



Hunter Valley

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The Hunter Valley, Australia's oldest and most visited wine region, is a stunning vacation spot. Indulge in delectable wine and cuisine, stay in stylish accommodations, and attend exciting events. With 150 top-notch wineries, vineyards, and tasting rooms, there's no shortage of wine-tasting opportunities. From being pampered at a valley day spa to playing golf at a championship course, you'll be greeted with a friendly country charm in the Hunter Valley.

Events



Gloucester Farmers Market
Get fresh with Gloucester Farmers Market on the second Saturday of each month...



Hunter Valley Steamfest
In 1983 the last coal operating steam haulage freight service was closed on ...



Lovedale Long Lunch
An annual autumn food festival which takes place in various vineyards around...



Wollombi Sculpture in the ...
Wollombi Village, vineyards and cellar doors are transformed into a spectacle...

Top 5



Hunter Valley Zoo
Located within the heart of the Wine Country, Hunter Valley Zoo has acres of...



Wine Tours
The Hunter Valley is Australia's oldest wine region and home to some of the ...



Barrington Tops National Park
Barrington Tops National Park is part of the Gondwana Rainforests of Austral...



Hunter Valley Gardens
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James Theatre
Watch a film in Australia's oldest operating purpose-built cinema. Open air ...



TOP THINGS TO DO



Whispering Brook/Destination NSW for the Hunter Valley

This is wine country, so sampling the region's award-winning drops is top of the to-do list. To experience nature visit the World Heritage-listed Barrington Tops National Park. For a bird's-eye view, enjoy an exhilarating balloon ride over the verdant valley and marvel at a glorious sunrise. Explore the gorgeous Hunter Valley Gardens and its themed gardens.

Hunter Valley Zoo



Located within the heart of the Wine Country, Hunter Valley Zoo has acres of both Australian and exotic animals. Feed the animals - hand feed

kangaroos, wallabies, farmyard animals and Lorikeets with special food purchased from the office.

Daily shows allow you to pat a wombat, cuddle up to a koala, touch a reptile and watch the monkeys and other animals being fed.

There is a wide variety of animals including; Monkeys, American Alligators, White Lions, Tasmanian devils, Kangaroos, Koalas, Dingoes, reptiles, birds, Maned Wolf, Meerkats and new animals such as the Ring-tailed Lemurs!

Hunter Valley Zoo provides free barbecue facilities and undercover seating, so bring the family for a picnic lunch in the fun relaxed

atmosphere.

Want more? Hunter Valley Zoo have animal encounters available so you can get up close with some of the animals and develop an appreciation for the wildlife. Call the Zoo for more information or visit the website and Facebook page.

Photo: Danielle Rae - Hunter Valley Zoo

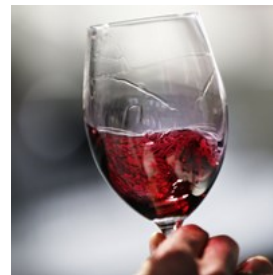
Address: 138 Lomas Lane, Nulkaba, NSW 2325

Opening hours: 9am - 4pm Thursday - Tuesday. Closed Wednesdays and Christmas Day.

Phone: +61 2 4990 7714

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/cessnock/attractions/hunter-valley-zoo

Wine Tours



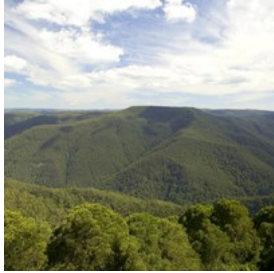
The Hunter Valley is Australia's oldest wine region and home to some of the country's most distinctive and outstanding wines. The

most recognised of these is the Hunter Valley semillon, the product of techniques and processes that have developed over 150 years of making wines. The region is also known for producing outstanding shiraz, cabernet sauvignon, verdelho and chardonnay. Discover the history of winemaking and sample award-winning drops on a tour. Organised group tours pick you up from your accommodation and provide transport to a wide range of wineries.

Photo: Food and Wine Month

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/hunter-valley-wine-tours

Barrington Tops National Park



Barrington Tops National Park is part of the Gondwana Rainforests of Australia World Heritage Area. Carved out of ancient volcanic flows,

the park rises from near sea level to over 1,500 metres and protects one of the largest temperate rainforests in mainland Australia, with a host of diverse habitats home to a wide range of animals and birds. The park is a bushwalker's haven with an excellent network of walking trails, from short and easy walks to more difficult overnight hikes with plenty of sites to set up a bush camp for the evening.

Photo: Barrington Tops National Park

Address: Barrington Tops Forest Road, Gloucester, Hunter, NSW 2422

Phone: +61 2 6538 5300

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/barrington-tops/gloucester/attractions/barrington-tops-national-park

Hunter Valley Gardens



Discover more than 24 hectares of beautiful gardens at the foothills of the Broken Back Range in the heart of the Hunter Valley vineyards. Explore

more than 8 km of pathways and ten themed gardens including the Indian Mosaic Garden, Italian Grotto, Rose Garden and Storybook Garden. The gardens also host a wide range of exciting events for adults and children throughout the year.

Photo: Hunter Valley Gardens

Address: 2090 Broke Road, Pokolbin, NSW 2320

Phone: +61 2 4998 4000

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/pokolbin/attractions/hunter-valley-gardens

James Theatre



Watch a film in Australia's oldest operating purpose-built cinema. Open air films were first shown on the site in 1912. The theatre became the social hub of Dungog not only for its film screenings, but its balls and dances.

Photo: James Theatre

Address: 6 Brown Street, Dungog, NSW 2420

Phone: +61 2 4992 2294

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/barrington-tops/dungog/attractions/dungog-james-theatre

Maitland Gaol



Maitland Gaol has a fascinating history spanning more than 150 years. After housing some of Australia's most notorious criminals, the gaol closed as a correctional institution in 1998. Visitors can now tour the facility to learn about its history, past prisoners and daring escapes. Take a guided tour with a former inmate or spend the night in a gaol cell during a Torchlight Tour and sleepover.

Photo: Maitland Gaol

Address: 6 - 18 John Street, East Maitland, NSW 2323

Phone: +61 2 4936 6482

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/maitland/attractions/maitland-gaol

THE TOWNS OF THE HUNTER VALLEY



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The Hunter Valley is world-class wine region and tourism destination with a number of charming towns and villages which each offer plenty to be discovered on their own or while enjoying the delights of a food and wine trail.

Broke



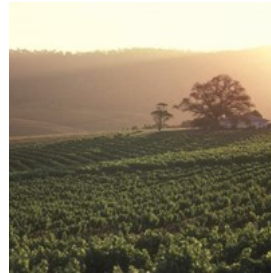
Broke was settled as early as 1824, and became an important staging point on the overland cattle route between the Hunter and Sydney. Dairying, orange orchards and market gardens also featured in the early development of the town. Today, the village is a major wine area that produces soft and distinctive wines including semillon, shiraz, chardonnay and verdelho as well as Italian varieties such as sangiovese, barbera and dolcetto.

Photo: Broke Fordwich Wine Tourism Association

Internet:

www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/broke

Cessnock

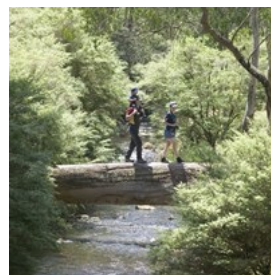


Cessnock developed as a private village on the road that is now known as The Convict Trail, the original Sydney - Hunter Valley road hand-built by 3,000 convicts. Originally a service centre for travellers, Cessnock became a major mining centre at the turn of the century, however wine and tourism have since become the major local industries.

Photo: Cessnock City Council

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/cessnock

Dungog



Rolling hills, national parks and state forests surround gorgeous Dungog. Its main street is an urban conservation area. Notable historic buildings include the primary school built in 1843 and designed by colonial architect Edmund Blacket, who also designed the University of Sydney and St Andrew's Cathedral in Sydney. The Dungog Cinema has a Spanish mission-style façade and is the oldest operating purpose-built cinema in Australia.

Photo: Hamilton Lund

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/barrington-tops/dungog

Gloucester



Gloucester sits in a picturesque river valley surrounded by hills at the junction of the Avon, Gloucester and Barrington rivers. As the closest town to Barrington Tops National Park, it makes a perfect base for adventurous activities and tours in the region, including trout fishing, canoeing, horseriding and bushwalking.

Photo: Hamilton Lund

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/barrington-tops/gloucester

Lovedale



As a major wine-producing area, Lovedale dates back to the early 1800s when local wheat and general produce farmers turned to grape growing. The name Lovedale combines the name of one of the early families of the district, the Loves, with the memory of the Yorkshire Dales in England. Visit the historic St Paul's Rothbury cemetery in Wilderness Road and see where the famous winemaking families have been laid to rest.

Photo: Emma's Cottage Vineyard

Internet:

www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/lovedale

Maitland



Maitland is a thriving business centre surrounded by charming countryside. A rich cultural heritage is reflected in its

architecture dating back to the early years of colonial Australia. Visit the Maitland Regional Art Gallery or National Trust Property Grossmann House for a taste of Maitland's cultural offerings.

Photo: Anson Smart - Destination NSW

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/maitland

Morpeth



Founded in the 1820s, the town developed as a river port in the following decade and became an important inland trading post. Morpeth's days as a river port ended around 1890, but the town's comparative isolation meant that its historic shopfronts, wharves and even the hitching posts along the main street have survived intact, hence its National Trust classification today. This is a living museum of Australia's past, complemented by modern dining options, boutique gift shops and specialty craft stores.

Photo: Destination NSW

Internet:

www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/morpeth

Paterson



This small picturesque village features a mountainous backdrop by the Paterson River. Once a busy river port, Paterson today offers a relaxing break with cosy accommodation, old country pubs and idyllic picnic spots. Visit the Tocal Homestead, Paterson Historical Court House Museum and Paterson Rail Motor Museum to discover local history.

Photo: Maitland City Council

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/paterson

Pokolbin



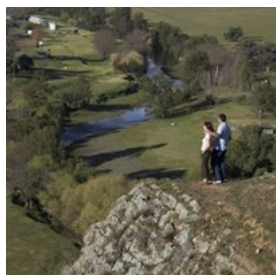
Pokolbin's fortunes have been dictated by the vineyards that surround it. Wine grapes were first planted in the area in the 1870s, but development was relatively slow and uneven until the 1970s, when Australia achieved the recognition it deserved as a major wine producer and the Lower Hunter was at the vanguard of this movement. Winding country roads lead from the town to some of the region's best known wineries including Lindeman's, Tyrrell's, Tulloch, Lake's Folly, Brokenwood and Bimbadgen.

Photo: Anson Smart - Destination NSW

Internet:

www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/pokolbin

Scone



Scone is a charming village nestled in the picturesque Upper Hunter. The town is known as the horse capital of Australia with studs dotting the shire. It's the second-biggest horse-breeding town in the world. Horse enthusiasts will enjoy the Scone and Upper Hunter Horse Festival and the Emirates Park Scone Cup Carnival.

Photo: Anson Smart - Destination NSW

Internet:

www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/upper-hunter/scone

Singleton



Singleton is a historic Hunter Valley town where you'll find a relaxing mix of country hospitality, nature-based activities, plus great accommodation, food and wine. Pick up a Heritage Walk brochure from the visitor information centre and stroll through the town's historic precinct. The majestic Lake St Clair sets the scene for a range of outdoor activities, from fishing and swimming to camping, waterskiing and sailing.

Photo: Singleton Information and Enterprise Centre

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/singleton

Wollombi



Historically, Wollombi has always been an important centre for travellers along the Great North Road, built by convicts in the early 19th century. Today, the town retains its fine architectural heritage and you'll also enjoy cafés, wineries and comfortable guesthouses. Nearby are national parks great for bushwalking and well-preserved Aboriginal rock engravings.

Photo: Anson Smart - Destination NSW

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/wollombi

DO & SEE



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In addition to exceptional food and wine, the Hunter Valley offers many delightful experiences and adventures. This is a place where nature is on a grand scale with extraordinary environmental diversity. And you'll find the fascinating history and lively cultural scene enchanting.

Maitland Regional Art Gallery



Steeped in history, the federation gothic building housing Maitland Regional Art Gallery is an awe inspiring example of early 1900's architecture.

Officially opened in 1910, the building was constructed to house the Maitland Technical College, which it continued to do until 1987. Known locally as MRAG, each year the gallery shows thousands of artworks and creates hundreds of learning activities across 25 exhibitions annually, while sharing the 4,000+ art collection.

The award winning building is as much a part of the experience as the artworks on display. Located on High Street at the eastern end of Central Maitland, the gallery offers a great diversity of spaces. Be it exhibitions, workshops, café lunches, shopping, talks, tours or events, MRAG is friendly and inviting.

All public areas of the gallery can be reached by stairs and lift, with fully accessible public amenities conveniently located on the ground floor. Entry to MRAG's carpark is via a rear service lane off James Street, and includes two dedicated disabled parking spaces.

Photo: Maitland Regional Art Gallery

Address: 230 High Street, Maitland, NSW 2320

Phone: +61 2 4934 9859

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/maitland/attractions/maitland-regional-art-gallery

Australian Museum of Clothing and Textiles



This collection includes unusual and exquisite items of clothing and handwork that reflect the fashion and ingenuity of Australians during times

of deprivation such as the Great Depression, WWI and WWII.

Photo: The Museum of Clothing

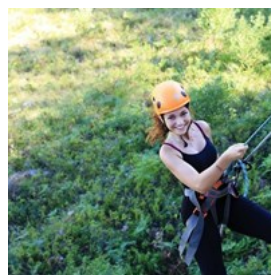
Address: Lt.Governor's Building, Maitland Gaol, John Street, East Maitland, NSW 2323

Opening hours: 10am - 2pm Thursday, Friday and Saturday or other times by appointment. Closed on public holidays

Phone: +61 2 4988 6448

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/maitland/attractions/the-australian-museum-clothing-and-textiles

Barrington Outdoor Adventure Centre



Try exciting whitewater adventures in a kayak or canoe in Barrington Tops National Park, or go mountain biking on trails through the park's

forests. Join a guided tour designed to suit your experience with all equipment provided. Or hire a kayak or canoe and paddle at your own pace.

Photo: BOAC

Address: 126 Thunderbolts Way, Gloucester, NSW 2422

Phone: +61 2 6558 2093

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/things-to-do/tours/barrington-out-door-adventures

Chapman Valley Horse Riding



Chapman Valley Horse Riding provides horses for all levels of experience, from beginners to advance riders. Experience nature up close as you travel on horse-back through the scenic valleys and mountains of the 2,600-hectare property which has been owned by the Chapman family for more than 170 years.

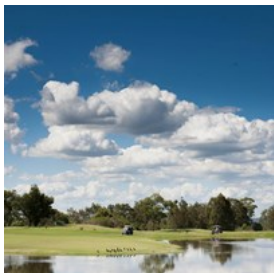
Photo: Chapman Valley Horse Riding

Address: 7054 Putty Road, Howes Valley, NSW 2330

Phone: +61 2 6579 4593

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/singleton/attractions/chapman-valley-horse-riding

Cypress Lakes Golf and Country Club



This is a picturesque 6,487 metre, par 72 18-hole championship golf course and is ranked among the top resort courses in Australia.

Photo: Cypress Lakes Golf and Country Club

Address: 15 Thompsons Rd, Pokolbin, NSW 2320

Phone: +61 2 4993 1555

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/pokolbin/attractions/cypress-lakes-golf-and-country-club-oaks-hotels-and-resorts

Dungog Historical Museum



The eclectic collection reflects the area's rural history, including its dairying, timber and manufacturing industries. A wide range items are

on display including household goods, photographic collections, dentist equipment and horse carts and buggies. Guided tours of the museum are available by appointment.

Photo: Dungog Historical Museum

Address: 105 Dowling Street, Dungog, NSW 2420

Phone: +61 2 4992 2094

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/barrington-tops/dungog/attractions/dungog-museum

Hunter Valley Candymaking Class



Learn how to create alcohol-infused candy at the Hunter Valley Resort's 90-minute Big Kids Candy cooking classes. Working

alongside one of the resort's executive chefs, you will make peanut brittle, marshmallows and rocky road chocolate.

Photo: Hunter Valley Candymaking Class

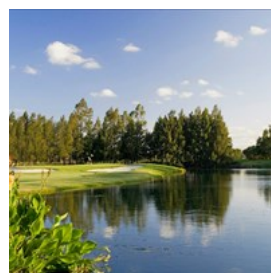
Address: Hunter Valley Resort, 913 Hermitage Road

Pokolbin, NSW 2320

Phone: +61 2 4998 7777

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/pokolbin/food-and-drink/hunter-valley-candymaking-class

Hunter Valley Golf and Country Club



With a spectacular backdrop of vineyards and rugged mountain ranges, the Hunter Valley Golf and Country Club is a beautiful 18-hole

championship course.

Located at Crowne Plaza Hunter Valley, the fully accredited course measures 5,170 metres in length and is suited to golfers of all levels.

Photo: Hamilton Lund Photographer - Hunter Valley Golf and Country Club

Address: 430 Wine Country Drive, Lovedale, NSW 2325

Phone: +61 2 4991 4777

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/lovedale/attractions/hunter-valley-golf-and-country-club

James Estate Wines



James Estate offers sweeping views of the spectacular mountain ranges and Baerami vineyard from the spacious cellar door sales

and tasting area. Enjoy tasting the range of wines as you take in the natural beauty of the region. The ridge walk and mountain bike trails are accessible from the cellar door.

Photo: James Estate Wines

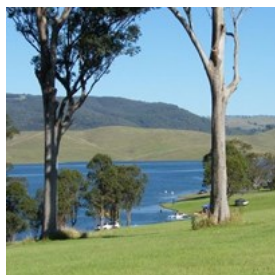
Address: 951 Bylong Valley Way, Baerami, Sandy Hollow, NSW 2333

Opening hours: 10am - 4.30pm daily. Closed Christmas Day and Good Friday.

Phone: +61 2 6547 5168

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/upper-hunter/sandy-hollow/food-and-drink/james-estate-wines

Lake St Clair



The lake is a premium outdoor leisure facility nestled among the hills at the foot of Mount Royal Range near Singleton.

Swimming, sailing, water skiing, and camping are a few of the activities enjoyed on the lake. The NSW State Fisheries regularly stocks the lake with bass, golden and silver perch and catfish, making it a great

location for fishing. Entry and camping fees apply. Bookings are essential for powered camp sites.

Photo: Lake St Clair

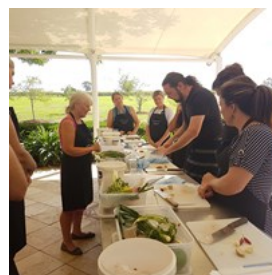
Address: Carrowbrook Road, Singleton, Hunter Valley, NSW 2330

Phone: +61 2 6577 3370

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/singleton/attractions/lake-st-clair

Email: sviec@singleton.nsw.gov.au

Majors Lane Cooking School



Prepare a feast using local produce to create Asian cuisine in a covered courtyard with gorgeous vineyard views. Thai, Balinese, Sichuan,

Indonesian and Vietnamese classes are available. Small class sizes (maximum 14) with individual and group bookings are also welcome.

Photo: Majors Lane Cooking School

Address: 64 Majors Lane, Lovedale, NSW 2325

Phone: +61 2 4930 7832

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/lovedale/food-and-drink/majors-lane-cooking-school

Marthaville Arts and Cultural Centre



The centre hosts to a variety of events, exhibits and activities as well as displaying for sale a wide range of arts and crafts made by residents of the

Cessnock area. Marthaville is the oldest timber sawn home in Cessnock and still retains many of its original piers.

Photo: Marthaville

Address: 200 Wollombi Road, Cessnock, NSW 2325

Opening hours: 10am -- 4pm Friday and Saturday.

Phone: +61 2 4990 2653

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/cessnock/hunter-valley/attractions/marthaville-arts-and-cultural-centre

Middle Falbrook Bridge



Admire the charming scenery at Middle Falbrook Bridge over Glennies Creek. The Hunter region has 15 historic bridges

constructed before 1905. This timber truss bridge was built in 1904 and gains heritage significance from its design - based on American Ernest de Burgh's truss design - and its association with the expansion of the NSW road network.

Photo: Middle Falbrook Bridge over Glennies Creek
Address: Rixs Creek-Falbrook Road, Middle Falbrook, NSW 2330
Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/singleton/attractions/middle-falbrook-bridge-over-glennies-creek

Muswellbrook Regional Arts Centre



The centre presents travelling and local exhibitions, and art prizes (including the Muswellbrook

Photographic Award and the biennial Muswellbrook Open Art Prize) along with periodic selections from the permanent collection.

Photo: Muswellbrook Regional Arts Centre
Address: Corner Bridge Street and William Street, Muswellbrook, NSW 2333
Opening hours: 10am - 5pm Tuesday to Friday; 10am - 1pm weekends.
Phone: +61 2 6549 3880
Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/upper-hunter/muswellbrook/attractions/muswellbrook-regional-arts-centre

Paterson Rail Motor Museum and Society



The museum houses railway memorabilia from both the steam and diesel eras. The site includes the old Station Master's residence that has been

restored to its 1930s exterior appearance and colour scheme. The Rail Motor Society offers visitors tours on board the historical rail motors around the local area and across the state.

Photo: Steve Preston - Paterson Rail Motor Museum
Address: Webbers Creek Road, Paterson, NSW 2421
Opening hours: 10am - 3pm on third Saturday of every month. Other times by appointment.
Phone: +61 2 4954 4904
Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/paterson/attractions/paterson-rail-motor-museum

Richmond Vale Railway Museum



This volunteer non-profit museum was formed in 1979 to preserve the railway and mining heritage of the Hunter Valley. The museum runs

trains on the first three Sundays of each month and every Sunday during school holidays, as well as offering mid week tours and special night time events.

Photo: Richmond Vale Railway Museum
Address: 262 Leggetts Drive, Richmond Vale, NSW 2323
Opening hours: 10am - 4pm on the first three Sundays of each month; and every Sunday during school holidays
Phone: +61 2 4001 0197
Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/attractions/richmond-vale-railway-museum

Singleton Historical Museum



The museum is based within the old Council Chambers (formerly lock-up cells) and has a wide variety of interesting artefacts on

the history of Singleton including an original horse-drawn ambulance cart, farm machinery and kitchenware.

Photo: Singleton Historical Society and Museum Inc
Address: Burdekin Park, Bourke Street, Singleton, NSW 2330
Opening hours: 10am - 1pm Tuesday; 12 - 4pm Saturday, Sunday and public holidays.
Phone: +61 2 6571 1895
Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/singleton/attractions/singleton-historical-society-and-museum-inc

Spa at Chateau Elan



Relax and rejuvenate at this luxurious spa offering a wide range of treatments including facials, massages, manicures, pedicures and

Healite II therapy. The Spa Hydrotherapy Lounge features plunge pools overlooking the golf course and an infrared detox sauna.

Photo: The Spa at Chateau Elan Hunter Valley
Address: Vintage Drive, Rothbury, NSW 2320
Phone: +61 2 4998 2500
Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/rothbury/attractions/the-spa-chateau-elan-hunter-valley

St Peter's Anglican Church



The Anglican Parish of St Peter at East Maitland is one of the oldest in Australia, commencing with the appointment of the Reverend George

Rusden in 1834. The church is decorated in 14th century gothic style and features stained glass and other striking furnishings.

Photo: St Peter's Anglican Church
Address: 47 William Street, East Maitland, NSW 2323
Phone: +61 2 4934 5303
Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/maitland/attractions/st-peters-anglican-church

The Singleton Sundial



The giant sundial in Singleton was built for Australia's bicentennial celebrations in 1988, marking 200 years since the arrival of Britain's

First Fleet. It stands as a visible link between the old and the new - an ancient method of time telling set in the midst of the new development in Singleton. The sundial marks a gateway to the Hunter River, picnic areas and recreational and sporting facilities.

Photo: Largest Sundial
Address: Rose Point Park, Ryan Avenue, Singleton, NSW 2330
Opening hours: Accessible at all times.
Phone: +61 2 6571 5888
Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/singleton/attractions/singleton-sundial

The Vintage Golf Club



The Vintage is a Greg Norman-designed golf course which blends in with the natural surroundings, gently winding its way around undisturbed wetlands, trickling creeks, eucalypt forests, and the vineyards of Beggars Bridge and Bimbadgen.

Photo: Vintage Golf Club

Address: Vintage Drive, Rothbury, NSW 2320

Phone: +61 2 4998 6789

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/rothbury/attractions/the-vintage-golf-club

Tocal Homestead



Tocal is a 2,200-hectare property that features one of Australia's finest collections of colonial farm buildings dating from the 1830s. Book a tour to take in the highlights of the heritage site, including the Homestead, the Blackett Barn, Thunderbolt's Cottage and a range of original outbuildings and yards.

Photo: Tocal Homestead

Address: 957 Tocal Road, Paterson, NSW 2421

Opening hours: Tocal Homestead is open every Saturday, Sunday and public holiday from March to November from 10am - 3pm.

Phone: +61 2 4939 8888

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/paterson/attractions/tocal-homestead

Werakata National Park



Werakata National Park is loved by locals and its perfect for a day trip from Sydney. There are great cycling and walking trails and in spring they're lined with purple, orange and yellow wildflowers, like acacias and banksias. Birdwatchers are never disappointed as the abundance of food in the park attracts endangered swift parrots, regent honeyeaters and many more colourful birds.

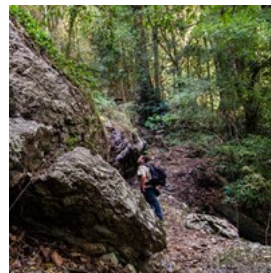
Photo: Werakata National Park

Address: Neath Road, Elrington, NSW 2325

Phone: +61 2 6574 5555

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/attractions/werakata-national-park-elrington

Woko National Park



A steep and rugged landscape with wet and dry rainforest, rocky outcroppings, and eucalypt groves. Explore one of the many family friendly hiking tracks for the chance to see the park's animals including the wedge-tailed eagle, lyrebird and the endangered brush-tailed rock wallaby. River camping and barbecues make it great location for settling down over a long weekend.

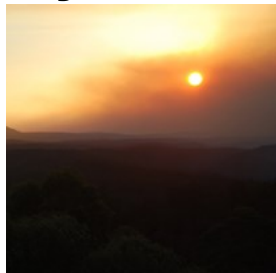
Photo: John Spencer - NSW Government

Address: Curricabark Turnoff, Gloucester, NSW 2422

Phone: +61 2 6538 5300

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/barrington-tops/gloucester/attractions/woko-national-park

Yengo National Park



A rugged landscape of steep gorges and rocky ridges, just waiting to be explored by 4WD, mountain bike or foot. Part of the Greater Blue

Mountains World Heritage Area, Yengo has spectacular views, remote wilderness and unique Aboriginal cultural heritage, with an abundance of Aboriginal sacred sites and rock engravings to discover.

Photo: Jeff Betteridge - Yengo National Park

Address: Howes Trail, Big Yengo, NSW 2330

Phone: +61 2 6574 5555

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/attractions/yengo-national-park

CAFÉS, RESTAURANTS AND BARS



Destination NSW for the Hunter Valley

The Hunter Valley has forged a reputation for high quality food using the freshest local ingredients to match its acclaimed wines. Many of the wineries double as restaurants or bars, serving delicious meals to complement their award-winning wines.

Matilda Bay Brewhouse Hunter Valley Resort



Matilda Bay Brewhouse is a boutique brewhouse. All that separates you from the brewery is a glass wall behind the contemporary bar, where

guests enjoy the relaxed atmosphere.

Many styles of craft beer are available including the unique alcoholic ginger beer, traditional pilsner, and a premium lager. All 12 brews are available on tap at the brewhouse.

The cafe is open all day with homemade pies, bites, pizza and pasta.

The brewhouse features extensive outdoor and indoor dining, is very family friendly, and there are ATM facilities on site.

Photo: Matilda Bay Brewhouse Hunter Valley Resort

Address: Hermitage Road, Corner of Mistletoe Lane, Pokolbin NSW 2320

Opening hours: 10am to 10pm

Phone: +61 2 4998 7777

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/pokolbin/food-and-drink/matilda-bay-brewhouse-and-dining

Bistro Molines



The award-winning Bistro Molines offers an ever-changing menu of French provincial dishes using fresh, seasonal local produce. The

restaurant is set among the beautiful surrounds of Tallavera Grove Vineyard, with indoor and outdoor dining overlooking a valley of terraced vineyards and grazing cattle.

Photo: Bistro Molines

Address: Tallavera Grove, 749 Mount View Road, Mount View NSW 2325

Phone: +61 2 4990 9553

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/food-and-drink/bistro-molines

Café Enzo



Set in a Tuscan-inspired village, among sandstone buildings and delightful gardens, Café Enzo in Pokolbin is open for breakfast and lunch. Sit in the enchanting courtyard in warmer months or beside the roaring fire during colder months and dine on Italian cuisine inspired by the fresh, seasonal produce from the surrounding Hunter Valley.

Photo: MJK Creative

Address: Corner of Broke and Ekerts Road, Pokolbin, NSW 2320

Phone: +61 2 4998 7233

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/pokolbin/food-and-drink/cafe-enzo

Emerson's Café & Restaurant



This multi award-winning restaurant is at the splendid Adina Vineyard. Enjoy a relaxed weekend breakfast, late week lunches or contemporary modern Australian cuisine in the evenings. You can also try the popular eight course degustation menu during dinner service. Emerson's also offers the unique opportunity to eat dinner in the kitchen on the Chef's Table to watch the chefs work.

Photo: Emerson's Café & Restaurant

Address: 492 Lovedale Road, Lovedale, NSW 2325

Phone: +61 2 4930 7029

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/rothbury/food-and-drink/esca-bimbadgen

Esca Bimbadgen Restaurant



Bimbadgen Estate is a winery and vineyard encompassing the award-winning Esca Bimbadgen Restaurant, an expansive cellar door, café, outdoor amphitheatre, modern tasting rooms and accommodation. The restaurant uses fresh produce grown on the estate or sourced locally. Menu highlights include the Esca Tasting Plates, allowing guests to enjoy three tastes from the menu, each matched with a Bimbadgen wine.

Photo: Esca Bimbadgen Restaurant

Address: 790 McDonalds Road, Pokolbin, NSW 2320

Phone: +61 2 4998 4666

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/rothbury/food-and-drink/esca-bimbadgen

Leaves and Fishes



The Leaves and Fishes menu focus on seafood, with an Asian kick. The restaurant is set on a serene lake dotted with beautiful water lilies. You'll enjoy the tranquility along with the gourmet dishes using fresh produce and seafood. Boutique accommodation is also available in stylish boathouses by the lake.

Photo: Leaves and Fishes

Address: 737 Lovedale Rd, Lovedale, NSW 2320

Phone: +61 2 4930 7400

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/rothbury/food-and-drink/leaves-and-fishes

Majors Lane Restaurant



Seasonally inspired menus feature delicious products from the restaurant's own charcuterie range, garden-fresh vegetables, seafood from the nearby coastline and free-range poultry and game from local farms. Join a fun hands-on lesson in Asian cookery with the Majors Lane Cooking School.

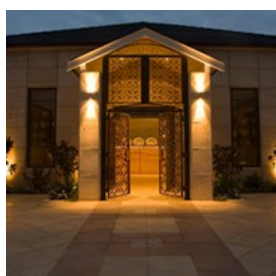
Photo: Majors Lane Cooking School

Address: 64 Majors Lane, Lovedale, NSW 2325

Phone: +61 2 4930 7832

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/hunter-valley-surrounds/restaurants/majors-lane-restaurant

Margan Wines and Restaurant



Margan Restaurant is part of the Margan Wines establishment which includes 100 hectares of vineyards and follows an estate-grown and estate-made philosophy. The kitchen garden and orchard produces up to 90% of vegetables and fruit for the restaurant's seasonally inspired menus. Menu items such as pasta, gelato, soft cheeses, butter, small goods and bread are also prepared freshly on site.

Photo: Margan Hunter Valley Wines and Restaurant

Address: 1238 Milbrodale Road, Broke Hunter Valley NSW 2330

Phone: +61 2 6579 1372

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/broke/food-and-drink/margan-wines-and-restaurant

Muse Kitchen



The award-winning Muse Kitchen offers contemporary European-inspired dishes, using seasonal, fresh produce, and served in the elegant surrounds of the vineyards of Keith Tulloch Wine Estate. Views of the nearby mountain range complement the provincial-inspired interior.

Photo: James Horan - Destination NSW

Address: Corner of Hermitage and Deasys Roads, Pokolbin, NSW 2320

Phone: +61 2 4998 7899

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/maaitland/restaurants/muse-kitchen-at-keith-tulloch-winery

Restaurant Botanica



Restaurant Botanica is nestled among the vineyards of Spicers Vineyards Estate with splendid views to the Broken Back Range. The restaurant prides itself on delivering an impressive, modern Australian menu using fresh seasonal produce, combined with one of the country's best regional wine lists.

Photo: Murray Vanderveer - Destination NSW

Address: 555 Hermitage Road, Pokolbin, NSW 2320

Phone: +61 2 6574 7229

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/pokolbin/restaurants/spicers-vineyards-estate-botanica-restaurant

RidgeView



RidgeView is a family owned and operated vineyard, handcrafting award-winning wines from grapes grown on the estate. The RidgeView Restaurant uses fresh local produce, including organic vegetables from its own garden, for a Mediterranean and Middle Eastern-inspired seasonal menu - designed to enhance the flavour of the estate's wines.

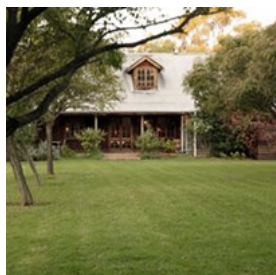
Photo: RidgeView Restaurant

Address: 273 Sweetwater Road, Pokolbin NSW 2320

Phone: +61 2 6574 7332

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/pokolbin/food-and-drink/ridgeview

Circa 1876



Near boutique hotel Peppers Convent, Circa 1876 has a strong reputation for being home to some of the finest cuisine in the Hunter Valley, with a passion for sourcing local produce and growing produce on site in an organic kitchen garden. Enjoy a drink in the restaurant's Circa 187 Bar, which has a list of over 300 wines.

Photo: Circa 1876

Address: 64 Halls Road, Pokolbin, NSW 2320

Phone: +61 2 4998 4998

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/pokolbin/food-and-drink/circa-1876-restaurant-hunter-valley

The Cellar Restaurant



The Cellar Restaurant offers Mediterranean-inspired cuisine in elegant yet relaxed surroundings. The sandstone and glass building features lush indoor gardens mixed with white-clothed tables and a huge welcoming fireplace in the centre of the dining room. The restaurant is a stroll from the beautiful Hunter Valley Gardens.

Photo: The Cellar Restaurant

Address: Hunter Valley Gardens Village, Broke Road, Pokolbin, NSW 2320

Phone: +61 2 4998 7584

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/pokolbin/food-and-drink/the-cellar-restaurant

Twine Restaurant



Twine Restaurant is on the Wynwood Estate, Pokolbin, and offers modern Australian cuisine with a twist. The inviting dining room overlooks rolling vineyards and extends on to a deck bordered by roses. Try the Twine Signature Oyster Platter featuring half a dozen oysters prepared six different ways.

Photo: Twine Restaurant

Address: 310 Oakey Creek Road, Pokolbin, NSW 2320

Phone: +61 2 4998 7449

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/pokolbin/food-and-drink/twine-restaurant-0

SHOPPING



Destination NSW for the Hunter Valley

The strong local food culture has given rise to gourmet produce houses, wine education centres and weekly growers markets at townships throughout the valley.

Hunter Wine Country Markets



Hunter Wine Country Markets is held every Saturday. It is a boutique handmade market showcasing local artisans. When they have rain or

winds you will find them trading inside De Bortoli Wines barrel room.

Stalls include fashion, food, jewellery, local produce, handmade soaps, candles, woodwork, pottery and much more. Pet friendly.

They are located at De Bortoli Wines in Pokolbin.

There are no markets in January.

Photo: Hunter Wine Country Markets

Address: 532 Wine Country Drive, Pokolbin, NSW 2320

Opening hours: Saturdays

Phone: +61 2 4998 6426

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/pokolbin/events/hunter-wine-country-markets

Clarence Town Farmers Market



Come along and buy freshly picked seasonal garden produce, tomatoes, local honey, relish, pickles, jams and eggs. Fresh herbs and

much more at the Clarence Town Farmers Market.

Photo: Clarence Town Farmers Market

Address: Clarence Town Cafe, 47 Grey Street, Clarence Town NSW 2321

Opening hours: 8:30am to 12:00pm Saturdays (Fortnightly Event)

Phone: +61 457 826 711

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/barrington-tops/dungog/events/clarence-town-fresh-market

Binnorie Dairy



Set in the middle of the gorgeous Pokolbin vineyard district, Binnorie Dairy specialises in producing soft cheeses using only locally sourced

milk. Taste their signature marinated fetta, labna and duetto.

Photo: Binnorie Dairy

Address: Tuscany Wine Estate, corner of Hermitage Road and Mistletoe Lane, Pokolbin, NSW 2320

Phone: +61 2 4998 6660

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/pokolbin/attractions/binnorie-dairy

Campbell's Store Craft Centre



Wander at your leisure through 15 speciality craft shops, a tearoom and an art gallery. Enjoy fudge and honey tastings, sample 13 flavours of

ginger beer and choose from more than 100

homemade jam varieties.

Photo: Campbells Store Craft Centre

Address: 175 Swan Street, Morpeth, NSW 2321

Opening hours: 10am - 5pm from Thursday to Sunday.

Phone: +61 2 4933 1407

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/morpeth/attractions/campbells-store-craft-centre

Dungog Local Growers Stall



Visit this local growers market on Saturday mornings to purchase proudly grown local produce such as honey, eggs, fruit, vegetables and herbs.

Photo: Dungog Local Growers Stall

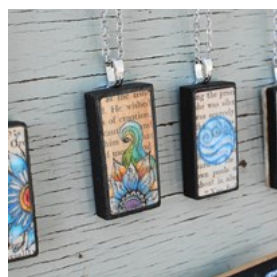
Address: 205 Dowling Street, Dungog, NSW 2420

Opening hours: Markets are held each Saturday throughout the year except in January.

Phone: +61 2 437 298 775

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/barrington-tops/dungog/events/dungog-local-growers-stall

Handmade in the Hunter Markets



These markets showcase the wide variety of Handmade in the Hunter art, craft and food and the local creative artisans and growers behind these products. The markets are held in the rose-lined gardens of Kevin Sobels Wines.

Photo: Karen Rowe - Handmade in the Hunter Markets

Address: Kevin Sobels Wines, 5 Halls Road, Pokolbin, NSW 2320

Opening hours: Held on the second and fourth Saturdays of the month. Held on Saturday and Sunday during long weekends.

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/pokolbin/events/handmade-the-hunter-markets

Hunter Belle Cheese



Taste a selection of gourmet yoghurts, cultured butter and a wide range of cheeses all handmade using the milk of local brown Swiss

cows. Viewing windows into the factory and packing rooms allow you to view the cheese-making process and see fresh fudge or gelato being made.

Photo: Hunter Belle Cheese

Address: 75 Aberdeen Street (New England Highway), Muswellbrook, NSW 2333

Phone: +61 2 6541 5066

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/upper-hunter/muswellbrook/attractions/hunter-belle-cheese

Hunter Valley Cheese Company



A boutique cheese factory and shop that also sells ploughman's platters, espresso coffee and locally made chutneys, relishes and jams. The

factory offers free cheese tutorials twice daily and has a viewing window into the make and maturation rooms.

Photo: Hunter Valley Cheese Company

Address: 447 McDonalds Road, Pokolbin, NSW 2320

Phone: +61 2 4998 7744

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/pokolbin/food-and-drink/hunter-valley-cheese-company

Hunter Valley Smelly Cheese Shop



The shop is a providore of local and imported cheese and gourmet foods. The site is also home to the Hunter Valley Gelato Company

that makes traditional Italian gelato using 200-year-old recipes. Hampers, platters (cheese and antipasto, sandwich and gourmet baguettes) and gelato cakes are also available.

Photo: Hunter Valley Smelly Cheese Shop
Address: 2144 Broke Road, Pavilion G, Tempus Two Complex, Pokolbin, NSW 2320
Phone: +61 2 4998 6713
Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/pokolbin/food-and-drink/hunter-valley-smelly-cheese-shop-pokolbin-village

Hunter Valley Wine School



Learn about the history of wine at the Hunter Resort's wine school. Classes are daily and offer an informal tutorial of wine education. Walk through the Hunter Resort's shiraz vineyard as you discover the difference between grape varieties, learn how grapevines are grown, and discover more about winemaking.

Photo: Hunter Valley Wine School
Address: Hunter Resort, Hermitage Road, Pokolbin, NSW 2320
Phone: +61 2 4998 7777
Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/pokolbin/food-and-drink/hunter-valley-wine-school

Mortels Sheepskin Factory



Since 1958, the Mortel family have been making sheepskin products. You can take a guided tour of the factory, which uses sheepskins selected from Australian-bred sheep and tanned by Australian tanneries. Browse through a wide range of quality Australian-made goods, including ugg boots and other footwear, warm headgear, car

and motorbike seat covers and bed underlays.

Photo: Mortels Sheepskin Factory
Address: 1 Weakleys Drive, Thornton, NSW 2322
Phone: +61 2 4966 0990
Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/morpeth/attractions/mortels-sheepskin-factory-0
Email: allaboutsheepskins@mortels.com.au

Pukara Estate



Visit the Pukara Estate tasting room to sample an extensive range of award-winning extra virgin olive oils. Try their selection of flavoured vinegars including fig, blackcurrant, pomegranate and vanilla and cinnamon balsamic.

Photo: Pukara Estate
Address: 1440 Denman Road, Muswellbrook, NSW 2333
Phone: +61 2 6547 1055
Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/pokolbin/attractions/pukara-estate-pokolbin-tasting-room

ACCOMMODATION



Destination NSW for the Hunter Valley

The Hunter Valley offers an enviable range of places to stay, from stylish hotels, resorts and spa retreats to country-style guesthouses and beautifully appointed bed and breakfast options. Some are nestled among the vineyards or within the wilderness of the Barrington Tops National Park, while others feature historical architecture

unique to the region.

EVENTS



Destination NSW for the Hunter Valley

Discover an engaging cultural scene packed with special events and festivals celebrating the Hunter Valley's heritage and award-winning wine and food.

Gloucester Farmers Market



Get fresh with Gloucester Farmers Market on the second Saturday of each month! Discover Gloucester's fresh food treasure and stock up on

foods that will give you energy, vitality and a twinkle in your eye.

This is just like how country markets used to be, with locally grown fresh fruit and vegetables, baked goods, cheeses, eggs, honey, olives and olive oils, wines, cut flowers, soaps and all manner of artisan-made local produce.

Markets like these are changing the way that people look at fresh food, you can't buy fresher, so get in early for the best of the best.

Photo: Thomas Davey - Gloucester Visitor Information Centre
Address: Billabong Park, Lot 116 Denison Street, Billabong Park Gloucester NSW 2422

Opening hours: The second Saturday of each month

Phone: +61 2 6538 5252

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/barrington-t

[ops/gloucester/events/gloucester-farmers-market](https://www.visitnsw.com/ops/gloucester/events/gloucester-farmers-market)

Hunter Valley Steamfest



In 1983 the last coal operating steam haulage freight service was closed on the South Maitland Railway Line, effectively ending a century old institution. In response to this closure the first Hunter Valley Steamfest was held in 1986. Enjoy steam, vintage diesel and mini train rides as well as historical displays, live entertainment and kids activities.

Photo: Steamfest

Address: Maitland Railway Station, Maitland, NSW 2329

Phone: +61 2 4931 2877

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/maitland/events/burton-automotive-hunter-valley-steamfest-0

Lovedale Long Lunch



An annual autumn food festival which takes place in various vineyards around Lovedale. Local wineries team with restaurants to offer visitors a weekend of fine wine, gourmet food and live entertainment.

Photo: Lovedale Long Lunch

Address: Various wineries in Lovedale, NSW 2325

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/events/lovedale-long-lunch

Wollombi Sculpture in the Vineyards



Wollombi Village, vineyards and cellar doors are transformed into a spectacular series of sculpture parks. Featuring large scale and

site-specific works by some of Australia's best artists, the exhibition provides a rare opportunity to showcase their talent in a splendid environment.

Photo: Sculpture in the Vineyards

Address: Various locations on the Wollombi Valley Wine Trail, Wollombi, NSW 2325

Phone: +61 4998 1576

Internet: www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/wollombi/events/wollombi-sculpture-the-vineyards

TOURIST INFORMATION



Hunter Valley Wine and Food Month

There are many ways to reach the Hunter Valley. Rent a car and enjoy the independence of exploring the region at your own pace, or relax as someone does the driving for you on a tour of the region.

www.visitnsw.com/destinations/hunter/hunter-valley/tours

Airport



Newcastle Airport is the nearest airport to the Hunter Valley. Jetstar, Rex, QantasLink and Virgin have regular direct flights to and from

Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Gold Coast, and Ballina/Byron Bay. The airport is about a 50-minute drive to most of the vineyards.

Many major car rental companies operate here or an airport transfer can be organised with Rover Coaches: www.rovercoaches.com.au

Hunter Valley Buses also operate a public bus service from the airport to Maitland, Raymond Terrace and Stockton as well as locally: cdcbus.com.au

Photo: Juan Garces

Address: 1 Williamtown Dr, Williamtown

Phone: +61 2 4928 9800

Internet: www.newcastleairport.com.au

Public transport



Daily train services depart from Sydney's Central Station for the Hunter towns of Maitland, Newcastle and Singleton.

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclair

Internet: www.transportnsw.info/

Taxis



Cessnock Radio Cabs Co-Op • Phone: +61 2 4990 1111 Muswellbrook Taxis • Phone: +61 2 6543 2700 Singleton Taxi Service (Taxico) • Phone:

+ 61 2 6572 1133

Taxi Service Maitland

• Phone: +61 2 4933 7333

Silver Service Limousines

• Phone: +61 2 6571 1600

Photo: Arrival Guides

Medical



Amcal Max Pharmacy •
Phone: +61 2 4932 5155
• Rutherford Shopping
Centre, East Mall,
Rutherford, NSW, 2320
Blooms The

Chemist

- Phone: +61 2 4990 1403
- 97 Vincent St, Cessnock, NSW, 2325

Cessnock Day Night Pharmacy

- Phone: +61 2 4990 3485
- 202 Wollombi Rd, Cessnock, NSW, 2325

Cessnock Plaza Pharmacist Advice

- Phone: +61 2 4990 6636
- Shop 5 Cessnock Plaza Cooper Street,
Cessnock, NSW, 2325

Photo: Gemma Garner

Telephone



Country code: +61 Area
code: 02

Photo: Jardson Almeida

Electricity



220-240V

Photo: Stirling Tschan

Population

682,465 (2021)

Currency

Australian Dollar (1 AUD = 100 cents)

Opening hours

Typical hours for shops are 9am–6pm Monday to Friday.
Most shops are open during the weekend but with restricted
hours.

Newspapers

Singleton Argus – www.singletonargus.com.au
The Advertiser – www.cessnockadvertiser.com.au
The Maitland Mercury – www.maitlandmercury.com.au
The Newcastle Herald – www.newcastleherald.com.au
Muswellbrook Chronicle –
www.muswellbrookchronicle.com.au

Emergency numbers

Police, Fire and Ambulance 000

Tourist information

Hunter Valley Visitor Information Centre
455 Wine Country Dr, Pokolbin
Opening hours: Mon–Sat 9am – 5pm, Sun 9am–4pm
+61 2 4993 6700
www.winecountry.com.au