

Winter Warming Winemaker's Dinner in the Hunter Valley

To celebrate the fifth annual Hunter Valley Wine and Food Month this June, Crowne Plaza Hunter Valley will host a special one-off winemaker's table dinner, offering the chance to get up close and personal with an iconic local wine expert.

The culinary event will bring Crowne Plaza Hunter Valley's executive head chef Michael Bell and McWilliam's winemaker Scott McWilliam together to create a six-course degustation dining experience on Saturday June 4.

Hosted in the hotel's Redsalt Restaurant, the entertaining dinner will feature a menu of local produce, including smoked Nulkaba quail, fresh oysters, smoked trout and scallops, and Black Angus beef fillet, matched to Mount Pleasant wines, for \$110 per person.

For more information or reservations, contact Crowne Plaza Hunter Valley on 02 4991 0976 or email andi.julias@ihg.com.

As a preferred accommodation supplier to the month-long Hunter Valley Food and Wine festival, Crowne Plaza Hunter Valley is offering great rates on its *Explore and Escape* package*, including overnight accommodation and full buffet breakfast for two at Redsalt restaurant, from \$185 in a deluxe guest room, from \$230 in a two-bedroom villa and from \$280 in a three-bedroom villa.

A series of food and wine events will take place at venues across the Hunter Valley in June, including produce tastings, cheese appreciation workshops, wine-based cocktail-making classes and long lunches amongst the vines.

Complementing these events are the gastronomic experiences on offer at Crowne Plaza Hunter Valley's restaurants and bars, including Redsalt Restaurant, star anise restaurant featuring Asian-fusion cuisine, Grapevine Cafe-Bar and Vista Lounge, the hotel's specialty whisky bar complete with fireplaces which is open well into the night.

Crowne Plaza Hunter Valley guests can also enjoy a range of leisure facilities and activities, including the on-site 18-hole golf course, huge outdoor pool and spa, tennis and basketball courts, 24-hour gym, Tea Tree Spa and the Water Dragons Kids Club – the only complimentary supervised kids club of any hotel in the region, for children aged 3-12.

For more information on Crowne Plaza Hunter Valley or to make a booking, call 138 388 or visit www.crowneplazahuntervalley.com.au.

For the full program of Hunter Valley Wine and Food Month events, visit www.hvwineandfood.hvva.com.au.

** Rates are per room, per night and subject to availability. A minimum two-night stay applies. Valid for stays until August 31, 2011. Terms and conditions and blackout dates apply.*

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