



# WINE GUILD VICTORIA INCORPORATED

## ITINERARY

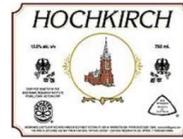
### HENTY WINE REGION WEEKENDER

Michael Unwin  
*Wines*  
BEAUFORT



Alexandra House

PIERREPOINT  
SINCE 1998



Comfort Inn Botanical

### SATURDAY 23RD MARCH 2019

**Coach Captain:**

**Tour Leaders: Bob Bailey, Di Lofts, Graeme Lofts**

**Coach Mobile:**

**Di's Mobile: 0412 756 073**

**PLEASE NOTE: The coach will depart on time and will not wait for late comers.**

**Depart:** 7.00am

**BOX HILL**

Box Hill South Family Centre  
1228A Riversdale Road, Box Hill South  
(Cnr. Station Street)

**Arrive:** 8.55am

**VICTORIA PARK, NEWINGTON. BALLARAT VIC**

Sturt Street, Newington. Ballarat Vic 3350  
Morning tea served by Wine Guild Victoria Committee and volunteers

**Depart:** 9.25am

**Arrive:** 10.05am

**Wine tasting**

**MICHAEL UNWIN WINES** Est: 2004

2 Racecourse Road, Beaufort Vic. 3678

Phone: (03) 5349 2021

Owners: Michael (winemaker) and Catherine Unwin

Michael Unwin learned the art of winemaking around the world with some of the most influential and forward-thinking winemakers of our time. When the time came to settle down to create his own wines in 2004, he built his winery at Beaufort, "because this is the geographical centre of our best viticultural areas in Western Victoria." The winery is well known for the consistently high-calibre wines across a broad range of styles and price. The wine buying fraternity loves the no-nonsense approach and enjoy tasting and buying their wines from inside the actual winemaking cellar in Beaufort. One Goat – of the One Goat label fame, will personally greet you as you come through our front gate.



**Depart:** 11.05pm

**Arrive:** 12.55pm

**Lunch**

**ALEXANDRA HOUSE SPORTS CLUB**

134 Brown Street, Hamilton Vic. 3300

Phone: (03) 5571 1736

The original home of the Alexandra College for Ladies is of regional significance both for its historical associations and for its architecture. The College opened in 1872 and moved into this building in 1874, with the intention of providing excellent instruction to the young ladies of both town and country. It has historical importance as a high quality Western District Girls' College attended by the daughters of leading regional townspeople and the rural gentry. It provided a secondary education for a privileged few at a time when the state system only catered for a primary education. The College was amalgamated with its brother school, the Hamilton and Western District College in 1962. The building was disposed of by the Presbyterian Church in 1972 at first being used as offices and then as the Alexandra House Reception Rooms.



**Lunch:** 1.00pm

A set menu of a 2 course lunch served 50/50. Includes tea and coffee.  
Glass of wine at own expense.

**Depart:** 2.00pm

## SATURDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> (CONT)

**Arrive:** 2.15pm

**Wine tasting**

**PIERREPOINT WINES** Est: 1998  
271 Pierrepoint Road, Tarrington Vic 3300  
Phone: (03) 5572 5553  
Owners: Andrew and Jennifer Lacey  
Winemaker: Scott Ireland



Andrew and Jennifer grow Chardonnay, Pinot Noir and Pinot Gris grapes on their five hectare vineyard, which was established in 1998. With red volcanic soil and a gentle, cool climate punctuated by brilliantly sunny summer days, Pierrepoint is ideally situated for these varieties. The vines are tended with traditional care, being hand pruned in the winter, de-budded to reduce the yield (this increases the quality of the grapes), and then hand harvested over several weeks beginning late summer through to early autumn. Border Collie, Bear, takes it upon himself to welcome visitors onto the property – don't worry, he is extremely friendly. A flock of sheep fertilize and graze the vineyard during winter, and the ducks, geese and chickens keep the insects at bay whilst also fertilizing the vineyard, and providing them with lovely fresh eggs as a fringe benefit. Since 2008 they have employed a wine maker, Scott Ireland, to make their suite of wines: the Pierrepoint Pinot Noir, Nick's Pick Pinot Gris, Alexandra Chardonnay, Sparkling Pinot Gris, and Lacey Late Harvest Dessert Pinot Gris. This has proved to be an extremely successful decision with Scott's vintages winning numerous accolades and awards being regularly presented to their vintages. Scott is a renowned wine maker, with 35 years experience in the industry. He began his career with Peter Lehmann in the Barossa Valley of South Australia and during the 1980s gained experience in many more wineries throughout Australia, France and the US.

**Depart:** 3.15pm

**Arrive:** 3.30pm

**Wine tasting**

**HOCHKIRCH VINEYARDS** Est: 1990  
7389 Hamilton Highway, Tarrington Vic 3300  
Ph: (03) 5573 5200  
Owners: Jennifer and John Nagorcka



At the foothills of the Grampians is the town of Tarrington, formerly known by the name given to it by its German settlers, Hochkirch. John & Jennifer Nagorcka's family vineyard (20 acres) is part of a greater farm (700 acres), all simply named Hochkirch. The vineyard is close-planted at around 5,000 vines per hectare on a North facing slope at 250m above sea level.

The soil structure is red/brown basalt loam over granite & clay. All vines are on their own rootstocks. With an eager commitment to biodynamics that has shown considerable rewards, they produce exceptionally vibrant fruit, processed fearlessly without additions by John and his family at their winery located at the Hochkirch farm. The vineyard has been managed biodynamically since 2000 and certified Demeter in 2003. Wines are all bottled by hand and only natural cork is used as a closure.

**Depart:** 4.30pm

**Arrive:** 4.45pm

**Accommodation**

**Winemaker's Dinner**

**COMFORT INN BOTANICAL**  
Cnr. French and Thomptons Streets, Hamilton Vic 3300  
Phone: (03) 5572 1855  
Managers: Lyn and Geoff  
Check in, free time, get ready for Winemaker's Dinner being held in restaurant.

6.30pm for 7.00pm Start – **Winemaker's Dinner**

**Host – Peter Dixon and Henty Estate**

\*\*\*\*\* **GOOD NIGHT** \*\*\*\*\*



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### HENTY WINE REGION WEEKENDER



Campe's Motor Museum

Chalambar Golf Club

### SUNDAY 24TH MARCH 2019

**Coach Captain:**

**Tour Leaders: Bob Bailey, Di Lofts, Graeme Lofts**

**Coach Mobile:**

**Di's Mobile: 0412 756 073**

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#### COMFORT INN BOTANICAL

**All Luggage to be put next to coach, ready to be loaded by 7.15am**

**Depart: 7.15am COMFORT INN BOTANICAL FOR JACK + JUDE CAFÉ ON FOOT**

**Arrive: 7.25am JACK + JUDE CAFÉ**  
Cooked Breakfast 99 Brown Street, Hamilton Vic 3300  
**Depart: 8.45am** For Comfort Inn Botanical



**Depart: 9.00am COMFORT INN BOTANICAL**

**Arrive: 9.10am CAMPE'S MOTOR MUSEUM**  
226 Coleraine Road, Hamilton Vic 3300  
Phone: 0419 168 400  
Owner: Glen



Glen has been collecting all types of memorabilia for over 50 years. He has very carefully restored it all himself taking many, many man hours. Nothing here is on consignment, he has bought it all over the years.

**Depart: 10.15am**

**Arrive: 10.30am BOCHARA WINES Est: 1998**  
Wine Tasting 1099 Glenelg Highway, Bochara Vic 3301  
Phone: (03) 5571 9309



Owners: Martin and Kylie Slocombe  
Martin and Kylie produce premium handcrafted wines in Henty Wine Region and are known best for their Sauvignon Blanc, Picnic Train Rose, Pinot Noir and Gewurztraminer. The site features well drained buckshot gravel soil and a north facing aspect. The site is cool by Australian standards. As well as grapes grown at Bochara, small batches of different varieties grown in the Henty region are selected from time to time for the Bochara Wines label. The charming Bochara Wines cellar door is formerly the home of a returned WWI Light Horseman. The weatherboard cottage was built at Tahara during the nineteenth century and transported to its current site in the 1920s. It was restored in 2002 and provides visitors with a comfortable and historic venue for wine tasting and views of the vineyard.

**Depart: 11.30am**

## SUNDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> (CONT)

**Arrive:** 1.00pm

Lunch

### **CHALAMBAR GOLF CLUB**

118 Golf Links Road, Ararat Vic 3377

Phone: (03) 5352 4297

Chalambar Golf and Bowls Club is situated two kilometres from the Ararat CBD at the foot of One Tree Hill in a peaceful rural setting with an abundance of natural wildlife around the course and magnificent views across the Pyrenees Ranges and Mount Langi Ghiran from the top of the course.

Chally's Bar and Bistro has something for everyone in a relaxed and social atmosphere. Includes wine, tea & coffee.



**Depart:** 2.30pm

**Arrive:** 2.40pm

### **MONTARA WINES** Est: 1970

76 Chalambar Road, Ararat Vic 3377

Phone: 0439 747 337

Owners: Stapleton Family

Winemaker: Simon Fennell



Montara is captivating with its panorama of plains, mountains, vines, and old-world charm of the Ararat gold rush days. It is a feast for the eyes and the spirit. The Stapleton family acquired the vineyard in 2006 after a long history in the Australian export and agribusiness industries. They chose the property for its scenic location and suitability for premium wine production. This dynamic group of six siblings has given Montara a youthful exuberance, where tradition meets a new era of winemaking. They are firm believers that wine brings people together, so you will often find the Stapletons celebrating life with beautiful food, music, and wine. They hope to encapsulate this experience in each and every bottle. Montara vines grow in well-drained, rich red loam soil over a gravel/shale base. The total area under vine is 20 hectares, and plantings include shiraz, pinot noir, and riesling (all of which are 40+ year old vines), as well as chardonnay, sauvignon blanc, cabernet sauvignon, and merlot.

**Depart:** 3.25pm

**Arrive** 6.15pm **BOX HILL SOUTH FAMILY CENTRE**



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