

HUME CITY COUNCIL



Please note: Hosted buyers and media wishing to participate in the Hume City Council day tour will arrive in Melbourne on Saturday 18 February. Delegates will spend one night in a Melbourne hotel, and will be collected on Sunday 19 February to commence tour.

Arrival:	Melbourne, Saturday 18 February, 2012
Tour Departure Date:	Sunday 19 February, 2012
Tour Departure Time:	08:30am
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Tour Duration:	One day
Website:	www.hume.vic.gov.au

Hume is a unique region to visit with an abundance of contrasting experiences. Sample award-winning wines at the cellar doors of historic wineries; visit the birthplace of cricket's Ashes at Rupertswood Mansion or brush shoulders with retired racehorse champions at Living Legends. From bluestone architecture to flora and fauna, there is something for all to enjoy and is only a short drive or train ride from Melbourne's CBD, and close to Melbourne Airport.

MORNING

- ❖ **Depart Melbourne** and travel to Hume City Council offices to meet with Emanuela Camera
- ❖ Visit **Living Legends: The International Home of Rest for Champion Horses**

Home to retired champion racehorses, Living Legends is also the home to Woodlands Estate, one of the largest acreage historic homesteads in Victoria. It boasts beautiful gardens, walking tracks, bike and horse trails and is an iconic spot for a picnic under the trees on the grass. Get up close and personal to Melbourne Cup winners such as Might and Power and Better Loosen Up. Enjoy a coffee overlooking Melbourne Airport and mobs of kangaroos in Woodlands Park.

Web: www.livinglegends.org.au

- ❖ Visit **Rupertswood Mansions**

*Pre touring is available exclusively to hosted buyers at AIME 2012.

*Bookings can be made directly in the Hosted Buyers zone.

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"Rupertswood" is the birthplace of the Ashes and is the original residence of Sir William John Clarke, the first Australian born

Baronet. Built in 1874 – 76, the 50-room Italianate-style mansion was the largest residence of its time. Rupertswood offers an experience usually only found in the great houses of England. The Mansion with its series of grand rooms, offers a unique backdrop for a range of events including weddings, conferences, seminars, presentations or business parties.

Web: www.rupertswood.com

LUNCH

- ❖ Enjoy a historic tour of **Emu Bottom Homestead** followed by lunch and 'Aussie' themed entertainment

Emu Bottom Homestead is only 25 minutes drive from Melbourne and 15 minutes from Tullamarine Airport, but feels a world away from the city.

Surrounded by 62 acres of beautiful gardens and natural Australian countryside one of the most impressive features of Emu Bottom Homestead is the heritage listed buildings which include a white-washed stone homestead, a red hum Wooldshed and Slab Hut. Each building has completely separate dining areas, gardens and parking so you can choose the perfect venue for your function.

Web: www.emubottom.com.au

AFTERNOON

- ❖ Visit **Goonawarra Vineyard** and tour the venue followed by a cheese and wine tasting

Spectacular and unique, the Cellar and Great Hall of Goona Warra located in the original bluestone winery have been carefully restored to provide a memorable food and wine experience in a delightful garden vineyard setting. The 1860's winery and surrounds offer a variety of unique environments to cater for all manner of weddings and events, formal or informal, ranging from cocktail parties to sit down dinners.

Web: www.goonawarra.com

- ❖ Return to Melbourne