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THE KIMBERLEY Outback NSW GEELONG & THE BELLARINE  
CRUISING TASMANIA CLARE VALLEY K'gari (Fraser Island)



**QT NEWCASTLE**

QT Newcastle gives back to the community by virtue of the fact it's housed in the iconic 113-year-old former David Jones building, which Novocastrians have a high degree of ownership over. As well as respecting the elegant bones of the building, the luxury hotel has widened the lens to include a contemporary modern Australian bar and grill (Jana) and sky-high izakaya-style bar (Rooftop at QT) that celebrate NSW producers. The hotel uses refillable Kevin Murphy dispensers in its bathrooms, offers and features upcycled materials throughout.



**Grand plans ...**

**Eco-aware pods**  
Devotees of the design-led WanderPods dotted around the Scenic Rim will want to indulge their wanderlust with a stay at one of four new eco cabins set to be barnacled onto Tamar Ridge overlooking Snelling Beach on Kangaroo Island late 2022. The off-grid pods are designed to nudge guests toward thinking how to embrace more sustainable

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CHECK IN to check out the FABULOUS new CONSO



**VOCO BR**  
In keeping with the theme, the room is filled with mostly neutral tones and a touch of yellow. Conso is aerated with 100 per cent recycled materials and free access to the rooftop atmospheric



**CHALETS AT BLACKHEATH**

Australia has a new high-end eco resort, located in the pretty village of Blackheath in NSW's Blue Mountains. So far there are four chalets dotted around the 6.4-hectare property, each featuring a king-size bed, fireplace and oversized bathrooms fed by rainwater. The eco resort is located where the Jemby Rinjah Eco Lodge once stood (it was destroyed during the 2019 bushfires) and the new owner, entrepreneur Angela O'Connell, has been busy regenerating the property since acquiring it in 2020. The resort is built around a 'biophilic' approach to architecture that aims to connect guests more closely with nature. [chaletsblackheath.com.au](http://chaletsblackheath.com.au)



**THE LITTLE LADY**

Sample the austere beauty of the Mudgee Region with a stay in *The Little Lady*, the latest *Tiny Away* transplant at *Naked Lady Wines*, a small 5.6-hectare family-run vineyard in Rylstone. The modest but perfectly formed two-storey loft-style home was prefabricated offsite and includes an eco-friendly compost toilet and kitchenette and views over Capertree Valley that feel particularly extravagant. *The Little Lady* makes a great base from which to explore nearby Wollemi National Park or, if the mood takes you, participate in a tasting of the estate's award-winning basket-pressed wines. [tinyaway.com](http://tinyaway.com)



**LYF COLLINGWOOD**

Standing for 'live your freedom', lyf (pronounced life) is a next-gen hotel designed as a place to work, play and network. Targeted at millennials and digital nomads, the Collingwood property, located two minutes' walk to Smith Street, described by Time Out as 'the world's coolest street', has 105 studio rooms, a social lounge on the ground floor with colourful murals by local street artist Mysterious Al, a communal kitchen and meeting spaces. [discoverasr.com](http://discoverasr.com)

**MIRUMIRU**

There are four private campsites at Mirumiru, located at the foot of Mt Mackenzie near Tenterfield in NSW's New England High Country, including the Mary Ann Bugg tiny bubble tent (must be aged over seven) that you can book alongside the Captain Thunderbolt. By night, you can soak in a vintage outdoor tub before curling up in your designer-appointed Bubbletent to watch the stars rise up through the valley and confetti the night sky. [mirumirububbletent.com.au](http://mirumirububbletent.com.au)

