were 678 unlawful entries, most of them into shops and other non-residential buildings.

Housing and local context

Housing stock: Apartment towers, converted warehouses, a few old Queenslanders and workers' cottages, and offices above shops.

The Valley mixes heritage commercial buildings and converted warehouses with new apartment and office towers, while a few timber Queenslanders and workers' cottages survive in the streets towards New Farm and Spring Hill. Many businesses trade late at night and back onto narrow laneways, and apartment buildings share entries, car parks and bike stores with a steady flow of visitors.

Common security concerns in Fortitude Valley

- Late-night crowds and assaults around the entertainment precinct
- Break-ins through rear laneways into venues, shops and offices
- Shared entries and car parks in apartment buildings

Local tip: Secure the laneway entry

Most unlawful entries in the Fortitude Valley division last year were into businesses and other non-residential buildings rather than homes. Venues, shops and offices should treat the rear and side entries as seriously as the front: solid doors with good locks, lighting and cameras on laneways and loading areas, and a monitored alarm with patrol response once the premises close in the early hours.

Security providers servicing Fortitude Valley

Barrier Locksmiths - Locksmiths

Licence not published | ABN 64 604 803 563 | 0429 197 981 | <https://barrierlocksmiths.com.au/>

Defensor Security Systems & CCTV - CCTV & Camera Installation

Licence 4834434 | ABN 83 651 795 890 | 0412 853 618 | <https://defensor.com.au/>

Epic IT - Cybersecurity for Business

Licence not published | 1300 374 248 | <https://www.epicit.com.au/>

Fallon Solutions - CCTV & Camera Installation

Licence 4083376 | ABN 82 757 595 979 | 1300 054 488 | <https://fallonsolutions.com.au/>

JR Security Services - Security Guards & Patrols

Licence 4414318 | 1300 901 450 | <https://jrsecurityservices.com.au/>

Northside Locksmiths - Locksmiths

Licence not published | 07 3350 2077 | <https://northsidelocksmiths.com.au/>

Before you hire: checklist

- Look up the licence number on the relevant state regulator register and confirm it is current.
- Check the ABN on the Australian Business Register (abr.business.gov.au).
- Hardwired 240V work needs a licensed electrician; in-wall data cabling needs an ACMA-registered cabler.
- For guards and patrols, confirm both the firm licence and each attending officer's licence.
- Get at least three written quotes listing camera models, recorder storage and warranty.
- Aim cameras at your own property and consider disabling audio on cameras facing shared areas.