



HOT SPOT

4-PAWS RESORT

DOGGIE DAYCARE AND KITTY KENNELS HAVE TAKEN A TURN FOR THE 'WOW' WITH THE LATEST LUXURY OFFERING BY PET RESORTS AUSTRALIA, LOCATED ON THE NSW CENTRAL COAST.

SPECIAL FEATURES INCLUDE:

- + Friendly and professional staff.
- + Villas and luxury suites.
- + Swimming pool and commando course.
- + Pet valets.
- + Under heated floors.
- + Ducted air conditioning.
- + Plasma screens with built-in webcams.
- + Room service and dining menu.
- + Day spa.
- + Comfortable bedding (or own bedding permitted after inspection).

PLANNING YOUR NEXT HOLIDAY, but feeling a tad guilty as you have to leave your best friend behind? If you can't find anyone to keep your pooch company while you are away or you are not convinced that they'd be happy boarding in a regular kennel, then keep reading! 'Pet Resorts Australia' has recently opened their star facility in Terrigal on NSW's Central Coast. So while you're relaxing and sipping on pina coladas, your four-legged-friends can be knocking back ice-block treats with new playmates.

Pet Resorts Australia is a luxury holiday resort

catering for up to 200 canine guests and offers 10 individual rooms for its feline guests. Their aim is to raise the bar in the pet industry creating a new level of pet care but at the same time keeping it affordable. Sarah Peters-Denning, Pet Resorts CEO says 'We wanted to create a facility that was accessible to most pet owners; however, our main aim was to raise the bar, set a new standard in pet boarding and training and change the public perception of what a boarding kennel is.' And who better than Australia's top dog trainer, Steve Austin, to be pioneering

this concept? Having achieved success in a wide variety of animal training applications over the past few decades Steve is director and ambassador of the organisation, and it is under his professional guidance that the resort has evolved into what it is today.

If you are thinking that a pet resort seems a little 'out there', then consider that there is a growing market for high-end services such as this. In fact, according to a recent article in Sydney's *Daily Telegraph*, a survey of Australian pet owners found that dog owners are spending an average of up to \$25,000 on their pets over their lifetime and annual figures of \$2,624 on gourmet meals, grooming and daycare for pampered pooches.

So what makes this facility so special? There's a 'no cage' policy, accommodation is light, airy and spacious, and some rooms even have water views. The resort prides itself on comfort, offering underfloor heating and ducted air conditioning. You can even check your pooch into one of the seven individually-themed luxury suites which has a human-sized bed and/or TV with a webcam (so you can see your pooch from wherever you are).

There is an extensive list of activities and services available to both inhouse and day-use guests, including the 'coming soon' Day Spa, which will offer basic grooming and indulgent treatments, as well as swimming lessons and use of the commando course. For any troubling behaviour, you can also try the obedience courses supervised by Steve and Vicki Austin, which are designed for dogs of all ages and temperaments.

Of course, if your four-legged-friend is well behaved but carrying a bit of extra weight then consider the two-week inhouse 'Lose your puppy fat' program where, after an initial assessment, your pet will then have a fat loss exercise and eating program designed specifically for them.

So, if want to be greeted by a happy and healthy pet upon your return from holidays, put your mind at ease and check them in to the Pet Resorts Australia. But be careful, they may have so much fun that they never want to leave!

A TYPICAL DAY AT THE PET RESORT:

- + Good morning cuddle and room service at 8.30am.
- + All day unlimited outdoor access for plenty of fresh air with sun and shade options.
- + Group playtime of chasing, rolling, cuddling, splashing in the paddling pool with other well matched furry friends at the grassy play area.
- + Hang out and relaxation time with room mates.
- + Additional activities commence (extra cost).
- + Evening meal for those who have requested it.
- + Cuddle and lights out.

AVAILABLE PACKAGES:

There options available to pet owners who want to really splash out, but standard accommodation is impressive, yet cost effective.

- + Premium Bronze from \$30 per day
- + Premium Silver from \$36 per day
- + Premium Gold from \$42 per day
- + Luxury Gold from \$69 per day
- + Luxury Platinum from \$79 per day
- Kitty Package from \$24 per day.

To find out more go to www.petresortsaustralia.com

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