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HUNTER VALLEY

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CHRISTMAS LIGHTS SPECTACULAR

3 DAY TOUR

Departing: Monday 24 January 2022

Returning: Wednesday 26 January 2022



TOUR COST:

\$725 per person Twin/Double Share

\$825 Sole Occupancy

PICK UP TIMES:

7.20am Crawford Street, Queanbeyan
7.40am Goodwin Farrer Retirement Village
8.00am Bay 1, Woden Interchange

8.20am West Row Bus Stop, City
8.30am Riggall Place, Lyneham

DAY 1: (LD): CANBERRA TO MAITLAND: Monday 24 January 2021

Welcome to our 3 day tour to the **Hunter Valley & Port Stephens**. This morning we travel north stopping for lunch enroute to **Newcastle**. Originally named Coal River, the town was founded in 1804 as a place for the most intractable of Sydney's convicts – and was known as the 'hell of NSW'. A **local guide** will join us on the coach to share its history and show us this city of industry with its terraced houses, majestic cathedral and ancient fort. We then continue through to our destination of **Maitland**. Upon arrival we check into our motel for the next two nights.

Old Maitland Inn, Maitland (ph 02 4932 5255)

DAY 2: (BD): HUNTER VALLEY GARDENS: Tuesday 25 January 2021

This morning we enjoy the sights of **Maitland**. The town is lined with historical buildings that date from the early 1800s. Our **local guide** will show us some the area's highlights. Our sightseeing includes a visit to the historic riverport town of **Morpeth**, steeped in history with European settlement dating from the early 1800s. There is time to take a stroll along the Morpeth heritage walk, where we'll discover the vibrant history of Morpeth from a colonial river port to the buzzing township plus meet the colourful locals in one of the many galleries or tempting retail offerings. From here we travel into the **Hunter Valley** where this afternoon we visit the **Hunter Valley Gardens**. Nestled at the foothills of the Brokenback Ranges, in the heart of the Hunter vineyards, we will find over 25 hectares of spectacular international display gardens that will amaze us with sensational sights, colours, fragrances and adventures. Exploring over 8 kilometres of walking paths, we are able to experience each of the superb feature gardens - all of a standard we won't see elsewhere in Australia. We have plenty of time to enjoy the gardens and wander around the village shops located just outside the gardens. Afterwards we enjoy a visit to one of the local wineries for a **wine tasting** before dinner at The Garden Terrace. After dinner we return to the gardens for the **Christmas Lights Spectacular**. Over 100,000 Christmas lights are on show throughout designated areas of the garden. Afterwards we return to our motel.

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DAY 3: (BL): MAITLAND TO HOME: Wednesday 26 January 2021

This morning we farewell our hosts and travel down to **Wangi Wangi** on the western shores of Lake Macquarie to visit **Dobell House**. Noted Australian painter William Dobell lived here from the 1940s to his death in 1970. He was a recipient of the Archibald prize in 1943, 1948, and 1959. The 1943 award became one of the most controversial prizes in Australian art history when anti-modernist forces challenged the decision in court on the grounds that Dobell's experimental portrait of Joshua Smith was not properly a portrait. From here we head to the Central Cast and the **Central Coast Leagues Club** for lunch before heading home.



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