

Snowtime in The Gardens

with Port Bus to the Hunter Valley

SNOW TIME

IN THE GARDEN

Tuesday 21st to Thursday 23rd July 2026



Escape to the heart of wine country with Port Bus on this delightful 3-day winter getaway to the Hunter Valley, blending festive fun, local flavours, and relaxed countryside charm. From the magical winter wonderland at Hunter Valley Gardens and indulgent cheese, chocolate and wine tastings, to heritage craft centres and an unforgettable encounter with majestic

Clydesdales, this easy-paced tour is the perfect mid-winter escape to enjoy great company, beautiful scenery, and a touch of seasonal magic.

Day 1 (MTLD) HOME TO HUNTER VALLEY

Tuesday 21 July 2026

Welcome to our 3 Day tour to the Hunter Valley to join in the magical event at the gardens. Following our pick-ups we travel into the Hunter Valley to the beautiful **Hunter Valley Gardens**. Hunter Valley Gardens transforms into an icy adventure full of fun and frosty activities. On arrival we enjoy lunch in the gardens and time at leisure to enjoying snow time! Next, we treat our tastebuds with a visit to the **Hunter Valley Chocolate Factory** followed by a tasting at the **Hunter Valley Cheese Factory**. There are lots of goodies to see and maybe purchase to indulge in later. We now head to the resort where we can check in and freshen up for dinner.



Morning Tea from the coach | Lunch at Hunter Valley Gardens |

dinner in hotel

Mercure Resort Hunter Valley | 2 nights



Day 2 (BMTLD) HUNTER VALLEY

Wednesday 22 July 2026

After a leisurely start to the day, we travel to the **Marthaville Craft Centre** and step back in time at Historic Marthaville, Cessnock's oldest sawn timber home. Set among peaceful gardens, this beautifully preserved heritage building offers a relaxed and welcoming atmosphere. Take time to browse the extensive range of locally handcrafted arts and crafts, featuring talented regional artisans, with plenty of unique pieces to admire or purchase. Morning tea is served here, allowing you to soak up the charm and history of





this special location. We then continue into the heart of the Hunter Valley to **Peterson House**, renowned for its impressive range of sparkling wines. At the elegant cellar door, you'll enjoy a guided tasting of several sparkling varieties before sitting down to a delicious lunch in the award-winning restaurant. With its beautiful sandstone walls, exposed aged timber trusses and sweeping views across the surrounding vineyards, Peterson House provides the perfect setting to relax, indulge and savour the Hunter Valley



experience. Our day concludes with a visit to **Tulloch Wines**, a much-loved family-owned winery where four generations have been crafting wines and welcoming visitors for over a century. Here, you'll enjoy a relaxed tasting experience designed to both entertain and educate, with friendly hosts sharing the stories, traditions and passion behind the wines before we return to our accommodation.

Breakfast in motel | Morning Tea at Marthaville Craft Centre | Lunch at Peterson House | Dinner in hotel

Day 3 (BL) HUNTER VALLEY TO HOME

Thursday 23 July 2026



Heading home today, we are in for a real treat as we visit a picturesque rural property to meet the magnificent **Bulahdelah Clydesdales** up close. Take time to admire the sheer size, strength and gentle nature of these beautiful horses as you learn about their important role in Australian farming history and heritage. This relaxed and informative visit offers wonderful photo opportunities and a chance to experience these iconic animals in their peaceful home environment. We then travel a short distance to the historic **Plough Inn**, where lunch has been arranged. Enjoy a hearty meal in classic country pub surroundings, the perfect way to reflect on the highlights of our Hunter Valley escape. After lunch, we begin our journey home, arriving later today after a wonderful three-day getaway filled with great company, memorable experiences and the friendly Port Bus touch.



Morning Tea from the coach | Lunch at Plough Inn

Tour Inclusions

- 2 night's hotel accommodation
- 2 cooked breakfasts
- 2 hotel dinners
- 3 included lunches – see below
- 2 Port Bus morning teas
- Morning Tea at Marthaville Craft Centre
- General Garden Day Entry-Hunter Valley Gardens
- Lunch at The Garden Terrace Restaurant, Hunter Valley Gardens
- Tastings at the Hunter Valley Chocolate Company (2320)
- Hunter Valley Cheese Tastings at the Hunter Valley Cheese Company Pty Ltd
- Morning tea at the Marthaville Arts and Cultural Centre
- Lunch at Peterson House & Restaurant Cuvee, Hunter Valley
- Wine Tastings at Tulloch Wines, Hunter Valley
- Visit and tour at Bulahdelah Clydesdales
- Lunch at the Plough Inn Hotel, Bulahdelah



Confirmed Accommodation

- Mercure Resort Hunter Valley (2 nights)

\$1,685 pp twin | \$1,979 pp single \$300 pp deposit

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Please Note

- Price is based on a minimum of 20 paying passengers. If numbers fall below 20 passengers, this *may* need to be recosted.
- Price is valid for above tour dates only and includes GST.
- Morning teas or afternoon teas are not included unless specified.
- The itinerary may be subject to change without notice. Whilst every effort is made to adhere to the itinerary as provided. Port Bus reserves the right to alter the touring and attractions as dictated by circumstances and conditions outside the company's control. Alterations may be made to ensure the smooth running of the tour. Every attempt will be made to ensure alterations do not adversely affect the operation of the tour. Port Bus will not be held responsible for weather-based cancellations, or those closures made at the venue's discretion.

Cancellation fees will be levied relative to the amount of notice given:

42 days or more—loss of deposit

29-41 days: 50% of fare plus deposit

30 days before and the Day of departure: 100% of fare.

In the case of concert or sporting tours, where admission tickets are purchased in advance, a minimum cancellation fee equivalent to the cost of admission tickets+ fees will apply.

Some accommodations require prepayment and refunds will be subject to their own conditions.

