



Hunter Valley 2025

1. Accommodation

Amaroo Lodge at the Vintage Golf Course in Pokolbin booked (AirBnb) – Mar 23 to Mar 29.

Cost is \$4664 - \$583 per person. Have paid \$2332 so will advise details for payment of \$291.50 per person later this month. Remaining balance will be taken 13 Feb.

Check-in is 2pm-5pm on Sunday 23 Mar. Approx 2:30 drive from Sydney airport so ideally aiming to leave airport by 14:00 (if not possible due to flights I am sure we can arrange something).

Check-out is before 10 am on Saturday 29 Mar. Aim to leave at 9:00 so probably need to look at flights to Perth after 13:00.

2. Flights

Perth – Sydney

QANTAS

Sat 22 Mar QF654
Depart 22:55 Arrive 06:05

Sun 23 Mar QF644
Depart 08:00 Arrive 15:10 (later than ideal)

Sun 23 Mar QF770/QF444
Depart 05:35 Arrive 14:25 (later than ideal, via Melbourne)

VIRGIN

Sun 23 Mar VA550
Depart 06:00 Arrive 13:15

Sydney - Perth

QANTAS

Sat 29 Mar QF651
Depart 15:20 Arrive 17:10

VIRGIN

Sat 29 Mar VA557
Depart 12:25 Arrive 14:30 (tight but possibly doable)

Sat 29 Mar VA567
Depart 18:15 Arrive 20:20

3. Golf Courses

Vintage (where we are staying) – Mon-Thur \$130, Fri \$160

Cypress Lakes – Mon-Thur \$110, Fri \$140

Hunter Valley – Mon-Thur \$75, Fri \$85 (or possibly \$75)

Pacific Dunes - \$100

We are aiming to play golf on 4 days with a break on Wednesday. The first three courses are all within 10 minutes of each other. The fourth is in Newcastle (just over 1 hour drive each way). An alternative suggestion is to drop Pacific Dunes to avoid the long drive, and play one of the other courses twice (Monday and Friday). We apparently can get some discount vouchers for Vintage because we are staying there. If anyone has any thoughts over what they would prefer as far as courses and order of play, could they please let me know.

4. Layday

There are multiple vineyards around Pokolbin – Audrey Wilkinson Vineyard, RidgeView Wines, The Garden Cellars, Keith Tulloch Wine and The Tower Estate to name but a few. No definite plans yet but was thinking of a tasting at one or two and a lunch at one (Jeff may be able to give us some guidance on what might be worth trying?).

5. Meals

Thought we could possibly have 3 evening meals out – Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday. All other meals including breakfasts would be at the house. Golf days we would aim for tee times around 10:00 – 11:00 just light snacks over lunch.

Apart from the dates and the accommodation, nothing is cast in stone, so any thoughts, ideas and/or alternative suggestions would be appreciated.