



RAINFOREST RETREAT

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Discover O'Reilly's all year round

O'Reilly's Rainforest Retreat is an interactive 'Discovery Channel' waiting to be experienced, with an annual event calendar packed with opportunities to learn more about the environment or simply relax and appreciate nature (and maybe a good glass of O'Reilly's Canungra Valley Vineyards wine).

O'Reilly's 'Discovery Weeks' are dotted throughout the seasons, giving guests the chance to search for mammals, learn to paint wildlife in watercolour from the Artist in Residence, or join in the signature event, Bird Week, each November - with a host of other events and special weeks in between.

Overseeing the busy calendar, Activities Manager Tim O'Reilly believes the program offers something to appeal to most guests, not just avid bird-watchers.

"Our annual Bird Week is always our most popular event, and we have a series of short birding breaks spread throughout the seasons," Mr O'Reilly said.

"Those who aren't so interested in birds might prefer to spot mammals or go in search of frogs – and we have special weeks to cater for their interests – while experienced bushwalkers are always keen to take on the challenges of our 'Off the Beaten Track' program during August."

"Off the Beaten Track includes our annual guided walks to the site of the Stinson plane crash, and it is a great way for the fit and adventurous to commemorate an amazing rescue in Australian aviation history."

Even those who prefer their pursuits more cerebral than physical are catered for, with twice-annual writer's retreats, our Lamington Light Photography week.

Whatever the season, O'Reilly's Rainforest Retreat serves up nature with a family hospitality, honed over 80 years in the business

Each season offers a different experience – from the warmth of log fires in winter, to the budding blooms of spring, the frogs in chorus during the Summer wet season, and the lingering sunsets and leafy displays of Autumn.

Menus at the guesthouse also change with the seasons – although guests can always be assured of traditional country-style cuisine at its best.

The Guesthouse gets into a festive mood with the countdown to Christmas and the opportunity for guests to share in some O'Reilly family yuletide traditions – including a special menu in the dining room, with the merriment continuing as New Year is celebrated, O'Reilly's style.

O'Reilly's Discovery Weeks and seasonal activities are complemented by a daily Discovery program, offering bushwalks, 4WD adventures, visits to spectacular lookouts, the famous Tree Top Walk and the equally famous Flying Fox, nocturnal adventures to spot wildlife, not to mention the 'Scrub Club' just for kids.

The Discovery Programs are all lead by qualified experts and backed by a commitment to delivering quality interpretative experiences – indeed O'Reilly's enjoys Advanced Accreditation under the internationally acclaimed Nature and Ecotourism Accreditation Program (NEAP).

Sister property, O'Reilly's Canungra Valley Vineyards holds its own range of celebrations to mark special events, such as the harvest (in February-March), with its famous picnics popular all year round, but particularly in Summer.

For further information on any of these events, contact O'Reilly's Rainforest Retreat on 07 5502 4911 or O'Reilly's Canungra Valley Vineyards on 07 5543 4011, or visit www.oreillys.com.au.

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