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TOCAL ROAD
MAITLAND VALE ROAD

BOLWARRA HEIGHTS
BOLWARRA

MAITLAND VALE

ROSEBROOK

HILLSBOROUGH

LAMBS VALLEY
MT HUDSON
LAMBS VALLEY ROAD

LUSKINTYRE
LUSKINTYRE ROAD

PATERSON ROAD
MADDIES OF BOLWARRA
CAMBRIDGE COTTAGE

BOLWARRA HEIGHTS
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MELVILLE FORD ROAD
MELVILLE FORD BRIDGE

GOSFORTH

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LUSKINTYRE
LUSKINTYRE ROAD

BELMORE ROAD
LORN
BELMORE BRIDGE

OAKHAMPTON ROAD
WALKA WATER WORKS

MELVILLE FORD ROAD
MELVILLE FORD BRIDGE

GOSFORTH

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LUSKINTYRE
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LOCKSLEIGH B&B
CAMELOT B&B
MAITLAND CITY CENTRE, HERITAGE MALL & ANTIQUES

MELVILLE FORD ROAD
MELVILLE FORD BRIDGE

ABERGLASSLYN ROAD
MONTE RIO COUNTRY COMFORT

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NEW ENGLAND HIGHWAY
TO NEWCASTLE

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KEY

- vineyard
- wine tasting
- antiques
- horse riding
- accommodation
- fuel
- cafe

TOTAL DRIVE DISTANCE:
54 km

WINDERS LANE
PINDARI HOUSE

ST JOSEPH'S LOCHINVAR
HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

LOCHINVAR
ST HELENA

WINDERMERE ROAD

LUSKINTYRE BRIDGE

LOCHINVAR HOUSE

ALLANDALE ROAD

TRANQUIL VALE VINEYARD & ACCOMMODATION

LUSKINTYRE PRIVATE AIRFIELD

THE LOFT B&B

NO. 1055 631935397
4KM LOOP ROAD
PYWELLS ROAD

TO SINGLETON >

Introduction

During the drive on the Hunter River Trail you'll discover a district of beautiful contrasts. One moment you can be driving through lush green pastures or past a rose farm with a stunning array of colours and aromas, and then within minutes, be in one of Australia's most historically significant townships.

All roads lead to fresh produce and inevitably you will pass some road side stall selling the freshest in locally grown produce, including sweet corn, pumpkins and the juiciest of watermelons, all at bargain prices.

Explore the rolling green hills, rich agricultural lands and pastures, stunning wilderness areas, bushland reserves and the majestic Hunter River to discover the fruits of the land, which Hunter River Country is so famous for. Once known as the "food basket" of New South Wales, a patchwork of market gardens, dairy farms and beef cattle properties provide the region with a rich source of ingredients to create stunning taste sensations available through one of the many gourmet delis, cafés and fine restaurants scattered through the area.

Hunter River Country amazes with its splendour and diversity of architecture, from grand public buildings and superb country mansions, to the warm sandstone, paved laneways and hidden courtyards of Lorn village. Former convents, historic inns and grand mansions offer exquisite accommodation and fine dining, prices ranging from the luxurious to budget style.

There is so much to see and do on the Hunter River Trail, one day may not be enough.



Hot Spots to Stop

Embark on your journey along the Hunter River Country Tourist Trail (No 1) from the Hunter River Country Visitor Information Centre. Collect all your tourist information including local Visitor Guides, Heritage Walks and Antique Trails.

Maitland Court House

This majestic 1895 Walter Liberty Vernon designed building stands on the banks of the Hunter River. The courthouse is a fine example of superior craftsmanship, quality local building products and dedication. A wonderful piece of history to enjoy at the commencement of your Hunter River Trail discovery.

Hunter River

European settlers received the first land grants in the Hunter Region in 1821 and soon afterwards timbergetters became active around the area surrounding Belmore Bridge. During this period the Hunter River became a popular spot in summer for recreational activities. Stroll along the banks of the Hunter River in the city centre of Maitland where a splendid boardwalk with stunning views awaits you.

Walka Water Works

55 Scobies Lane, Oakhampton
Ph: (02) 4932 0522

A superb example of Victorian Italianate architecture and one of the largest, most intact 19th century industrial complexes in the Hunter. Walka is a popular picnic and recreational area. Sprawling green lawns, peaceful walking trails and sweeping water views make this a beautiful place to relax!

Lorn

Originally set up as a "Garden Suburb", a concept introduced by English and American architects in 1904. Lorn is an historic, thriving suburb of Maitland, featuring some of the area's finest Federation and late Victorian houses.

Bolwarra

Once famous for the thick cedar forest which grew along the Hunter River, Bolwarra is now home to some of the region's richest pastoral land and magnificent homes.

Cambridge Cottage

21 Paterson Road, Bolwarra, Ph: (02) 4930 1824
A delightful cottage built in 1890 and fully restored to its former glory in 1995. In keeping with the house's historic feel, its extensive merchandise includes antiques, local art, pottery, handmade gifts, dolls, bird houses and many more interesting delights.

Maddies of Bolwarra

35 Paterson Road, Bolwarra
Ph: (02) 4930 1801

A delightful home set amongst extensive cottage and water gardens. The original home dates back to the late 1890's and is still surrounded by farmland. This property boasts a restaurant, cafe and function centre, where food is their passion.

Hunter River Retreat and Rosebrook Estate Wines

1090 Maitland Vale Road, Rosebrook
Ph: (02) 4930 1114

Leave the city behind and take in the scenic countryside on a champagne breakfast horse ride or an exhilarating adventure on the Argo, an 8WD all terrain vehicle. Take a romantic stroll through the private vineyard and along the riverbank. Then indulge in a taste of one of the region's most unique wines.

Mount Hudson Strawberries

1593 Maitland Vale Road, Lambs Valley
Ph: (02) 4930 6224

Amongst Lambs Valley's rolling green hills there is a strawberry lover's paradise. Freshly picked, cooled and packed strawberries and jams are also sold direct to the public (fresh strawberries available seasonally).

Tranquil Vale

325 Pywells Road, Luskintyre
Ph: (02) 4930 6100

Relax and revitalise at Tranquil Vale, an immaculate boutique vineyard. Award winning wines are produced with Semillon, Chardonnay and Shiraz the specialties. Tranquil Vale is a not to be missed destination.

Luskintyre Private Airfield

Luskintyre Road, Luskintyre

This privately owned airfield has operated for 25 years. Here, antique Tiger Moth aircraft are restored to their former glory, enabling them to remain in the skies for all generations to enjoy. Look out for a Tiger Moth as you drive past.

Luskintyre Bridge

Feel on top of the world as you cross the historic Luskintyre Bridge. Built in 1903, this timber bridge has two 60 metre steel truss spans, 13 timber approach spans, and was one of the largest built in its time.

Lochinvar

Leslie Duguid arrived in Australia in 1822, leased 2,000 acres at Branxton, and called this delightful property "Lochinvar". Mr Duguid was declared bankrupt in 1840 and the estate was divided into two lots and sold to the



to the Scottish Australian Investment Company. A larger house was built on the original site, the house remains to this day. Wine growing commenced in the area in 1843. Lochinvar is a fascinating village to visit and an ideal gateway to Maitland and the vineyards.

Lochinvar House

1204 New England Highway, Lochinvar
Ph: (02) 4930 7873

Relive the splendour enjoyed by Australia's colonial gentry. Lochinvar House features 15ft ornate ceilings, grand entrances and dining room, luxuriously appointed rooms, and an elaborate bathroom! Experience the endless space while relaxing on the verandah with your favourite glass of Hunter wine.

St Helena Estate

15 St Helena Close, Lochinvar
Ph: (02) 4930 7207

St Helena was constructed in 1869 by internationally renowned wine maker and blender, Mr Philibert Terrier. Wine growers from across the country sought Terrier's expertise in wine blending. The Enderle family purchased the house in 1956 and it is now used as a B&B, restaurant and impressionist Gallery.

Royal Newcastle Aero Club

Russell Field, 640 New England Highway, Rutherford Ph: (02) 4932 8888

The Royal Newcastle Aero Club has a long and proud history beginning in 1928. Over the years the Club has

operated a range of aircraft and now offers charter flights for every occasion!

Action Aerobatics

Rutherford Aerodrome, 640 New England Highway, Rutherford Ph: 0408 474 307

Couple sensational views from high altitudes with some aerobatics and you have a brilliant formula for fun. Try something different and enjoy the ride of your life in the open cockpit of a beautiful biplane with flights packaged to suit your adrenalin needs.



DRIVE TIME

Total Distance 54 km

Total Time Approximately 1 hour without stops

Hunter River Country Visitor Information Centre

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Accommodation Directory

Former convents, inns and grand mansions offer exquisite accommodation in the magnificent rural settings discovered along this Tourist Trail. Cosy B&B's, friendly motels and stunning self-contained cottages cater for your every desire!

Self Contained Cottages

Hunter River Retreat and Rosebrook Estate Wines

1090 Maitland Vale Road, Rosebrook

t. (02) 4930 1114

Tranquil Vale, 325 Pywells Road, Luskintyre

t. (02) 4930 6100

B&B's

Camelot B&B, 2 The Esplanade, Lorn

t. (02) 4934 5692

Locksland B&B, 18 Queen Street, Lorn

t. (02) 4933 1452

Maddies of Bolwarra, 35 Paterson Road, Bolwarra

t. (02) 4930 1801

Bolwarra Heights B&B, 9 Willowvale Drive, Bolwarra Heights

t. (02) 4930 0062

The Loft at Luskintyre, 233 Luskintyre Road, Luskintyre

t. (02) 4930 6270

Lochinvar House, 1204 New England Highway, Lochinvar

t. (02) 4930 7873

St Helena Estate, 15 St Helena Close, Lochinvar

t. (02) 4930 7207

Pindari House, 78 Winders Lane, near Lochinvar

t. (02) 4930 7480

Peacock Grove B&B, 84 Valley Street, Gosforth

t. (02) 4932 8596

Motels

Country Comfort Monte Pio, New England Highway, Rutherford

t. (02) 4932 5288

Sundowner Maitland, 297 New England Highway, Rutherford

t. (02) 4932 5255

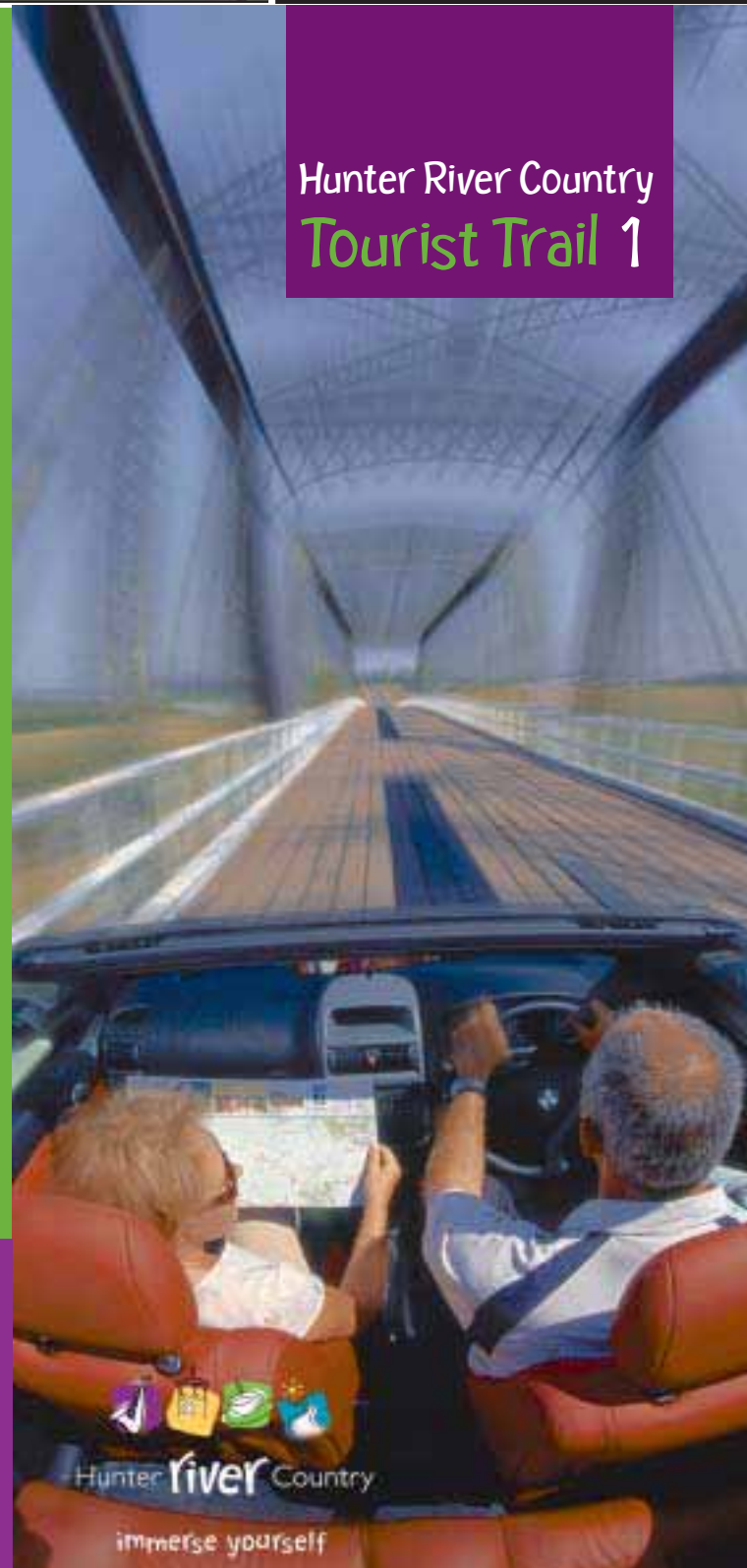
Maitland City Motel, 258 New England Highway, Rutherford

t. (02) 4932 8322

Hunter River Country Reservations Service 1300 65 2320

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