



AUTUMN WRITER'S RETREAT AT LINDEN COTTAGE

2–7 MARCH 2026 | CUNNINGAR, NSW

Hosted by Bara Skriv

UNPLUG. CREATE. CONNECT.

Step away from daily demands and into five days of focused, unhurried writing at Linden Cottage, a quiet farm stay near Harden, NSW. This Bara Skriv writing retreat offers time, structure, and supportive company for writers who want to reconnect with their work and make meaningful progress.

Designed for deep focus, the retreat balances writing blocks with shared meals, rest, and gentle connection in a small, considered group.



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WHAT'S INCLUDED

- 5 nights' accommodation with full board at Linden Cottage near Harden, NSW
- Morning writing blocks & optional evening sharing sessions
- Ample time for solo writing, rest, walking and exploration
- Provisioned breakfast and lunch for guests to prepare at their own pace
- Snacks, tea and coffee available throughout the day
- Cooked group dinners each night
- Optional 1:1 writing discussion or feedback
- Free WiFi and a sky filled with stars far away from city lights

Transport is not included. Cunningham is approximately 1.5h from Canberra and 3.5h from Sydney by car or 4.5h from Sydney by train. Pick-up from the Harden train station is available upon request.



ACCOMMODATION & PRICING

Four bedrooms are available for retreaters at Linden cottage:

- Room 1 – King
- Room 2 – Queen
- Room 3 – Queen
- Room 4 – Queen



Bring a friend and share, or book a room for yourself:

- \$1300 per room

Please note: the cottage has one shared bathroom with a separate toilet



WHO IT'S FOR

Writers of fiction, non-fiction, memoir, poetry, or creative exploration, as well as literary editors and translators. No prior publication required—just bring your curiosity and commitment to the page.



HOW TO APPLY

Places are limited. Please submit the Expression of Interest form via the website to be considered: www.baraskriv.com

PAYMENT TERMS

A 50% deposit is required to secure your place.

The remaining balance is due by 14 February 2026.

Deposits are non-refundable but may be transferred to another person in consultation with Bara Skriv. Final payments are non-refundable.



CONTACT

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SAMPLE DAILY SCHEDULE

- 09:00 – 10:00: Self-serve breakfast
- 10:00 – 13:00: Dedicated writing block including group session
- 13:00 – 14:00: Lunch break, prepare at your own pace from sandwich buffet
- 14:00 – 16:00: Free writing time / optional 1:1 feedback / farm walks
- 16:00 – 18:30: Rest, reading, or journaling
- 18:30 – 20:00: Group dinner
- 20:00 onwards: Board games, conversations or quiet rest



THE SETTING

Linden Cottage is a farm stay nestled in the quiet surrounds of Cunningham, surrounded by rolling countryside, open skies, and rural charm. In summer, the region offers clear days and golden evenings, perfect for rest and inspiration. Giving way to autumn, early March brings warm days, cooler evenings, and a sense of seasonal slowing — ideal conditions for creative work.

Writers will have access to peaceful rural surrounds, farm views, friendly animals, and space to reset and refocus.



WHAT TO BRING

- Comfortable clothing and closed-toe shoes
- Notebook, pens, or laptop
- Sun protection and reusable water bottle
- Personal snacks or drinks
- BYO alcohol if desired
- Reading or reference material
- An open, steady mindset

A Nespresso pod machine is available at the cottage.



RETREAT CULTURE & CODE OF CONDUCT

Participants are asked to contribute to a calm, respectful, and inclusive environment. This includes observing quiet hours during writing time, respecting shared spaces, and engaging generously with others.

Participation in group activities is always optional.



CANCELLATION

All deposits are non-refundable but may be transferred to another participant in consultation with Bara Skriv.

If illness or unforeseen circumstances prevent attendance, please contact us as soon as possible.

Should the retreat be postponed for circumstances outside the host's control, participants will be offered a place on the rescheduled retreat, a credit for a future retreat, or a full refund.



ABOUT YOUR HOST

Bara Skriv writing retreats are hosted by Lily Mulholland, a writer and creative facilitator with more than 25 writing credits across anthologies, journals, and magazines.

Her published work spans fiction and creative non-fiction, and a full list of credits is available at:

<https://lilymulholland.com.au/writing-credits/>

Lily believes in the value of uninterrupted time, clear structure, and calm environments that allow writers to do their best work. She brings a steady, thoughtful approach to hosting — creating retreats that are professional, low-pressure, and deeply respectful of each participant's creative process.

