



25-29 SEPTEMBER 2019



# JOIN US AT THIS UNIQUE & PRESTIGIOUS EVENT WHERE OVER A DOZEN POKOLBIN VINEYARDS IN THE AROUND HERMITAGE AREA COME TOGETHER TO RELEASE A RANGE OF THEIR PREMIUM WINES.

# THEINSPIRATION

The inspiration for the 1st Release Wine Week emanates from the success of France' Beauiolais Nouveau Release, a festivity to mark the release of the first wine that can be sold the same year in which it was harvested.

IT IS AN EXCITING

TIME AND WEINVITE

YOUTO JOIN US IN

THE ISTRELEASE OF

THESE GREATWÎNES.

In the Hunter Valley, September is the time when the current vintage THE CELEBRATION OF Semillon and Rosé wines are ready for release as well as Reds and other Whites from previous vintages. Unlike Beaujolais Nouveau. which promotes high volumes of drink now, single varietal

> (Gamay) wines, Around Hermitage's 1st Release

range of different varietals, great to drink now but an ideal addition to your

Week celebrates the release of small volume. single vineyard, quality wines produced from a

cellar.

During the 1st Release Wine Week you will be taken on an exploration of the wines produced in the Around Hermitage area by passionate wine producers.

See how the characteristics of the vineyard (and the owners!) flow through into the style of wines produced.

### BETHEFIRST TO TASTE OUR 1STRELEASE WINES

The Around Hermitage Wine and Food Trail is characterised by boutique cellar doors with the highest concentration of award-winning wines and James Halliday 5-star rated wineries in the Hunter Valley. The Trail also has Two Chef Hatted Restaurants and award-winning accommodation.



www.firstreleasewines.com.au

# THE EVENT

The Around Hermitage Wine and Food Trail is set in the north western side of Pokolbin Hunter Valley. It has some of most highly rated wines and restaurants in the Valley, with the scenic backdrop of the Brokenback Mountains. This unique event showcases the release of some of the area's premium wines.

The 1st Release Wine week will involve around 12 Wineries in the Around Hermitage Hunter Valley region who will release some of their premium wines during the same week.

### WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME THAT YOU TRIED SOMETHING FOR THE 1ST TIME?

All of the wines will have been made from grapes grown in the area and some, such as the Semillons, will have been produced from the current 2019 vintage.

Be the first to taste an exclusive range of Hunter Valley Premium Wines from some of the greatest vintages of the century.

### MAIN FEATURES:

1ST REJEASE WHITES, SPARKLINGS, ROSÉS AND REDS

AGED SINGLE VINEYARD REDS

PREMIUM 1ST RELEASE SIGNATURE DINNER AT THE MILL RESTAURANT

IMMERSIVE AND FUN EVENTS THROUGHOUT THE WEEK

MEET THE WINEMAKERS & VINEYARD OWNERS - HEAR THEIR STORY!

### 1ST RELEASE SIGNATURE DINNER

### THE MILLRESTAURANT, ESTATE TUSCANY SATURDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER

A 5-course Degustation matched with the 1st Release wines, hosted by the vineyard owners and winemakers.

TASTE

#### WELCOME WITH HUNTER VALLEY SPARKLING WINES

- Mistletoe Winery 2019 Petillant 'Bubbly' Rosé
- Degen Wines 2018 Sparkling Semillon/Chardonnay

#### DNE

Tian of blue swimmer crab, avocado, cucumber, eschalot vinaigrette

- Glandore Estate 2019 Regional Series Figno
- Hunters Dream 2017 Sauvignon Blanc

#### TWO

Tuna tartare, tomato, squid ink

- Pokolbin Estate 2019 Riesling
- Black Creek Farm Thélème 2019 Semillon

Tickets \$145pp **Bookings** essential: www.firstreleasewines.com.au

#### THREE

Quail, zucchini, basil, pine nuts, Jerusalem artichoke, Port reduction

- Peter Drayton 2018 Anomaly Barbera
- Macquariedale Wines Organic 2018 Matthew Merlot

#### FOUR

Lamb belly, Estate made labna, heirloom carrot, olive jus

- Thomas Wines 2013 Sweetwater Shiraz
- Tintilla Estate 2017 Reserve Shiraz

#### FIVE

Goats cheese, toasted brioche, truffled honey

- Misty Glen Wines 2018 Chardonnay
- Wombat Crossing Vineyard 2014 Malloch's Block Chardonnay

The Mill's Executive Chef has put together a spectacular modern menu for the 1 st Release Signature Dinner sourcing the finest local produce including herbs, spices and edible flowers to create delicate mouth-watering flavours in every dish.





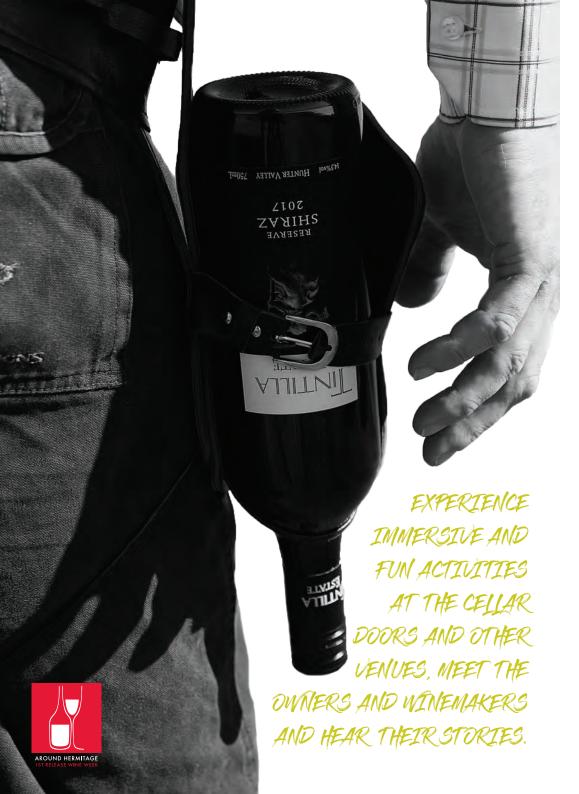
# TASTE 1STRELEASE WINES

retains a very fine structure, balance and finish.

	SPARKLINGS	WINE NOTES	LOVE THES WINE!	WALTES	WINE NOTES	LOVETHES WINE
petillant rose 2019	AND THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPER	Mistletoe Winery 2019 Petillant 'Bubbly' Rosé  Sweet strawberry characters on the front of the palate are balanced by a long dry finish. A great aperitif style.			Misty Glen Wines 2018 Chardonnay  Six months in French oak has enhanced the fruit. A light straw green colour with notes of stone fruits, melon and citrus, a hint of Chardonnay butteriness.	
DEGEN	WATTES	Degen Wines 2018 Sparkling The awesome blended flavo Hunter Valley grape varieties classic for any celebration.  WINE NOTES	ours of these two iconic	TO THE PARTY OF TH	Wombat Crossing Vineyard 'I 2014 Chardonnay  This wine displays intense fru and green apple with a crisp use of French oak adds comp great texture.	it flavours of white peach , fresh line of acidity. The
				REDS	WÎNE NOTES	LOVE THIS WINE!
1	GLANDORE COMPANIES OF THE PROPERTY VANCED TO V	Glandore Estate 2019 Regional Series Fiano Pale in colour with a delicate green hue the wine presents a nose withrobust vinous aroma and subtle notes of spicy nutmeg. Further enhanced by a perfume, of subtle pear skin and yellow peach stone fruits.		BERTON TO THE STATE OF THE STAT	Peter Drayton Wines 2018 A Intense flavours and aromas blackberry, cherry and plum. low tannins and high acidity	of juicy strawberry, A full bodied wine with
A CONTRACTOR OF THE PARTY OF TH		Hunter's Dream Estate 2017 : This 2017 vintage exhibits the Sauvignon Blanc. Very light k and lime overtones.	rich lifted characters of	ORGANIC WINESE OF THE PARTY OF	Macquariedale Organic Win After 10 months maturation in wine exhibits a lifted cherry of with a well integrated smoot	n small oak barrels the and blackcurrant flavour
2010 Stiessling	POKOLBIN	Pokolbin Estate 2019 Riesling The bouquet captures lemon aromatic honeysuckle scent. and green apple, fresh acidi	and lime blossom with	THOMAS	Thomas Wines 2013 Sweetw Distinctive floral notes of viol a pretty, perfumed red and be lengthy, supple tannin profile	ets and potpourri, within blue fruited frame, and a
Althu Seamann	The state of the s	Black Creek Farm Thélème W A young off-dry style Semillo lime colour and fresh citrus n palate with a subtle hint of s	n that displays pale ose. Citrus/apple on the	INTILIA SHIRKS	Tintilla Estate 2017 Reserve S  Explosive front palate with swaperry and dark cherries on not very full bodied, powerful with sinish	veet fruit up front, black- nid-palate, round and

TASTE 1STRELEASE WINES

finish.



## PLAY

Explore the Around Hermitage Wine and Food Trail, perhaps hire a bike and travel along our newly constructed cycleway. Enjoy leisurely wine tastings and a lunch at one of our restaurants or cafes.

DATLY WINE AND FOOD ACTIVITIES	BOOK THIS
Selected Cellar Doors will be showcasing their 1st Release Wines Thomas Wines, Peter Drayton Wines, Wombat Crossing Vineyard, Tinti Estate, Thélème Wines at Black Creek Farm, Glandore Estate, Pokolbin Macquariedale Organic Wines, Hunter's Dream Estate, Misty Glen Winesen Wines.	illa Estate,
Clandore Estate Wines   02 4998 7140   Bookings Essential Hand-crafted chocolates by Adora make for the ultimate indulgence w paired with Glandore Estate's hand-crafted wines in a guided experience.	hen hen
Two Fat Blokes Gourmet Tours   0414 316 859   Bookings Esset Join an exclusive tour of the 1st Release wineries by small group mini be booking code 1STRELEASE valid for tours 25-29 September. Online booking twofatblokes.com.au/tours	us. Use
DATLY 1STRELEASE WINE TOUR BY ELECTRIC BIKE  Sutton Estate   0448 600 288   Bookings Essential  Visit the many wineries in motorised style and enjoy the wind in your had experience a tour at your own pace.and enjoy with a meal at one of the	
DATLY ENTOYING THE GOOD LIFE  Tintilla Estate and Olive Grove   02 6574 7093  We offer a range of light alfresco platters to be enjoyed with our wines forward to our guests joining us and living the good life!	s. We look
DATLY ISTRELEASE PICNIC IN THE VINEYARD  Misty Glen Wines   02 4998 7781   Bookings Essential   11 am-2  Enjoy a gourmet picnic in the vineyard with a selection of Misty Glen's Release Wines. Pre-book your picnic hamper.	•

PLAY

### DAILY WINE AND FOOD ACTIVITIES

BOOK THIS

DAILY WINETHEATRE

Hunter Valley Resort | 02 4998 7777 | Bookings Essential

A visual experience in Wine Education. We take you on a learning experience with a bracket of 4 wines. Here we teach you how to taste front palate sweetness, acidity, and back palate tannins, and most importantly exercising your nose to appreciate the bouquet of wine.

DATILY HUNTER VALLEY WINE SCHOOL

Hunter Valley Resort | 02 4998 7777 | Bookings Essential

A 2-hour tutorial - The structured wine tutorial covers: Where and how is wine made? What is its history? What are the grape varieties? How are they different? Blending - Why and what does one look for with the bouquet, taste and colour?

DATILY HORSE RIDING IN THE VINES

Hunter Valley Horses | 0431 337 367 | Bookings Essential

Giddy up! Enjoy the spectacular Hunter Valley from a truly unique perspective, admiring views of the breathtaking Broken Back Range, surrounding vineyards and farmland.

DATIY WINE ESCAPE ROOM

Sutton Estate | 0442 908 8020 | Bookings Essential

At the Wine Escape Room, we host real life escape games which are fun and engaging live action activities which take place in our specially designed room. Work together as a team to solve a series of puzzles that will test your logic, lateral thinking and ingenuity. The Wine Escape Room includes a wine tasting activity and wine smelling activity of some of the best wine in the Hunter Valley.

PLAY

BOOK THIS

ONE-OFF WINE AND FOOD ACTIVITIES

SATURDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER

PICNIC ON THE LAWN

Pokolbin Estate | 02 4998 7524

1st Release Sangiovese and Riesling, Wood Fired Pizza, Live Music, Gourmet Food Tasting.

SATURDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER

TINTILLA ESTATE ANNUAL TUSCAN LONG LUNCH WITH 1ST RELEASE WINES

**Tintilla Estate** | 02 6574 7093 | **Bookings Essential** | 12.30-4pm Join the Tintilla Family for a truly enjoyable lunch in the Tuscan style on the deck at Tintilla overlooking the vineyard. Celebrate the start of spring and the 1st Release of wines with us at Tintilla Estate.

SATURDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER

SPRING WOMBAT CROSSING VINEYARD MEMBERS & FRIENDS LONG LUNCH ATRESTAURANT BOTANICA

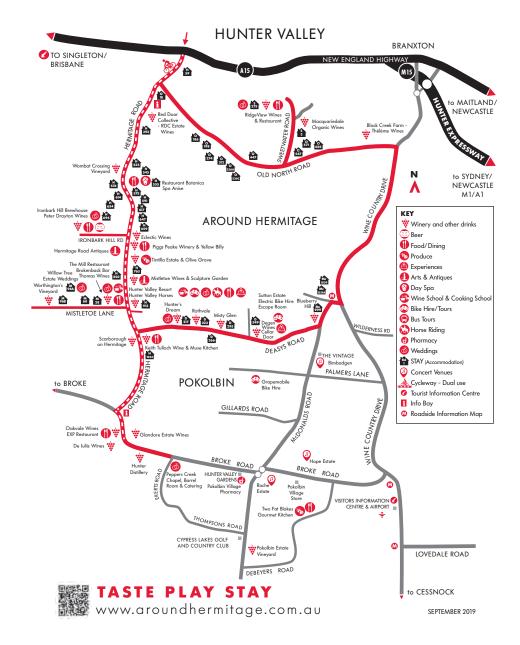
Spicers Restaurant Botanica | 02 6574 7357 Bookings Essential | 12pm Join the Wombat crew for a 5 course degustation lunch matched to first release and aged Wombat Crossing Vineyard wines. We hold this lunch at Restaurant Botanica, just across Hermitage Rd from Wombat.

More information and bookings: www.firstreleasewines.com.au



### STAY WHERE WE ARE AND WHERE TO STAY

#### www.aroundhermitage.com.au/stay



# STAY ACCOMMODATION OFFERS

#### www.aroundhermitage.com.au/offers

MAP REF	. NAME	PHONE	OFFER
O336A	Amani	4998 6961	10% DISCOUNT ON STAY + 6 BTLS OF LOCAL WINE
H659	Belford Cottages	0427 462 039	
O186	Beltana Villas	0448 867 114	
M60	Berenbell Vineyard Retreat	4998 7468	
H393	Billabong Moon	0477 010 010	
Mc999	Blueberry Hill	4998 7295	
0447	Bracken Ridge Villas	0401 288 840	
O547	Broken View Estate	0400 112 341	
H1023	Casuarina Estate	0477 010 010	
H59	Corunna Station	0477 010 010	
D349	Degen Estate	0477 010 010	
O274	Déjà Vu Estate	0403 058 564	A COMPLIMENTARY HOME-COOKED MEAL
D266	Duck Hollow		
H575	Enzo Cottage	0477 010 010	
M28	Estate Tuscany	4998 7288	1ST RELEASE ACCOMM. PACKAGE + FANTASTIC INCI
H535	Ghost Riders Vineyard Lodge	0409 664 983	
H617	Greystone Estate	0477 010 010	
H545	Hermitage Hideaway	0424 184 083	
H913	Hunter Valley Resort	4998 7777	COME PLAY PACKAGE FROM \$169 PER NIGHT
Mc1039	Hunter Valley Stays	0477 010 010	
H694	нь Ironbark Villas @ Peter Drayton Wines 0477 010 010		STAY 3 NIGHTS, PAY FOR 2
O336	Kookaburra Hideaway	0417 680 663	
H375	La Vigna Estate	0414 583 294	
H614	McCaffrey's Estate	0487 809 888	
D293	Misty Glen Cottage	4998 7781	STAY 3 NIGHTS, PAY FOR 2 + 1st RELEASE WINE
S3	Nirvana Vista Resort	0409 461 711	
O198	North Lodge Cottages	0477 010 010	
H647	Nu Leaf Retreat	6574 7170	
	Olive Grove Cottages	6574 7080	
\$273	RidgeView Cottages	0419 475 221	
D223	Rothvale Vineyard Cottages	4998 7290	
D217	Silverpoint Accommodation	0405 842 818	
O571	Silver Springs Homestead & Cottage		
	Spicers Vineyard Estate	6574 7229	
	Spotted Gums On Hermitage		STAY 3 NIGHTS, PAY FOR 2
	The Grange On Hermitage		10% DISCOUNT ON DIRECT BOOKINGS
	The Olive Retreat	0439 908 019	
	Thistle Hill Guest House	6574 7217	
	Valley View Cottage	0418 262 990	
	Villa Siena	0477 010 010	
	Vico Monti	0477 010 010	
	Willow Tree Estate	0420 742 000	
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### TASTE AND PLAY CHALLENGE!

SHARE YOUR FAVOURITE 1ST RELEASE TASTE AND PLAY EXPERIENCE PHOTOS, TAG AROUND HERMITAGE AND USE THE BELOW HASHTAGS TO GO IN THE DRAW.

WINNER TO BE ANNOUNCED. WEDNESDAY 2 OCTOBER VIA OUR SOCIAIS! #aroundhermitage #1streleasewineweek



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WIN 2 COMPLIMENTARY TICKETS TO THE **1ST WEEK WINE RELEASE DINNER** 2020

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Pokolbin Hunter Valley Wine Country





































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