

POTTER TRAVEL

HUNTER VALLEY GARDENS CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

3 DAY TOUR

Departing: Tuesday 3 December 2024
Returning: Thursday 5 December 2024



TOUR COST:

\$995 per person Twin/Double Share
\$1,145 Sole Occupancy

PICK UP TIMES:

7.10am Crawford Street, Queanbeyan
7.30am Platform 6, Woden Interchange

7.50am West Row Bus Stop, City
8.00am Riggall Place, Lyneham

Be lifted by the Spirit of Christmas as we visit the spectacular **Hunter Valley Gardens** and their **Dazzling Christmas Lights display**. Join us to see this gorgeous setting of sparkling lights, immersive displays and delight in the joyful entertainment.

Day 1: (LD) CANBERRA TO MAITLAND: Tuesday 3 December 2024

Welcome to our 3 day tour to witness the **spectacular Christmas Lights** at the glorious Hunter Valley Gardens. Getting underway, we travel north stopping for **lunch** before reaching **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 before dinner.

2 nights | Old Maitland Inn, Maitland | Phone: 02 4932 5255

Day 2: (BLD) THEATRE LUNCH & CHRISTMAS LIGHTS: Wed 4 December 2024

Easing into the day, we venture to **Kurri Kurri** to explore the vibrant outdoor public artworks on display. Embarking on a pictorial journey that narrates the area's rich history, heritage and uniqueness the town's murals unfolds a story of events that shaped the town's character. From here we immerse ourselves in the captivating world of **Aunty Molly** and her acclaimed **cabaret-themed luncheon show** promising entertainment, laughter and a delightful lunch all complemented by a fabulous singalong with **Toni Stevens (aka Toni McLean / Aunty Molly)**. Returning to Maitland, with some time to freshen up and enjoy a light dinner before setting off for the enchanting **Hunter Valley Gardens**. As the sun begins to set, the Gardens burst into brilliance with the **Christmas Lights Spectacular**. Step into a world where over 100,000 Christmas lights illuminate the surroundings, guiding us through the extraordinary displays, including a winter wonderland featuring a snow cave and snow-dusted trees that breathe life into the festive spirit of Christmas.



Day 3: (BL) MAITLAND TO CANBERRA: Thursday 5 December 2024

We farewell our hosts and travel to the **Mortels Sheepskin Factory** where we explore their purpose-built shed and witness a fully operational manufacturing plant in action. Delve into the process of crafting UGG boots, seeing how they transform from raw materials to the final creation. Our journey then leads us to **Berowra** for an early **lunch** before we proceed on to Canberra. As we arrive home later this afternoon, we express our gratitude to our coach captain and take a moment to reflect on the delightful experiences of the past 3 days, where we can now start to be excited for Christmas!



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4. a fee not greater than 5% of the booking value to compensate us for processing the cancellation and any associated refund.

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