HERMITAGE
Lodge
HUNTER WINE COUNTRY

. . . the complete Boutique Experience

HERMITAGE LODGE | IL CACCIATORE RESTAURANT | ELOUERA DAY SPA | HUNTER VALLEY | AUSTRALIA

Meetings - Incentive - Conferences

Prices are valid from 1 January, 2008. Pricing is subject to change withou notice.

★★★★½ **Boutique Deluxe Accommodation**

HERMITAGE
Lodge

Hermitage Lodge offers 4½ star award winning, boutique accommodation in the heart of Hunter Valley wine country.

Winner of H M A A (Hotel Motel Accommodation Association) Award for Excellence in the '4½ Star Boutique Accommodation' category in both 2006 and 2007, Hermitage Lodge offers personalised service rarely found today. All rooms have decks offering views over a four acre Shiraz vineyard; the perfect place to enjoy a glass of wine at the end of the day.

The property offers guests two levels of accommodation. The Vineyard Suites and Studios are large and modern with a 4½ star rating. The Studios are furnished with a king bed, some of which can be split into king singles, while the Suites have a king bed in the bedroom and double sofa bed in the living room.

The Lodge Rooms are furnished with either a queen bed or a king which can be split into king singles. The Deluxe Rooms are furnished with one queen bed only. Some of these two room types are also furnished with double sofa beds. All Deluxe Rooms have a corner spa bath while the Lodge Rooms have a shower only.

Hermitage Lodge is home to 'Il Cacciatore', a five time winner of Restaurant and Catering NSW 'Best Italian Restaurant - Hunter Region', and two time winner of 'Best Italian Restaurant - Regional NSW'. The restaurant seats 50-60 in the main section and 30-35 in a private dining room which adjoins a deck overlooking a reed lined dam; the perfect spot for pre dinner drinks and canapés.

Conferences - Meetings

Hermitage Lodge is an ideal venue for small meetings, conferences, strategy and planning sessions or corporate training for up to 30 people. Whether you are planning a workshop or strategy session, looking for a venue for your senior level conference or holding an executive retreat, Hermitage Lodge can cater to all your needs.

The Vineyard View Room is a fully equipped meeting room filled with natural light. A spacious timber deck adjoins the Vineyard View Room and provides delegates with a wonderful setting for morning and afternoon tea, an alfresco lunch or pre-dinner drinks, weather permitting. A welcoming guest lounge with plush sofas and a fireplace during winter is the perfect place to enjoy an after dinner coffee and port.

The fully self contained two storey Premier Suite, with multiple private decks overlooking the vineyards, provides a comfortable alternative meeting space for groups up to eight or as a hospitality suite.

The Conference Day Package menus have been created by the chefs from Hermitage Lodge's award-winning restaurant Il Cacciatore. Extra curricular activities such as team building, wine tasting, cooking lessons, golf, hot air ballooning and winery tours are all available either at Hermitage Lodge or just a short drive away.

Audio Visual Equipment & Resources

Complimentary Room Hire and the following Audio Visual equipment is included in the Conference Day Package:

- DVD player
- Video player
- TV monitor
- Tripod screen
- Broadband
- Whiteboard and markers
- Flipchart
- Iced water and mints

Optional extra - price on application.

- Data Projector
- Digital Camera

Accommodation Options

Conference Rate 1 – Lodge Rooms & Deluxe Rooms

Maximum number of 9 delegates single share and 14 delegates twin share

Midweek rate includes:

- $165.00 per delegate single share
- $85.00 per delegate twin share
- Continental breakfast*

Weekend rate includes:

- $240.00 per delegate single share
- $120.00 per delegate twin share
- Continental breakfast*

Conference Rate 2 – Vineyard Studio / Suites

Maximum number of 11 delegates single share or 18 delegates twin share

Midweek rate includes:

- $190.00 per delegate single share
- $100.00 per delegate twin share
- Continental breakfast*
- Wireless high speed internet access

Weekend rate includes:

- $280.00 per delegate single share
- $140.00 per delegate twin share
- Continental breakfast*
- Wireless high speed internet access

All rooms have

- Comfortable armchairs or sofas
- Dining table and chairs
- Reverse cycle air conditioners
- Stocked mini bars
- Coffee and tea making facilities
- Ironing facilities
- Hair dryers
- Satellite TV
- Telephone and internet access
- Convenient parking
- Sunny decks overlooking vineyards
- Provisions for a continental breakfast (included in the tariff)

***Breakfast** - A continental breakfast is stocked in your room and is included in your accommodation tariff.
If your group would like to come to the restaurant, the following options are available.

Breakfast

Hot Breakfast Served on platters down the middle of table
$20.00 per person

Selection of Juices
Grilled Bacon and Sausage
Scrambled Eggs
Sautéed Mushrooms and Tomato
Hash Browns
French Toast with Mascarpone Cheese and Blueberry Syrup
Toast
Coffee and Tea

Day Delegate Package

The Day Delegate Package is a per day rate, based on a minimum of 8 delegates. Room hire is included in the package cost.

Full Day $60.00 per person
Half Day $50.00 per person

On Arrival

Freshly Brewed Coffee, Assortment of Teas

Morning Tea

Fresh Baked Goods
Freshly Brewed Coffee, Assortment of Teas

Traditional Italian Lunch

Garlic and Pesto Bruschetta
Italian Green Salad
Spaghetti Bolognaise
Tiramisu
Soft Drinks and Juices
Freshly Brewed Coffee, Assortment of Teas

OR

Antipasto Lunch

Shared Platters down the middle of the table
Fresh Italian Bread with Olive Oil and Balsamic Vinegar
Antipasto Platters
Grilled and Marinated Vegetables, Sliced Italian Meats and Olives

Caprese Salad
Sliced Tomato, Basil, Bocconcini and Olive Oil

Rocket, Parmesan and Toasted Pine Nut Salad
Gelato and Biscotti
Soft Drinks and Juices
Freshly Brewed Coffee, Assortment of Teas

OR

Pizza & Salad

Italian Garden Salad
Assorted Gourmet Pizza
Gelato
Soft Drink and Juices
Freshly Brewed Coffee, Assortment of Teas

Afternoon Tea

Fresh Baked Goods
Freshly Brewed Coffee, Assortment of Teas

Wine Country Experiences

A range of activities are available to enhance your Hermitage Lodge conference experience. Choose from any of the following:

Private Wine Tastings

Private wine tastings are conducted regularly in Hermitage Lodge's guest lounge or private dining room.

Winery Tours

Choose from either half day or full day tours of local wineries. Tours may include wine appreciation or wine, cheese, olive and chocolate tasting.

Golf

Three world class golf courses are located within a 10 minute drive of Hermitage Lodge. Tee off for 9 or 18 holes at The Vintage, Cypress Lakes Golf and Country Club or Hunter Valley Golf and Country Club.

Horse and Carriage Tours

A fully restored 1920s horse and carriage will take you on a half day or full day tour through picturesque Pokolbin. Enjoy tastings at leading Hunter Valley wineries.

Hot Air Ballooning

Experience the amazing sensation of floating above the clouds in a hot air balloon. Flights available daily (weather permitting) for groups and corporate bookings.

Horse Riding

Take a relaxing ride along picturesque trails through the Hunters' beautiful valleys and bushland. Horses available for beginners and experienced riders.

Helicopter Flights

Experience the thrill of vertical flight with a scenic helicopter flight across the Valley, or indulge yourself with a Heli-Lunch Package or Picnic Escape.

Olive Oil Appreciation Classes

Learn about the difference between local and regional olive oils and olive products from a local olive expert as you tempt your taste buds with a range of superb infused olive oils.

Hermitage Lodge Experiences

Cooking Classes

Cucina IL CACCIATORE

Il Cacciatore invites your conference group to participate in a fun, hands–on gnocchi making cooking class and dinner. Your team of 8-12 colleagues will enjoy an evening of good Italian food and wine in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere. The evening is hosted by Mark and Noreen Gottaas, owners of Hermitage Lodge and Il Cacciatore.

Chef Michael Haines will lead you through a step-by step, hands on, gnocchi making class. Following the class, sit down to a five course dinner with your gnocchi making team members. The dinner features a cooking demonstration by Chef Michael Haines using the gnocchi you have just made. Gather round the demonstration table and be amazed at how easy it is to make outstanding gnocchi dishes using fresh and easily obtainable ingredients. Michael is always happy to answer your culinary questions and offer tips or advice to make you look good in the kitchen.

Doug Conway is a respected journalist with AAP….
'I attended a cooking class/dinner where the food was terrific and the wine outstanding, but I tended to neglect both because the company and the flow of the conversation was so absorbing….'

Kerry writes….
'As lovers of Italian food we not only learnt to make the best gnocchi, but had a wonderful dinner and made some new friends as well. Thanks for the terrific night!'

Details:
$100 per person
Maximum 12 per class
Gnocchi making class with extra gnocchi to take home including recipes
Dinner with matching wines

Other Ideas

- In Suite Massages
- Wine Options - prior to dinner - min. 30 guests
- The Wine Challenge - min. 30 guests
- Boccé and Badminton

Incentives

An incentive program enables an organisation to achieve significant goals by rewarding staff with compensation directly linked to performance, motivating staff to achieve goals and improve performance.

Whether the goal is to drive sales targets, acknowledge a milestone achievement or retain your 'high achiever' sales people, a stay at Hermitage Lodge is the perfect way to reward your staff.

Ways to say *"Thank You"*

- **Build on any package by adding any Wine Country Experience.**

The Indulgence Package

The package includes:

- Two nights accommodation
- Dinner for two in the award-winning Il Cacciatore Restaurant one evening (excluding beverages)
- A delicious cooked breakfast for two each morning served in the privacy and comfort of your room
- One hour 'in-suite' massage each
- A bottle of 'Estate Grown' Shiraz upon arrival
- A Gourmet picnic hamper for two

	Mid Week A$	Weekend A$
Lodge Room	710	870
Deluxe Room *with spa bath*	751	910
Vineyard Studio	775	970
Vineyard Suite	870	1081
Premier Suite	1151	1361

The Rewards Package

The package includes:

- Two nights accommodation (double occupancy)
- Dinner for two in the award-winning Il Cacciatore Restaurant one evening (excluding beverages)
- A delicious cooked breakfast for two each morning served in the privacy and comfort of your room
- A bottle of 'Estate Grown' Shiraz upon arrival

	Mid Week A$	Weekend A$
Lodge Room	500	670
Deluxe Room *with spa bath*	550	710
Vineyard Studio	570	770
Vineyard Suite	670	876
Premier Suite	950	1156

The Appreciation Package

The package includes:

- Two nights accommodation
- In Room continental breakfast
- Dinner for two in the award-winning Il Cacciatore Restaurant one evening (excluding beverages)
- A bottle of 'Estate Grown' Shiraz upon arrival

	Mid Week A$	Weekend A$
Lodge Room	450	610
Deluxe Room *with spa bath*	490	650
Vineyard Studio	510	720
Vineyard Suite	610	820
Premier Suite	890	1100

Wheelchair accessibility available in one Lodge Room and one Vineyard Suite.
All rooms are non smoking.
Please note that our restaurant, Il Cacciatore, is open for dinner seven days a week from 6.00 p.m. and lunch on Saturday and Sunday 12.00 to 3.00 p.m.
Prices quoted are inclusive of 10% G.S.T. Rates quoted as of 1st July, 2007.

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