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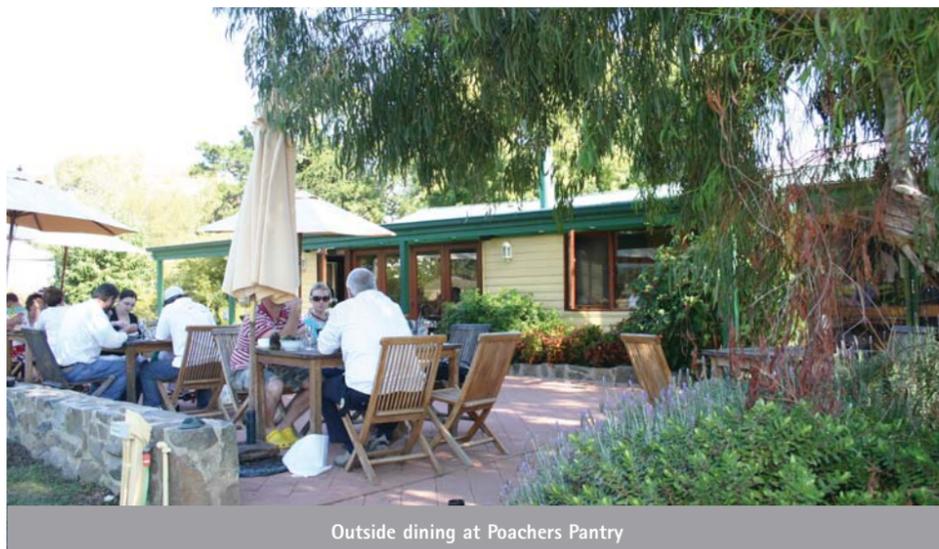


The Canines travel to our nation's capital, Canberra

Canberra, our nation's capital, is the perfect getaway destination for an autumn/winter break. This compact city is blessed with warm, sunny days and cool evenings. It's also blessed with a delightful pet friendly Bed and Breakfast just 15 minutes from most of Canberra's attractions.

Ginninderry is a gracious and stately homestead situated on a 70 acre estate. It's surrounded by gorgeous gardens, Victorian style gazebos and has views of the surrounding mountain ranges. A long tree-lined driveway leads to a luxurious lawn and pathway to the main entrance. The homestead has its own canine greeters who are more than happy to show your dog around this exceptionally well maintained property.

The elegant accommodation includes two queen size Deluxe rooms and two cosier queen rooms. The rooms are tastefully decorated, are filled with antiques and have ensuite bathrooms. House trained and well mannered dogs are allowed to sleep in your rooms but are not allowed into the common areas—the large guest sitting room downstairs and the smaller sitting room upstairs.



Outside dining at Poachers Pantry



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As evening approaches, you're welcome to have a complementary glass of sherry or port and it's a pleasant time, at dusk, to sit in the garden and watch deer and kangaroo cross the nearby ranges. For early risers—human and canine—a walk up the long driveway is an excellent start to the morning. I felt like a piper of dogs as I set out on a brisk walk. I started with two dogs and within a short amount of time had a total of seven, spirited canine companions eagerly bounding up the driveway. The Homestead's collection of livestock includes handsome Belted Galloway cattle, Angora and Boer goats and a selection of chicken and geese.

All pets should accompany you at all times. The Homestead has a courtyard area where dogs can eat and laze for short periods. Ginninderry can arrange 'day care' should you have activities planned where pets aren't welcomed.

The areas around Canberra, most of them in NSW, are home to many fine wineries, among them Clonakilla, Helm, Lark Hill and Brindabella Hills. Don't miss the Poachers Pantry Smokehouse Cafe outside Hall. They serve an array of entrees and mains and thoughtfully list meal options that are vegetarian, gluten or dairy free. Main choices include Smoked turkey and porcini mushroom tartlet with creamy potato and chive mash and onion jam, Risotto of spinach and preserved lemon with roasted tomatoes and fresh shaved pecorino cheese and Smoked garlic prawns with potato gnocchi and sauce vierge. Not to be missed is their Smokehouse platter to share, which consists of their own smoked meats—like a meaty ploughmans platter.

On a glorious day, you can sit outside under a large umbrella and enjoy the garden outlook. They're dog friendly for well-behaved dogs as long as their other diners are not troubled with canine company. Poachers Pantry also have tastings for Willy Trout Wines and these make a perfect libation for a long weekend lunch.

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House rules

Ginninderry welcomes well-behaved dogs, caged birds and horses (in stockyard).

If your dog is house trained, they are allowed in your bedroom (not communal areas) when accompanied by you. They are not allowed on your bed or any other furniture.

You must provide appropriate bedding and provisions for your pet including water bowl and a towel should your dog have wet feet.

Please pick-up deposits left on the lawn or pathways – the garden welcomes your dog's fertilizer, so no need for pick-ups here!

One of our house rules is that your pet accompanies you at all times. If your plans do not include your dog, Best Friend Pet Centre at 140 Parkwood Road can be contacted on (02) 6254 6399. Their day rate is \$15. Although not generally open on weekends, they may make concessions for Ginninderry Clients. www.bestfriendpetcentre.com.au

Ginninderry is a working farm - there are associated risks for pets. It is important that you supervise your pet at all times.

Weekend price for two nights is from \$165 deluxe and \$200 superior for two adults in a queen room with ensuite. Pets are charged at \$20 each per night.

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Enjoying the lush lawn with new friends

We couldn't resist including this curious shot taken by one of our readers. As Marcia from Lilyfield writes "This is my cat Mac who gave me a great shock. I thought the tyre on my car had been split open. On closer inspection, I realised Mac had found a new warm and relaxing spot to sleep."

Well we certainly got a chuckle out of Mac's new nap spot. Which reminds us to remind you that we are on the hunt for new talent to be shot and appear in future editions of Urban Animal. See our article on page 34. We're always looking for pets who aren't shy about hamming it up in front of the camera. Ideally we look for pets who have close inter-species relationships. Small digital images under 100K or 600-800 pixels wide should be sent to artwork@urbananimal.net



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