

# Come! Sit! Stay!



## The Fibro Majestic, Blue Mountains

While back we scheduled a review for a 'pet friendly' location in the Blue Mountains. Despite having rave reviews (not independently written) the property was just not suitable for our readers, so we skipped it. This time, we did our homework and came up with a fabulous place to stay in Katoomba. It has style, comfort, fenced-in location away from busy roads and a beautiful amenity—but don't worry, it'll probably be easy to book because the worst part of it is that the real estate agent that handles the Fibro Majestic ([www.fibromajestic.com](http://www.fibromajestic.com)) seems to hardly bother returning calls or answering questions. So if you can actually get a booking confirmed and get information as to how to find it and other vital clues, you'll be laughing!



The Lounge room of the Fibro Majestic

We won't bore you with the dramas involved in making sure that we actually had the property for a weekend after Anzac Day, but only a couple of hours before we had to make the hour and a half trek with the critters, were we able to reach the agent by mobile and got directions and instructions. It was only an hour before sunset when we got the key and alarm instructions. And after picking up with a couple of bottles of wine from Blaxland Liquors on the way, we entered a side door to The Twilight Zone!

The Fibro Majestic is a 1930s style bungalow tucked away behind a blue picket fence and hidden from the street by trees. Many treasures are contained within and only a moment after entering the three-bedroom cottage, the chorus of WOWs began. It was like stepping back into another era. And any stress was left at the door with the shoes.

Just inside, an immaculately restored, working gramophone with brass bell greeted us. The dark red lounge room had art deco furniture, a snazzy bar area and a trove of old photos and art among the kitch furnishings. The Persian carpet was a perfect contrast to the fireplace, already loaded with logs and kindling, ready to roar! Dropping the bags in the back bedroom with its gorgeous curtains and inviting old style double bed, more treasures popped into view. An ancient bakelite radio nestled next to an equally aged 30s Candlestick phone with detachable earpiece and dial on the bottom of the mouthpiece—and it worked!!



Blue Mountains Sunset

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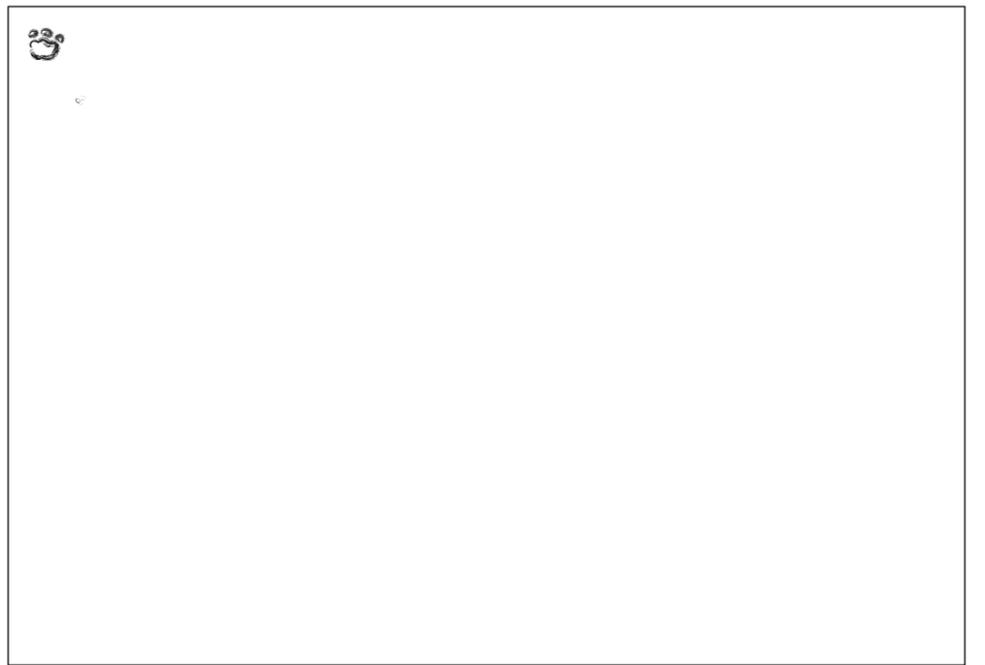
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The Gallery Restaurant



~~The gallery has a collection of contemporary art for sale. The prices range from \$100 to \$10,000.~~

For a more Mod-Oz experience we suggest Philip Searle's café built around the old Blackheath Bakery's wood oven. Vulcan's at 33 Govetts Leap Road a block off the Great Western Highway in Blackheath has no sign but sits next to the Commonwealth Bank. Slow cooked food is the specialty and it's also BYO with a small menu of fantastic creations. It's a Blue Mountains mecca for foodies and is a tight space with patchy service and vital to book. Entrees start at \$20.00, mains are \$32 and desserts start at \$13.00. Signature dishes include beef pot roast and pork with an Asian twist. Their dessert speciality is a homemade chequerboard ice cream.

A large and safe off-leash dog park is the old racetrack in Catalina Park where it's legal to race your hound. Care must be taken in the National Park areas and council reserves as these prohibit dogs. If you've forgotten to pack anything pet related, we recommend a friendly pet store called the Pet Shack.



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