Hunter Valley Discovery Christmas Lights Spectacular

With Val Henry

5 Days / 4 Nights















Day 1. Fri 2 Dec: Brisbane - Newcastle - Hunter Valley

This morning we depart from Brisbane to Newcastle.

Flight Details: Brisbane - Newcastle VA1102 0850/1110 (subject to change)

On arrival into Newcastle, we are met by our Coach Captain and begin our journey towards **Raymond Terrace**, where we enjoy our lunch stop overlooking the Hunter River. We then continue towards the Hunter Valley, where we check in to our motel and enjoy a rest before dinner in the motel.

Overnight Maitland: Old Maitland Inn

Day 2. Sat 3 Dec: Hunter Valley Gardens

Breakfast & Dinner

Lunch & Dinner

This morning we begin our Hunter Valley tour with a visit to the **stunning Hunter Valley Gardens** providing us with a beautiful, nature based experience. Built by Bill and Imelda Roche over four years with a dedicated team of over 40 landscape gardeners, architects and engineers. There are eight kilometres of walking paths winding through 14 hectares of gardens consisting of over 6000 trees, 600,000 shrubs and over 1 million ground cover plants, plus waterfalls, statues, murals and much more. The 10 individually themed gardens showcase the artistry of gardens around the world and use both native and exotic varieties of plants. Our day begins with a 35 minute **Tractor Train Tour** through the different themed gardens as our driver gives us an overview of the gardens as well as some interesting history and plant facts along the way. After our tour we are able to take time out to stroll at leisure through the gardens before visiting the **Hunter Valley Gardens Shopping Village**, a unique collection of bespoke shops offering everything from delicious meals, lunchtime treats, coffee and wine to stunning glassware, jewellery, unique clothing and of course The Hunter Valley Christmas Shop. Ideally located just outside the entrance to Hunter Valley Gardens, the Shopping Village is surrounded by their own beautiful gardens. Our next stop is at the **Brokenwood Cellar Door** to taste some of the renowned Hunter Valley wines before returning to our home port of Maitland via **Kurri Kurri where** we tour the **40 murals showcasing the area's history**, heritage and uniqueness as our local guide unravels the story of the murals and towns history. After arriving back at our hotel there will be time to freshen up before dinner in the Old Maitland Inn Restaurant.

Overnight Maitland: Old Maitland Inn









Day 3. Sun 4 Dec: Maitland - Williamtown

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

After breakfast we head north of Maitland to the historic **Tocal Homestead** heritage site with one of Australia's finest collections of colonial farm buildings dating back to the 1830's. Our two hour guided tour of the site will entertain us with stories of the characters and activities at Tocal over the past 200 years. See the Colonial Architect designed barn, hear about a lad who went on to become Captain Thunderbolt and learn about a wealthy businessman's vision to change the lives of destitute children. Our tour of the homestead is followed by morning tea and visit to the Tocal Chapel and EA Hunt Hall. Following our tour it's across to the Williamtown's RAAF Base to visit Fighter World Museum located adjacent to the entrance of Royal Australian Air Force Base, the home of Australia's Strike Fighter Force. Fighter World is a showcase of Australian Fighter and aircraft related history, with over 15 aircraft from WWI vintage to the modern era in its collection. One of the great visitor experiences is the opportunity to sit in the cockpit of a Mirage fighter or Macchi jet trainer and imagine what it must be like to command one of these great machines. Walk around, touch and peer into the cockpits of Mirage fighters, a Sabre, the Gloster Meteor and the first Vampire jet built in Australia. There is a Russian designed MiG-21 jet fighter, Hawker Hunter, WWII Spitfire and Messerschmitt replicas and much more. After lunch in Fighter Beans Cafe our tour continues across at Raymond Terrace home of Sketchley Cottage a rare timber slab colonial farm house, built about the 1840s on the Doribank Estate east of the Williams River. From the late 1840's to 1960s it was the family home of William Sketchley (1810 - 1884) and his descendants. After a busy day we arrive back at our motel late afternoon for a short rest before gathering for dinner in the motel restaurant.

Overnight Maitland: Old Maitland Inn

Day 4. Mon 5 Dec: Morpeth - Christmas Lights Spectacular

Breakfast & Christmas Dinner

After a sleep in and leisurely breakfast we head just north of Maitland to the historic town of Morpeth, a premier boutique shopping and dining precinct on the Hunter River. A visit to Morpeth is a journey through narrow laneways, sandstone curb sides and into heritage buildings where we'll discover unique shopping, artisan treasures and delightful treats. It's fascinating history, beautiful position on the Hunter River, diverse range of boutiques, cafés, galleries and scenery that make Morpeth a popular escape. We then see a famous Australian product in the making at Mortels Sheepskin Factory. In the purpose built Australiana shearing shed style premises, our fully guided tour takes us through the factory experiencing the sights, sounds and smells of a fully operational manufacturing plant. Watch and learn about the making of Mortels Ugg boots, from the raw materials through to the finished product. Resembling a traditional shearing shed, The Sheep's Back Museum offers a unique, interactive experience and rich insight into the history of the Ugg boot and sheepskin manufacturing. Shop for Uggs and all other clothing products plus seat covers, rugs, scarves, baby gear plus lots more. Early afternoon we return to our motel to relax and freshen up in readiness for our special evening at the Christmas Lights Spectacular. Late afternoon we head back down to the Hunter Valley Gardens to enjoy a sit down **Christmas Dinner in the Garden Terrace Restaurant** before witnessing the Christmas Lights Spectacular, the largest lights display in the Southern Hemisphere with over 3 Million Lights! With over 20 spectacular displays including the giant Walk-Through Bauble, Candyland, Fairyland, Lovers Corner, Snowy The Snowman, Giant Castle and White Christmas just to name a few. There is plenty of live entertainment, Santa's workshop display, and tasty food and beverage stalls which are available throughout the event. After an amazing day and evening we return to our motel for a restful night's sleep.

Overnight Maitland: Old Maitland Inn

Day 5. Tue 6 Dec: Newcastle - Brisbane

Breakfast & Xmas Lunch

After breakfast and check out we bid our host's farewell before heading across to Newcastle, home to the stunning **Christ Church Cathedral** which dominates the skyline. Gathering pilgrims, visitors and tourists alike come to enjoy its splendid architecture, music and art. The Cathedral houses Newcastle's principal War Memorial and Memorabilia and our guide introduces us to its amazing history which began in 1812. Following we **board the "Princess"** and enjoy all the sights **Newcastle Harbour** has to offer as we cruise the working port and picturesque foreshore. See the harbours coal loading facilities, tug boats and big ships up-close while enjoying a scrumptious **Christmas themed lunch**, live entertainment, Christmas carols, bon bons, candy canes, Christmas trivia, prizes and giveaways for best dressed in a Christmas theme and more! After our delightful 3 hour cruise it's time to head to Newcastle Airport for our flight home after a wonderful few days in the Hunter Valley with Trade Travel.

Flight Details: Newcastle - Brisbane VA1109 1715/1730 (subject to change)



The Spirit of Christmas In The Hunter Valley





Tour Highlights: Lunch in Raymond Terrace; Magnificent Hunter Valley Gardens & The Gardens Shopping Village; Brokenwood Cellar Door; Kurri Kurri Murals Tour; Tocal Homestead; Fighter World Museum Williamtown RAAF Base; Sketchley Cottage; Mortels Sheepskin Factory Tour & Sheeps Back Museum; Historic Morpeth Village; Hunter Valley Gardens Christmas Dinner & Christmas Lights Spectacular; Newcastle Christchurch Cathedral; Newcastle Harbour Christmas Lunch Cruise plus much more.

Tour Price Includes:

- Flights from Brisbane Newcastle Return
- 4 Nights quality accommodation
- Breakfast, lunch & dinner as per itinerary (11 Meals)
- All entry fees, cruise & guides as per itinerary

Ex Brisbane: \$2158.00 per person Twin Share (Single Supplement \$295.00)

Tour cost based on minimum 20 pax

The tour prices valid for travel in 2022. Please note that the itinerary is subject to change without notice.

Deposit: A deposit of \$200 per person is due on booking to secure your place on this tour, along with completed & signed booking form.

Final Payment: Due no later than Friday 30 September, 2022.

For all information contact Val Henry: Phone: 0411 821 169 or Email: awad@thedsc.com.au

For information, bookings & travel insurance contact: Tracey - Trade Travel 1800 034 439

Email: tracey@tradetravel.com









TERMS & CONDITIONS & COVID-19 IMPACT DISCLOSURE

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HOW TO CONFIRM YOUR PLACE ON THE TOUR

A \$200.00 deposit will be required for this tour by nominated date, along with signed booking form. After this you will receive a confirmation letter in writing. Please refer to your confirmation letter for payment deadlines. If payment is not received by the due date, Trade Travel reserves the right to cancel your place on the tour and you may incur cancellation fees.

CHANGES/CANCELLATION OF YOUR BOOKING & INSURANCE

Any changes to your booking once the deposit has been received may incur amendment fees. Please check these details when requesting changes. The reservations we make on your behalf or groups behalf are subject to cancellation fees from all Suppliers, making it necessary to enforce strict cancellation policies. If you cancel a reservation prior to the departure of your tour the following cancellation fees will apply: We strongly recommend that you take out travel insurance to cover you against illness or accident, cancellation fees, loss of luggage, etc. in the unfortunate event that you have to cancel.

Deposit is non refundable from 26 August, 2022.

All funds from 30 September, 2022 are subject to 100% cancellation.

REFUND PROCESSING FEE

Please note there will be a \$25.00 fee applicable for all refunds to cover costs of processing the payment. This fee is applicable on all cancellations received for all Tour/Holiday bookings.

RESPONSIBILITY

Trade Travel does not accept liability for failure on the part of third party Suppliers whose responsibility is confined to their own operations.

CHANGES/CONFIRMATION LETTER TERMS & CONDITIONS

Trade Travel reserves the right to alter, change or omit the itinerary as necessary. Trade Travel reserves the right to cancel the tour should it not reach minimum numbers and clients will be notified prior to departure should this occur. These terms and conditions are provided at the time of promotion, however your Confirmation Letter will override any Terms and Conditions raised on this booking form. Please refer to your Confirmation Letter for the most up-to-date booking conditions, change fees and cancellation fees, as these will be applied as necessary.

TOUR BOOKINGS

All tours and bookings made with Trade Travel are monitored and updates are sent to our clients based on their departure date. Restrictions are changing regularly and it is important we adhere to the Government health authority advice and we are confident all our suppliers are committed to these guidelines.

PAYMENTS AND BOOKINGS - BOOK WITH CONFIDENCE

All payments made to Trade Travel are held in Trust and are protected by our Consumer Protection Insurance, this way we can give our clients the Peace of Mind that all funds are held safely. Trade Travel will endeavour not to disperse any client's money to any supplier until we believe the tour is going to proceed and it is safe to do so.

REFUNDS/SUPPLIER CREDITS - PEACE OF MIND

Trade Travel will provide 100% refund to all our clients where possible. If the tour is cancelled due to COVID-19 and there has been no cancellation or credits retained by suppliers, our passengers will receive a full refund. In the event the supplier has been paid and they are not offering a refund, we will refund in full minus the outlaid funds only. Trade Travel will not charge a cancellation fee on any booking affected by COVID-19 disruptions. We hope this gives our customers Peace of Mind when booking.

ROOM REQUESTS:

Please note Trade Travel cannot provide a 100% guarantee for room requests – we will endeavour to cater for them as best as possible but these are at the discretion of the Resort/Motel only and certain requests are not always available, such as ground floor, and not all properties offer a lift service. Assistance will be provided where needed for luggage delivered to rooms if on higher levels.

TOUR GUIDES/AIRLINES/TOUR OPERATORS AND PARTNERS

Many of our tours include the use of Airlines, Tour Companies, Hotels, Restaurants and Attractions. All suppliers are taking initiative for the future to provide a valuable service with COVID-19 as part of our normal. Our office will work closely with our partners to assist them in every way for the safety of our clients for them to travel safely. All tours and bookings made with Trade Travel are monitored and updates are sent to our clients based on their departure date. Restrictions are changing regularly and it is important we adhere to the Government health authority advice and we are confident all our suppliers are committed to these guidelines. Trade Travel will ensure that each tour is escorted by a tour host where required and will assist the group on a day to day basis.

FITNESS LEVEL ON TOUR

In order to get the most from our tours, it is recommended all passengers have a reasonable level of fitness. If Passengers are unsure it is important that they speak to a medical professional regarding all travel factors before a booking is made. Tours must operate in a timely manner and it is important passengers understand delays can cause components to be removed from the itinerary which can affect the enjoyment of the tour for other passengers. It is encouraged you carefully study the itinerary to assess your capability of participating. Please contact our office and check with our travel consultants if you have any questions regarding the itinerary and they will be happy to assist.

TRADE TRAVEL - DOMESTIC PASSENGER BOOKING FORM

PLEASE EMAIL OR POST YOUR COMPLETED FORM TO TRADE TRAVEL

EMAIL: bookings@tradetravel.com **VIC:** PO Box 1137 Mildura VIC 3502 **QLD:** PO Box 1715 Noosaville BC QLD 4566



This Passenger Booking Form is to be completed by each individual passenger and is to be submitted with your Tour Payment Form. Please print your details clearly using **BLOCK LETTERS**.

RESERVATION FORM & BOOKING CONDITIONS		Trade Travel Consultant: Tracey O'Connell Tour Departure Date: Friday 02 December, 2022. Tour Name: Hunter Valley Discovery Christmas Lights		
Date:				
Club Name: Donald Simpson Centre				
Important – Please use names as reflected on	your photo	D ID to complete the	following:	
TOUR PASSENGER DETAILS:		TOUR PASSENGER DETAILS:		
Title: First Name: Last Name:		Title: First Name: Last Name:		
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State: Post Code:		State: Post Code:		
Phone:		Phone:		
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Email Address:	Email Address:			
Date of Birth:	Date of Birth:			
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Special Requests (not guaranteed): e.g. Ground Floo	or	Special Requests (n	ot guaranteed): e.g. Ground Floo	r
Can you climb stairs?	Yes / No	Can you climb stairs	5?	Yes / No
Can you get into and out of a boat, train or bus?	Yes / No	Can you get into and	d out of a boat, train or bus?	Yes / No
Can you climb into a bath?	Yes / No	Can you climb into a	a bath?	Yes / No
EMERGENCY CONTACT (NOT TRAVELLING O	N TOUR):		TACT (NOT TRAVELLING O	N TOUR):
Name:		Name:		
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NAME BADGES:		NAME BADGES:		
Do you already have a Trade Travel Name Badge? Yes / No		Do you already have a Trade Travel Name Badge? Yes / No		
Preferred Name (For Badge):		Preferred Name (Fo	r Badge):	
Please Note: It is a requirement to wear your Trade Travel badge on tour.		Please Note: It is a requirement to wear your Trade Travel badge on tour.		
Please sign below to acknowledge that you have	read, under	stood, and accepted	the Trade Travel terms & con	ditions.
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PASSENGER & TOUR DETAILS:						
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Tour Code: DSC/021222 PAYMENT DETAILS:	Would you like your receipt emailed: ☐ Yes ☐ No					
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PASSENGER DECLARATION: By completion and return of this form, I hereby verify all the above details are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and forward my payment details for the arrangements of my tour.						
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COVID-19 VACCINE POLICY The safety and wellbeing of our passengers is paramount. If you wish to travel on a Trade Travel Tour you are required to be fully vaccinated and provide a certificate with your booking form. You must also agree that your certificate may have to be provided to any of our suppliers at their request. Trade Travel will continue to follow the advice from the Australian Government Health Department as it is updated.						
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For the well-being of our clients, we ask you to respect the above guidelines. We also advise any passenger who is unwell will not be able to proceed on tour. For more information on COVID-19 visit the website www.health.gov.au or contact the Helpline on 1800 020 080.						
Have you provided a copy of	your COVID-19 Vaccine Cert	ificate? 🛘 Yes				
I/WE agree to travel on the Tour with Trade Travel on my own accord and understand the risks in relation to COVID-19 transmission and will not hold the Company or any of its suppliers liable.						
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