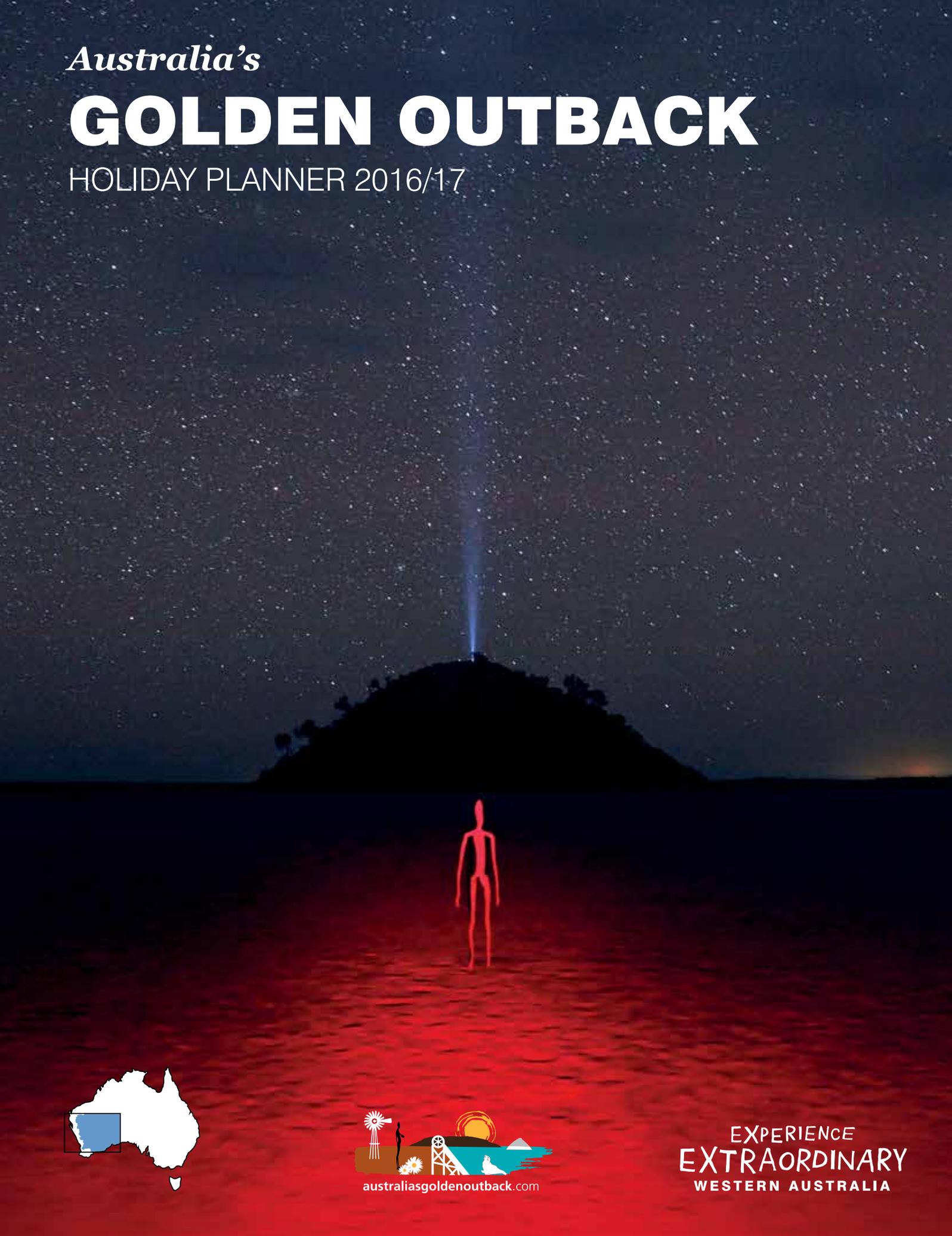


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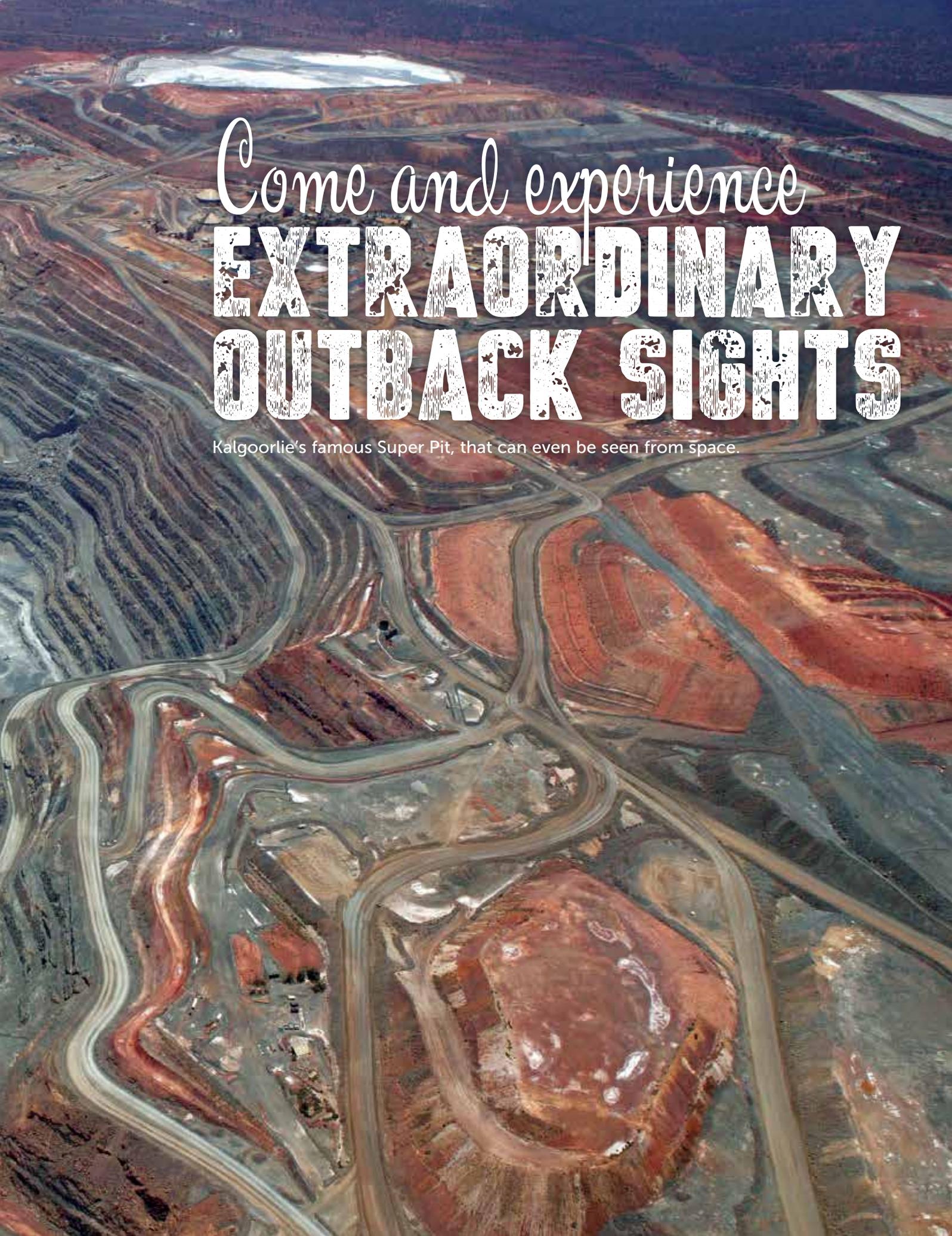
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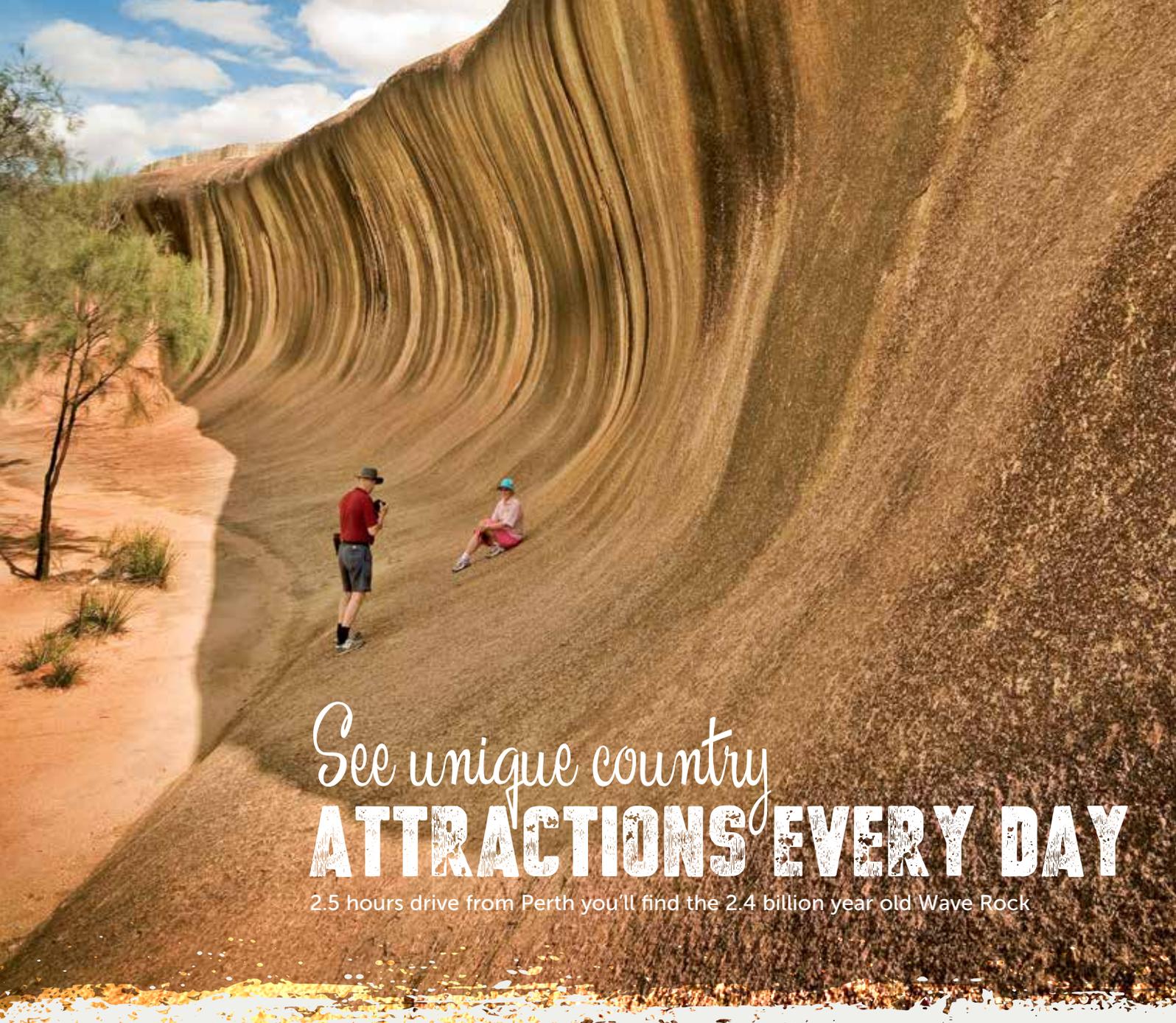
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Making up 54 per cent of Western Australia, Australia's Golden Outback offers a surprising diversity of outstanding holiday experiences. Visitors can immerse themselves in a fascinating and memorable mix of nature, history, adventure and discovery - all against the dramatic backdrops of blue skies, wide horizons or spectacular oceans.

The natural landscape is an artistic display of outback plains, lakes, woodlands, rocky outcrops and beautiful beaches. Late winter and early spring bring dazzling displays of wildflowers, transforming the countryside into a picture postcard of colour and texture.

The gold rush country of the 1800s has a deep sense of both history and legend woven into its towns and trails. Visitors can appreciate the evolution of modern mining that is so vital to the state.

Many great pioneering innovations are still to be seen across the state as testimony to the forging of Western Australia. Vast farms and stations cover rolling hills and scrub regions, underlining a determined spirit in the peoples' strong connection to their land.

Australia's Golden Outback is a region where driving is an adventure in itself, and the area offers a large network of gazetted pathways and 4WD tracks.

The southern coast provides numerous pristine white beaches, aquamarine water and a variety of fascinating wildlife such as birds, dolphins, whales, seals and other marine life.

Other regional holiday experiences include memorable farmstays less than two hours from Perth, as well as station stays on enormous, remote properties.

It's a region that loves to celebrate its rich diversity in many forms, and a full calendar of events, festivals and fairs means there is always something for every holidaymaker to enjoy.

This comprehensive guide will assist you to plan your holiday to Australia's Golden Outback and help ensure that you discover its magic for yourself.

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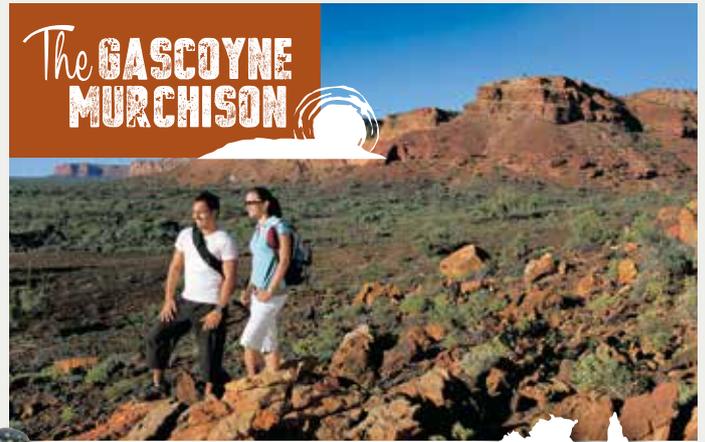
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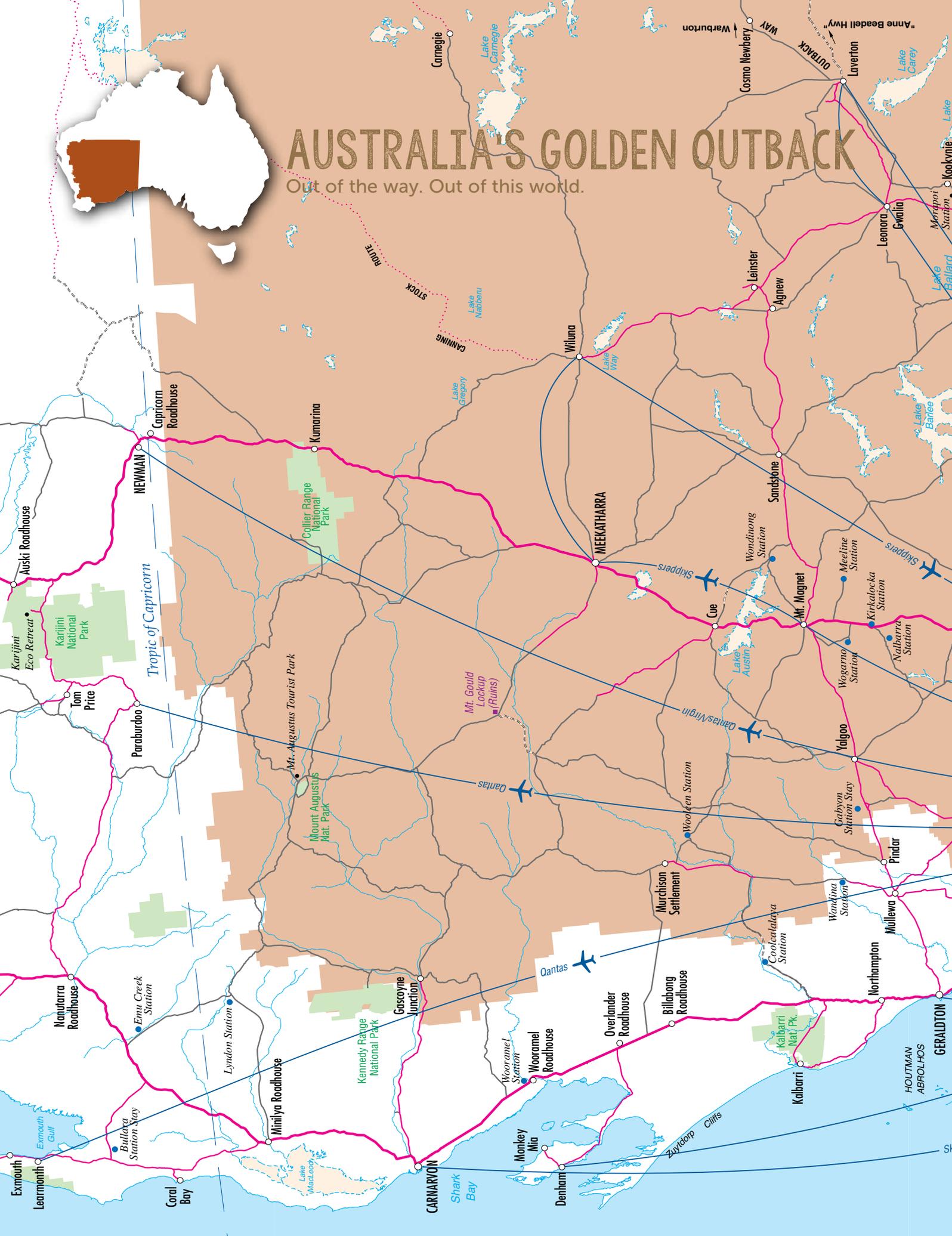
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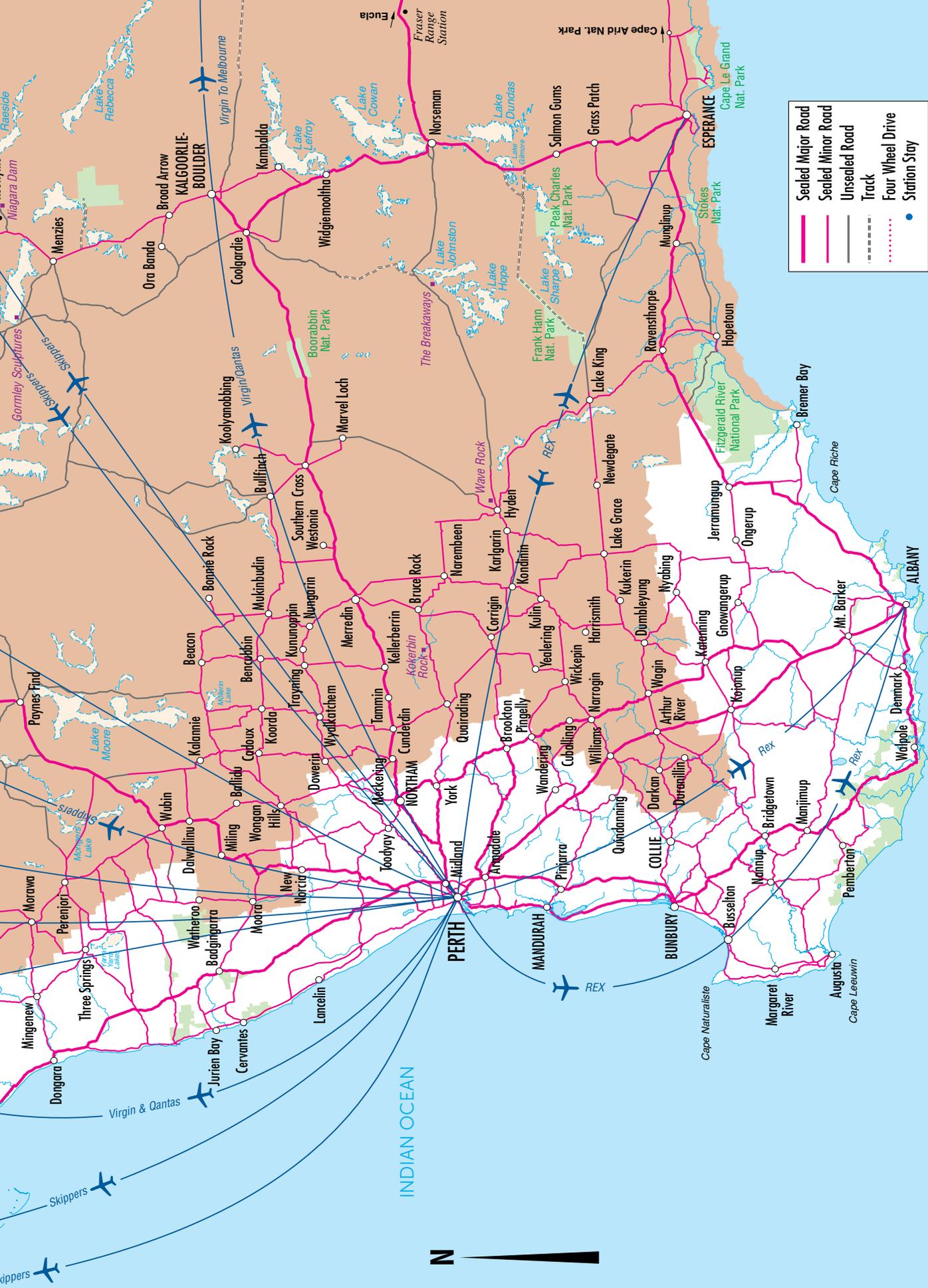


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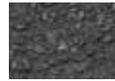


Self Drive TOURING ROUTES



The largest range of extraordinary self drive touring routes in WA

Australia's Golden Outback has a fascinating range of self drive touring routes offering vast horizons and clear blue skies. Travel through historical areas and to extraordinary natural attractions.



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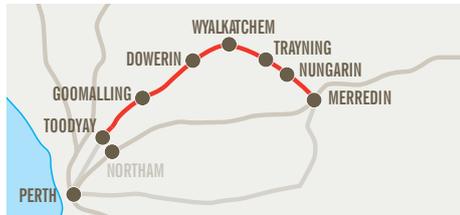
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Wildflowers in Spring: This wildflower symbol on the headings indicates these routes burst into bloom during the springtime wildflower season.

2 DAY PIONEERS' PATHWAY

Follow the dream of early farming and gold mining pioneers who journeyed east into the Wheatbelt in search of fortunes from life on the land.



Day 1:
Perth to Dowerin
160km, 2 hours

Leave the hustle of the city behind and escape through the hills to the pretty farming town of Toodyay. Valley views and a patchwork of farmland make this a scenic stop for lunch at one of the local pubs or riverside picnic spots. Continue north east to Goomalling, crossing the Avon River tributary at Mortlock River – a well known wildflower stop during spring. The Tin Dog sculpture welcomes you to Dowerin. Take the walk trail to see local wildlife before checking into one of the hotels and motels in town.

Day 2:
Dowerin to Merredin
155km, 2 hours

The drive from Dowerin to Merredin winds through farmland, bush reserves and springtime wildflowers.

Enjoy a pub lunch at Wyalkatchem and a visit to the local museum before heading through Nungarin and Trayning to the heart of the Wheatbelt, Merredin. See the biggest grain storage facility in the country and learn more about the way of life on the land in this friendly community. For accommodation, choose from hotels, motels, B&B's or caravan park.

2 DAY ESPERANCE ESCAPE

Escape to the pure white beaches of Esperance and experience some of the state's most picturesque farmland and historic towns.



Day 1:
Perth to Lake Grace
350km, 4 hours

Slicing through WA's southern regions, take in the green fields and a patchwork of farmland as you head to Williams and on to Arthur River. Stop for lunch in this friendly town known for farming heritage and scenic riverside picnic spots. In the afternoon, journey through the heart of sheep farming territory to Kookerlin or Lake Grace. Along the way you'll see Wagin's Giant Ram and Museum Village, Lake Dumbleyung, the town of Kookerlin and also stop in at Cambinata Yabbie Farm. Stay overnight in Mary's Cottages in Kookerlin or at Lake Grace's hotel, motel or caravan park.

Day 2:
Lake Grace to Esperance
370km, 4 hours

In the morning visit the Australian Inland Mission Hospital – a museum showcasing the work of the Royal Flying Doctor Service. Take in the views across massive Lake Grace before heading to Lake King. The drive is studded with salt lakes, wildflowers and bushland. Visit the historic mining town of Ravensthorpe, and stop for a swim at Munglinup before arriving in Esperance. There is plenty of accommodation to choose from here. Stay a while and explore superb national parks and secluded white sandy beaches.

2 DAY GOLDEN PIPELINE HERITAGE TRAIL

Hit the road to adventure and the wild west on a journey along the Golden Pipeline Heritage Trail from Perth to Kalgoorlie.



Day 1:
Perth to Merredin
260km, 3 hours

From Mundaring follow the route of the historic water pipeline, built more than 100 years ago – and still the longest fresh water pipeline on earth.

Enjoy scenic farmscapes and nature walks, and explore historic water pump stations and lookouts during the journey to Merredin.

Stay overnight at a motel or hotel in this friendly farming community where you'll also find seasonal wildflowers and warm hospitality.

Day 2:
Merredin to Kalgoorlie
340km, 3.5 hours

Head east to the Goldfields, stopping at Southern Cross where gold was first discovered in the late 1800s.

On the way to Coolgardie and Kalgoorlie-Boulder, you'll see gold rush ruins, interpretive displays and stunning springtime wildflowers.

Spend the night or a few days in Kalgoorlie, the hub of WA's gold mining industry with plenty of historic tales, magnificent architecture and lively nightlife.

3 DAY MONSIGNOR HAWES TRAIL

Learn about WA's religious architecture taking in New Norcia and the eclectic designs of Monsignor Hawes - best known for creating Catholic churches throughout the region.



Day 1: Perth to New Norcia 130km, 2 hours

Head off through springtime wildflowers to New Norcia, Australia's only monastic town. This peaceful place is home to a community of Benedictine monks and famous for its Spanish architecture and collection of religious art works – not to mention gourmet breads and olive oil. Check out the Museum and Art Gallery, take a walking tour and enjoy a cooling drink on the wide verandah of the New Norcia Hotel. Stay overnight in the hotel, or check into the quiet retreat of Monastery Guesthouse.

Day 2: New Norcia to Morawa 370km, 4 hours

This morning, join the monks in prayer before heading north to Moora, stopping to take in local heritage architecture on the Town Walk. Wildflowers colour the drive to Carnamah during spring. Enjoy lunch here before arriving in Perenjori to see the Monsignor Hawes-designed Church of Saint Joseph and check out the Peoples Pathway, with 22 cut out panels. This church is typical of the Monsignors style. Perenjori is also home to the famous and unique Wreath Leschenaultia which appears during September and October.

Continue to Morawa and visit the Church of the Holy Cross, also designed by Monsignor Hawes. Accommodation is available at the local hotel/motel, caravan park and farm stays.

Day 3: Morawa to Geraldton 350km, 4 hours

Drive north to historic Yalgoo, with its well-preserved colonial architecture and rich gold mining heritage. Spend time exploring the museum, Court House and Dominican Chapel of St Hyacinth, designed by Monsignor Hawes.

From Yalgoo, head west towards the coast, stopping at Mullewa's beautiful Monsignor Hawes church. Continue to Geraldton, where Monsignor Hawes was a pioneer priest and architect in the diocese between the wars. One of his most important buildings is located in the port city – the St Francis Xavier Cathedral, which was built in a style known as California Mission.

* Overnight stopping locations are suggestions only, please feel free to plan your own exciting itinerary.

3 DAY NORTHERN WHEATBELT WONDERS

Meander north of Perth and experience a perfect northern Wheatbelt wildflower and nature getaway.



Day 1: Perth to Wongan via Calingiri 183km, 2.5 hours

Leave Perth and head for Wongan Hills. On the way why not check out the walks and local produce in Chittering and the Bindoon Bakery. Call in to Rica Erickson and Old Plains Road reserves on the way to Calingiri then explore Lake Ninan. Wongan Hills has various nature reserves with an abundance of wildflowers and fauna as well as walk trails, a museum and other sites to be explored. Stay overnight in the local hotel, guest house or caravan park.

Day 2: Wongan Hills to Moora via Dalwallinu 165km, 2 hours

Head north to Dalwallinu where Wreath Leschenaultia blooms in several sites just out of town. Visit Dalwallinu Discovery Centre for information on attractions and wildflowers in season. Head south to Moora where the town clock and splendid murals welcome you. Stay overnight in the local hotel, motel, B&B's or caravan park.

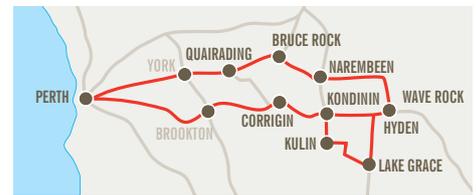
Day 3: Moora to Perth via New Norcia 171km, 2.5 hours

Morning short walk along Carnaby Cockatoo Interpretive Walk Trail. Spot one of magnificent birds and discover the flora and fauna of area. Before heading back to Perth experience the Western Wildflower Farm at Coomberdale (20 km north), where you can take a tour to see, touch and smell wildflowers, or on the way back visit New Norcia, Australia's own monastic town.



3 DAY PATHWAYS TO WAVE ROCK

Visit one of Australia's best known natural icons Wave Rock, on this three-day trip exploring the changing landscape and charming farming communities.



Day 1: Perth to Hyden (Wave Rock) 340km, 4 hours

Head east from Perth, through picturesque farmland to Corrigin (famous for its Dog in a Ute and Dog Cemetery!). At Karlgarin visit Tressie's Museum & Caravan Park with display of olden day memorabilia and gramophones. Enjoy lunch at one of the local restaurants or cafes before taking the short drive to Wave Rock. This 15 metre high, 110 metre long granite cliff is shaped remarkably like a wave. Scientists believe it has taken more than 2.7 billion years of weather, water and chemical erosion to create.

In the afternoon visit natural attractions of Hippo's Yawn and Mulka's Cave – home to Aboriginal art. Stay overnight at one of the local motels, cottages, caravan park or backpacker hostel.

Day 2: Hyden to Bruce Rock 305km, 3.5 hours

Head south to Lake Grace with its winery, salt lakes and historic Inland Mission Hospital. Perhaps travel to Kukerin to visit Cambinata Yabbies before heading onto Kulin, popular for its annual Bush Races. You can't miss the Tin Horse Highway – a series of brightly coloured tin horses which welcome visitors to town.

Travel north to the sheep and wheat farming community of Kondinin. Take in 360° views of the surrounding land from Yeerakine Rock before continuing to Bruce Rock. Visit the local museum and Australia's smallest bank at nearby Shackleton.

The 45 minute drive west to Kokerbin Rock offers spectacular views of the surrounding countryside. Stay overnight at the motel, caravan park or hotel and enjoy a pub meal and warm hospitality.

Day 3: Bruce Rock to Perth 250km, 2.5 hours

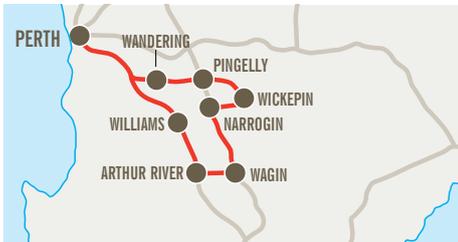
Take a leisurely drive through farm pastures to the historic town of York in time for lunch at one of the colonial-style hotels. This place oozes history – enjoy a town walk before making the journey back to Perth.



1 St Gertrude's, New Norcia 2 Explore Wave Rock near Hyden

3 Day Winery, Woodlands and Wheatbelt Trail

Drive through picturesque farmland to Wheatbelt wineries, take superb nature walks and view local nocturnal wildlife and granite outcrops. This self drive is the perfect escape from the everyday.



Day 1: Perth to Narrogin, via Wandering, Pingelly and Wickepin 267km, 3 hours

Head south down Albany Highway then turn off to explore the surprising Wheatbelt wineries around Wandering. Perhaps take a leisurely lunch at Tanglefoot then cut across to historical Pingelly perhaps with a drive to Boyagin Rock or Tutanning Reserve one of the richest conservation areas in WA (not suitable for vans).

Drive 57kms to Wickepin and explore Albert Facey's Homestead and wander the Yarling Brook heritage walk then make your way to Harrismith with its wide variety of wildflowers in season.

Depart Harrismith and travel 68kms via Taarblin Nature Reserve to Narrogin. Overnight in a local hotel, motel, B&B, farmstay or caravan park but this evening be sure to head out to Barna Mia for a nocturnal tour, bookings a must.

Day 2: Narrogin to Wagin 49km, ½ hour

Today explore Narrogin with its heritage streetscapes and pretty gardens, wander Narrogin's Railway Dam or Gnarojin Park then walk the wildflower trail at Foxes Lair or perhaps take in Lake Toolibin home to the endangered freckled duck. Visit Donderry Wines or if you feel energetic climb Yilliminning or Birdwhistle Rock before driving some 50km south to the merino sheep farming centre of Wagin. The Giant Ram welcomes you to town – the biggest in the southern hemisphere. Stay overnight in a local hotel, motel or caravan park.

Day 3: Wagin to Perth, via Arthur River & Williams. 236km, 2.5 hours

This morning take in the Wagin Historical Village for an up close view of the town's pioneering past then drive the 30km to Arthur River with its unique 'Rarebits on Burrowes' shop. In season beautiful wildflowers bloom at Boronia Reserve. Drive north to Williams with its 1km Heritage Trail walk and The Williams Woolshed, displaying a fine range of woollen garments, local wines and have a coffee at The Shed Café. Explore the history of the wool industry in The Shearer's Yarn.

Leaving Williams, head towards Perth and take in the Williams Nature Reserve located 10km northwest of the town before completing this itinerary back in 'the city'.

3 Day Wildflower Way

Come drive this newly developed wildflower trail from Dalwallinu through the stunning Northern Wheatbelt, finishing in coastal Geraldton. Each spring this country bursts into bloom with 'carpets' of everlasting into through to the unique wreath flower.



Day 1: Perth to Dalwallinu 251km, 3 hours

Depart Perth and head north through the Swan Valley, then up the Great Northern Highway to New Norcia, a Benedictine Monastery town. Along the way make sure you stop at the Bindoon Bakery for morning tea. After sightseeing New Norcia, travel through wide open vistas to the delightful town of Dalwallinu, home of wheat and wattle. This afternoon call into the Dalwallinu Discovery Centre for updates on local wildflower locations. Stay overnight in the local hotel, motel, caravan park or B&B.

Day 2: Dalwallinu to Morawa 149km, 2 hours

Today head further north and inspect nearly half of the 21 interpretive sites along the Wildflower Way. Visit locations such as Wubin, Buntine Rock, Latham and Caron Dam before calling into the Wheatbelt town of Perenjori, which has so much to see and do in the area. Perhaps then continue onto the town of Morawa for your overnight accommodation. Stay in the local hotel, motel, caravan park or farmstays.

Day 3: Morawa to Geraldton 197km, 2.5 hours

This is the final day on the Wildflower Way. Inspect some 11 interpretive sites before your arrival in Geraldton. Along the way stop in the town of Mullewa and call into the local Visitor Centre. Also take the 600m walk through the legacy of Monsignor John Hawes. This afternoon, drive the 100kms to Geraldton stopping at the remaining 4 interpretive sites. Large range of Geraldton accommodation available, hotels, motels and caravan parks. More information on the Wildflower Way can be found at www.wildflowercountry.com.au

4 Day Wheatbelt Way

The brand new Wheatbelt Way is a fascinating experience starting in Dowerin and spanning 800 kilometres with 24 interpretive sites. Extra information can be found at www.wheatbeltway.com.au



Day 1: Perth to Wyalkatchem 214km, 3 hours

Depart Perth and head to Dowerin then join the brand new Wheatbelt Way. Make sure you pat Rusty the tin dog, the first site on this route. Head to Minnivale and Naaning Well, then Wyalkatchem to see Korrelocking Reserve and Wyalkatchem Well. Stay overnight in a hotel, B&B, caravan park or camping.

Day 2: Wyalkatchem to Beringbooding 252km, 3.5 hours

Head north through the towns of Koorda, Bencubbin and Beacon, inspecting sites that include Koorda Native Flora Reserve, Pergande Sheep Yards and Marshall and Billburning Rock. From Beacon head due-east past other fascinating rock formations such as Beringbooding and Elachbutting. Stay overnight in a B&B, caravan park or free camp site.

Day 3: Beringbooding to Mukinbudin 210km, 3 hours

Today head south to historic Westonia and visit Sandford Rocks and Boodalin Soak. Head to Mukinbudin visiting Weira Gnamma Hole and Wattoning historical site. Stay overnight in a hotel, caravan park or free camp site.

Day 4: Mukinbudin to Perth 323km, 4 hours

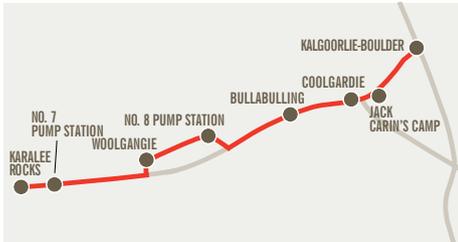
Final day on the Wheatbelt Way. Visit site 20, Mangowine Homestead, a beautiful historic building built in 1876 and filled with antiques and memorabilia. Travel on to see other historic gnamma holes and wells and the Yelbeni Townsite Museum before travelling back to Dowerin and overnighting, or heading the 167km back to Perth.



Fun at Elachbutting Rock

2 Day Steel River Run

The Golden Pipeline bringing water to Kalgoorlie is one of the world's great engineering feats. Spend 2 days exploring this part of CY O'Connor's water scheme. Some dirt road, but suitable for 2WD.



Day 1: Kalgoorlie/Coolgardie/Karalee Rocks 174km, 2 hours

Drive from Kalgoorlie via Jack Carins' Camp to Coolgardie where a range of fascinating sites will keep you a while – Warden Finnelly's, the Coolgardie Museum and the cemetery to name a few.

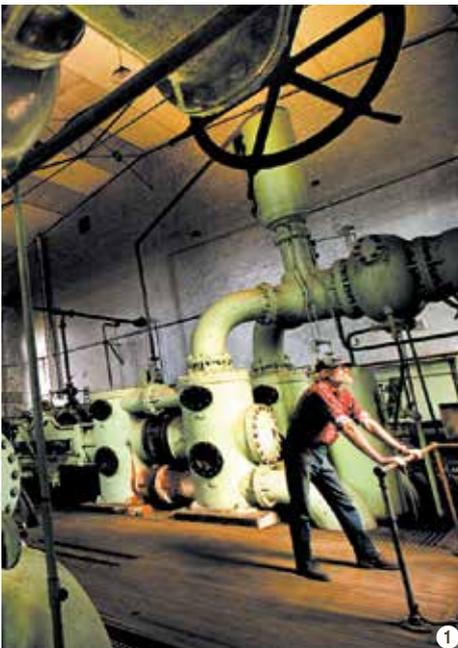
From here the Great Eastern Highway takes you through Bullabulling and on to No 8 steam pump station, the last in line on CYO'Connor's Golden Pipeline.

Travel further along the pipeline heading west to Karalee Rocks.

Karalee Rocks is famous for the historic Karalee Flume and water catchment area. This is a beautiful spot to camp under the trees or overnight in your caravan or motorhome.

Day 2: Karalee Rocks to Kalgoorlie 174km, 2 hours

In the morning take the walk trails around Karalee Rocks before departing. Head to visit the site of No 7 Pump Station before returning to Kalgoorlie to visit Mount Charlotte, the end of the line for the water from Mundaring.



2 Day Eyre Highway & Nullarbor Links

This is one of Australia's great road adventures! Crossing the country from the east to west, through the vast arid interior and along the Great Australian Bight, the Nullarbor Plain is the ultimate outback adventure.



Day 1: Eucla to Balladonia 500km, 5.5 hours

The Nullarbor Plain is the world's biggest single piece of limestone at 200,000 km². Make your way west across this amazing feat of nature – driving from Eucla near the border between South Australia and Western Australia along the Eyre Highway. At Eucla take the 3km detour to the beach then descend and travel the scenic lower plain via Mundrabilla to Madura Roadhouse and its lookout over the surrounding tablelands. Perhaps drive to Eyre Bird Observatory (4WD only). This area is home to more than 240 species of birds, many of which are rare and endangered.

Stop for lunch and play a hole at Cocklebiddy, famous for its cave systems. You'll find a roadhouse, golf hole and fuel stop at Caiguna before hitting the longest straight stretch of road in the world – all 146.6 kilometres of it! Its common name is the 90 Mile Straight. After this spectacular drive you've earned a restful night at the Balladonia Roadhouse.

Day 2: Balladonia to Kalgoorlie 380km, 4 hours

This morning play a hole, check out the local museum, home to the remnants of Skylab, a former space station that crashed to earth near Balladonia in 1979. The journey continues through low shrub and make sure you play the 'Sheep's Back' at Fraser Range before arriving in Norseman – the first major town on the WA side of the Nullarbor Plain and the end of the Eyre Highway. Stop for a picnic lunch at Beacon Hill Lookout, which provides views of the town, surrounding countryside and salt lakes. Drive either north to the gold mining hub of Kalgoorlie and then continue to Perth, or head south to Esperance and return to Perth via the Great South West Edge.



11 Day The Great South West Edge

Drive one of Australia's 15 most fascinating landscapes, between Busselton and Esperance. This unique region comprises Margaret River wineries/caves, South West forests and Tree Top Walk, historic coastal towns and many picturesque National Parks.



Day 1-3: Perth/Busselton/Margaret River 277km, 4 hours

Leave Perth heading south through coastal Bunbury and Busselton, to famous Margaret River. Base yourself here for 3 nights exploring wineries, coastal scenery, beaches, caves and wonderful local townships.

Day 4: Margaret River/Pemberton 143km, 2 hours

Leave Margaret River and head to Pemberton, home of the giant Karri forests and an emerging wine producing area. Make time to visit the Warren National Park.

Days 5-6: Pemberton/Albany 239km, 4 hours

Depart Pemberton and head south via the Shannon, D'entrecasteaux and Walpole-Nornalup N. Parks. Be sure to take The Tree Top Walk near Walpole. Wander picturesque Denmark before arriving in Albany, staying 2 nights. Spend the second day exploring Albany and its many natural coastal attractions.

Day 7: Albany/Hopetoun 352km, 4 hours

Travel from Albany via the Porongurup and Stirling N. Parks to the coastal town of Hopetoun, located near Fitzgerald River N Park. Overnight in a local caravan park or motel.

Days 8-9: Hopetoun/Esperance 193km, 2.5 hours

Enter the Fitzgerald River N. Park and drive along the new scenic coastal roads with wonderful interpretive sites. Travel east to beautiful Esperance located on a Bay of Islands. Stay two nights and make the 40 minute drive to Cape Le Grand N. Park with the kangaroos on Australia's whitest beach at Lucky Bay. On the way call in and see Esperance Stonehenge.

Day 10: Esperance/Wave Rock 382km, 4 hours

Depart Esperance and head north to Hyden and the amazing 3 billion year old Wave Rock and other attractions in the area like Mulka's Cave with ancient Aboriginal hand stencil art. Overnight in the motel or caravan park.

Day 11: Wave Rock/Kulin/Perth 391km, 4.5 hours

Depart Wave Rock and head to Kulin via The Tin Horse Highway with its funny horse based figures all placed alongside farmers fences. From here head to the historic town of York in the Darling Ranges, wander the historic streetscape before heading into Perth.

1 The Golden Pipeline's No 8 steam pump station 2 Play the world's longest golf course, The Nullarbor Links

2 Day Granite Woodlands & Discovery Trail

Linking Hyden (Wave Rock) to Norseman, explore pristine landscape – home to one of the world's greatest untouched temperate woodlands, with 16 designated stopping places.



Day 1: Hyden to the Breakaways Campsite 137km, 2-3 hours

Spend time at Wave Rock – this amazing feat of nature was millions of years in the making. Hit the dirt road east towards Norseman – much of the trail is gravel, but it is suitable for two-wheel drives and caravans. Take in the long views and springtime wildflowers as you pass across the Holland Track.

Sandy heathland gives way to nickel and gold mining land around Forrestania Plots. You know you're in the outback if you spot a bush turkey, dingo or some of the more elusive native animals like honey and pigmy possums, which are sometimes seen around Grevillea Hill. From here the landscape changes to mallee woodland and eucalypts.

Explore rocky outcrops and cliffs of The Breakaways. Roll out your swag at the campground here for a night spent under an amazing star-filled sky.

Day 2: The Breakaways Campsite to Norseman 165km, 2-3 hours

You'll see eucalypts, sandy heathlands, hakea and flame grevillea as you set off east towards Mermaid Rock. This is a great spot for a picnic, rest break, or a leg stretch along the walk trail.

Take in the vista at Lake Johnson and Lake Viewpoint. A spectacular open woodland of salmon gum trees awaits.

Continue to Disappointment Rock and walk the 2 kilometre trail around and over the outcrop. The next 40 kilometre stretch passes through an ever-changing landscape – from mallee woodland to mallee scrub, sandy shrub and stands of eucalypts.

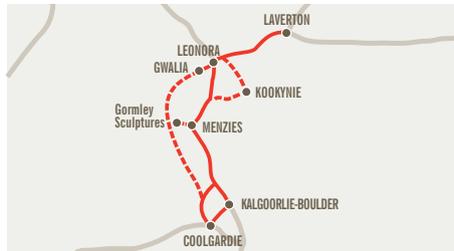
Rolling rocky hills and abandoned mine shafts dot the landscape to Lake Cowan. The Woodlands Walk in Norseman completes the trail. Spend some time soaking up the mining heritage and exploring the salt lakes of Norseman.



1 Hippo's Yawn Cave, part of Wave Rock

3 Day Golden Quest Discovery Trail

For a true Aussie outback adventure, hit the road and discover ghost towns and rugged scenery, meet the local characters and hear tales of fortunes made and lost.



Day 1: Coolgardie to Kookynie 350km, 4 hours

The adventure begins in Coolgardie – visit gold rush museums before heading north east along the trail, passing through Ora Banda and Goongarrie to Menzies. Stop for lunch at the local hotel then drive to Lake Ballard and the remarkable Antony Gormley sculptures that rise from a remote salt lake at Snake Hill. Continue north, stopping at Niagara Dam before arriving in Kookynie, where you could try your hand at fossicking for gold. You'll find the local population of just 13, who you're likely to meet at the Grand Hotel, have plenty of yarns to tell! Stay at the hotel or there's also a caravan park.

Day 2: Kookynie to Leonora 67km, 1 hour

For a real adventure immerse yourself in the outback and take the unsealed road to Leonora. Today's highlight is the ghost town of Gwalia. This rustic historic precinct oozes gold rush charm. Visit Gwalia Museum, site of historic Hoover House, once home to the former American President, Herbert Hoover, who managed the local mine. Visitors can stay overnight in this restored residence, or continue to Leonora where there are hotels, motels and backpacker accommodation.

Day 3: Leonora to Kalgoorlie-Boulder 235km, 2.5 hours

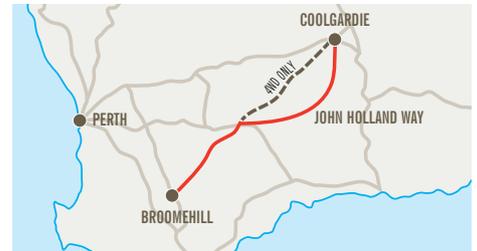
Take the western trail through stunning outback landscapes and seasonal wildflowers to the mining hub of Kalgoorlie-Boulder. Be sure to stock up on fuel and food supplies before setting off into the Aussie outback. After a day on the road you've earned a cold drink on the wide verandah of one of the many hotels in Kalgoorlie-Boulder. Accommodation-wise you're spoilt for choice – hotels, resorts, motels, backpacker lodges and caravan parks are on offer.



2

3 Day John Holland Track & Way

Seize the spirit of adventure and head off along this 600km track, connecting Broomehill and Coolgardie. Carved out through rugged bushland by pioneer John Holland and his party, the track takes you deep into the Aussie outback.



Day 1: Broomehill to Newdegate 200km, 2.5 hours

For a dose of John Holland history, visit the museum at Broomehill before hitting the road towards the town of Nyabing.

You'll pass by Lake Grace, a shallow salt lake with a superb lookout over the surrounding countryside and springtime wildflowers.

Continue through rich farmland, taking in Holland Soak and Silver Wattle Hill before arriving in the town of Newdegate, known for its natural reserves and friendly hospitality.

Stay overnight at the Holland Track Farm which offers guided and camping tours.

Day 2: Newdegate to Breakaways Camping Area or Sandalwood Camp Approx 220km, 3-4 hours

Explore Emu Rock before crossing the Rabbit Proof Fence. If you're in a two-wheel drive, continue along the John Holland Way towards Coolgardie – stay overnight at the Breakaways Camping area.

For a real outback four-wheel adventure, there's the option of the Holland Track beginning in Hyden. This route slices through natural bushland and past stunning rock formations. Camp out under the stars at Sandalwood Camp.

Day 3: John Holland Way to Breakaways camping area to Coolgardie Approx 250km, 4-5 hours

or

Holland Track to Sandalwood Camp to Coolgardie Approx 220km, 5-6 hours

Today we complete our epic journey through the remote outback – enjoy vistas of virgin bush, salt lakes, nature reserves and granite outcrops. The John Holland Way and the Holland Track meet up near Pigeon Hole Rock for the final leg to Coolgardie.

There's plenty of gold rush history and country style hospitality here – spend a few days exploring Coolgardie's rich mining heritage.

4 Day Miners Pathway

Capture the prospecting spirit on this trail through the Murchison's gold rush days. In the late 1800s towns like Mount Magnet, Cue, Meekatharra and Sandstone rocketed to the forefront of WA's gold boom!

Day 1: Paynes Find to Meekatharra 340km, 4 hours

Enjoy the bright bloom of springtime wildflowers before setting off from Paynes Find towards Mount Magnet. Remnants of Mount Magnet's gold mining history are evident in discarded mine shafts, museum and heritage walk trails – but you'll find the mining industry is still alive and well.

From here, head north to Cue, famous for its stunning colonial architecture. Many original buildings are classified by the National Trust and still used for their original purpose. Stay overnight in Meekatharra, known for its friendly hospitality, wildflowers, rocky outcrops and native wildlife.

Day 2: Meekatharra to Sandstone 195km, 2 hours

Hit the dirt road south east to Sandstone, keeping watch for local wildlife including kangaroos and emus. Natural rock formations contrast with the rust stained sandstone which gives the town its name. Stop at London Bridge, an ancient rock formation that was once wide enough to allow a horse and sulky to cross. Stay overnight in the National Hotel, built nearly 100 years ago, or check into the local caravan park.

Day 3: Sandstone to Yalgoo 280km, 3 hours

The journey weaves through the vast open landscape, crossing back through Mount Magnet to the town of Yalgoo. Native wildlife including emus, wedge-tailed eagles and kangaroos are plentiful around the town. Just south of Yalgoo is Joker's Tunnel, carved through solid rock by early prospectors – it's also a great spot to see wildflowers. Stay overnight at one of the nearby sheep stations offering accommodation, or check into the hotel, caravan park or campground in town.

Day 4: Yalgoo to Paynes Find 155km, 2 hours

Head south east across a dirt road to your starting point of Paynes Find. Make time to visit the Gold Battery and Museum, which showcases the region's mining, pastoral and sandalwood industries.



3 Day Kingsford Smith Mail Run

For a slice of Aussie outback history, jump into a four-wheel drive and trace the original overland mail run used in the 1920s from Carnarvon to Meekatharra – and celebrate the pioneering spirit of Australia's most famous pilot, Charles Kingsford Smith.

Day 1: Carnarvon to Mount Augustus 450km, 5 hours

From the historic port town of Carnarvon head east through pastoral land to Gascoyne Junction, where massive sheep stations dot the landscape.

Enjoy a picnic at Gascoyne Junction before setting off for Mount Augustus, a massive monoclone twice the size of Uluru.

Arrive at Mount Augustus in time to watch the sun sink over the granite formation, thought to be 1,750 million years old. Don't miss a photo at sunset - Emu Hill Lookout is one of the best spots. Overnight accommodation at Mt Augustus Tourist Park or camp.

Day 2: Mount Augustus to Mount Gould 100km, 1.5 hours

This morning spend some time exploring the rock formations, caves and aboriginal art scattered throughout the area. Wildflowers, birds and wildlife, swimming, fishing and picnic spots make this a true outback adventure destination.

Depart Mount Augustus, and watch it slowly disappear from the landscape as you head south for Gascoyne River at Landor.

Follow the current mail route via Mount Gould and the Mount Gould Lock Up. Find a spot along the way and pitch your tent for a night spent under a brilliant night sky.

Day 3: Mount Gould to Meekatharra 160km, 2 hours

Journey south through the vast, timeless landscape, to the gold mining town of Meekatharra. Spend time learning more about the town's mining past, as well as its indigenous heritage, on the Meeka Rangelands Discovery Walk Trail.

Rocky outcrops, native wildlife and wildflowers bring the town to life. Stay overnight in one of the hotels or the caravan park.



3 Day Wool Wagon Pathway

Offering the best of the Aussie outback and amazing marine adventures – this trail travels through some of WA's legendary sheep and wool country before heading to the coast. Expect star-filled night skies, vivid sunsets and lively country characters.

Day 1: Geraldton to Murchison Settlement 400km, 4 hours

Leave the bustling port city of Geraldton behind as you head east through the town of Pindar. Hit the red dirt road and journey through a timeless landscape to Murchison Settlement. This is the real Australian landscape – open space, historic homesteads and plenty of wildlife. Get a taste for life on the land by bunking down at a working sheep or cattle property – or stay at the settlement's roadhouse, caravan park or camp ground.

Day 2: Murchison Settlement to Gascoyne Junction 300km, 3 hours

Head north, stopping at the natural spring of Bilung Pool. Seashell fossils south of Gascoyne Junction point to the epic history of the natural landscape. Nestled on the banks of the Gascoyne River, the town is a centre for local sheep and wheat stations. A brand new Junction Pub and roadhouse has opened, an ideal place to overnight with bar, accommodation, caravan park & fuel available.

Day 3: Gascoyne Junction to Exmouth 611km, 7 hours

Take in the beauty of the Kennedy Ranges, which run north from Gascoyne Junction and boast springs, spectacular cliffs, canyons and wildlife. Continue north, deviating towards the coast and the town of Exmouth. Here, coastal breezes and stunning white beaches contrast against the rugged red earth.

Explore stunning Ningaloo Reef, and spend a few days here relaxing on the beach – or from late April to June go swimming with the biggest fish in the world, the whale shark.



1 Try your luck prospecting on the Miners Pathway 2 Visit the stunning Mt Augustus

Are you up for the challenge?



Nullarbor Links

The World's Longest Golf Course



This unique 18-hole par 72 golf course spans 1,365 kilometres with one hole in each participating town or roadhouse along the Eyre Highway from Kalgoorlie in Western Australia to Ceduna in South Australia. Each hole includes a synthetic green, tee and somewhat rugged outback-style natural terrain fairway. The course provides visitors with a quintessential Australian golfing experience that is unmatched anywhere in the world.

Nullarbor Links takes you on a drive to Australia's famous oyster beds at Ceduna, the wheat and sheep farming districts at Penong and Nundroo. You venture past

migrating whales and beautiful coastline at Nullarbor, to arrive at the beaches at Eucla. See "Skylab" at Balladonia and the working sheep station at Fraser Range. The indigenous art and dance of Ngadju people in Norseman features strongly in National and International appeal. Nickel mining and land sailing at Kambalda and then finally arriving at Australia's gold capital, Kalgoorlie.

Don't miss out on being part of this unique golfing experience, by playing our annual tournament "Chasing the Sun". Watch the website for details of our next event in April every year.

Scorecards are available from Ceduna, Norseman or Kalgoorlie Goldfields Visitor Centres.

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CANNING Stock Route



Traversing the Gibson and Great Sandy Deserts, the Canning Stock Route is known for being the longest stock route in the world and the most challenging 4WD journey in Australia.

Stretching 2,013 kilometres (including side trips), the Canning Stock Route links Wiluna and Halls Creek and is an adventurer's delight as it takes you across a spectacular yet isolated landscape that is rich in pioneering history.

100 YEARS OF HISTORY

The route was surveyed by Albert Canning in 1906 and 1907, to later develop the route between 1908 and 1910. A total of 51 wells were constructed along the 1,850 kilometre route, marking a day's travel between each point. By 1929 a reconstruction team was contracted to make repairs to broken down wells and equipment, however this was not completed and the route was subsequently claimed inapt for its original purpose.

During World War II, the Stock Route was reconstructed and repaired, awaiting an expected attack on the northern areas of Western Australia.

Today, the route is frequented by 4WD enthusiasts travelling for the ultimate outback experience rather than the excitement of reaching the destination.



Water well on the Canning Stock Route

TIPS FOR CANNING STOCK ROUTE TRAVELLERS

Fuel & Other Supplies - Wiluna, Kunawarritju Community (Well 33), Billiluna Community and Halls Creek.

When to travel - April to September.

Water - Take lots of water for drinking purposes and for your vehicle. Well water is of a poor quality, therefore it is suggested that you carry additional water supplies with you.

- Take emergency medications, equipment and communication devices, and ensure that at least one person in your party is able to administer first-aid if necessary.
- Please note that there is an airstrip near the track at Well 33 with regular RFDS nurse support. There are also other airstrips located at each pastoral lease to the south, at Cotton Creek (100 kilometres west of Well 23) and at the Billiluna community.
- Carry a sand flag for times when travelling across sand dune country, to avoid colliding with other vehicles.
- Carry, at minimum, an auto-scanning UHF radio. The recommended station for communication is Channel 40.
- Travel only in small convoys as larger groups can be slower and too far spread for easy communication.
- The section between Wells 2 and 5 is closed to all vehicles towing trailers and 'oversize' vehicles such as Okas or Akas. If travelling in a larger vehicle or towing a trailer, you will need to take an alternative route via Glenayle or Granite Peak Stations.
- Permits are required for travel between wells 5-51. For exact details and how to apply visit www.anfwdc.asn.au

The Canning Stock Route is one of the most isolated 4WD tracks in the world and as such it is not recommended that you attempt to travel the track without extensive outback travel experience and a very safe and reliable vehicle with sufficient supplies.

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More info visit
www.canningstockrouteproject.com/digital-futures/one-road/

Along the Route you will encounter Aboriginal rock art and carvings, waterholes, gorges, natural springs and soaks, and an Aboriginal community.

IMPORTANT CONTACTS

Shire of Wiluna (See page 35)
PO Box 38, Wiluna WA 6646
Tel: (08) 9981 8000

Shire of East Pilbara
PMB Box 22, Newman WA 6753
Tel: (08) 9175 8000

Shire of Halls Creek
PO Box 21, Halls Creek WA 6770
Tel: (08) 9168 6007

Department of Main Roads
Tel: 138 138 (24 hours)
www.mainroads.wa.gov.au

Royal Flying Doctor Service Meekatharra
Tel: (08) 9981 1107

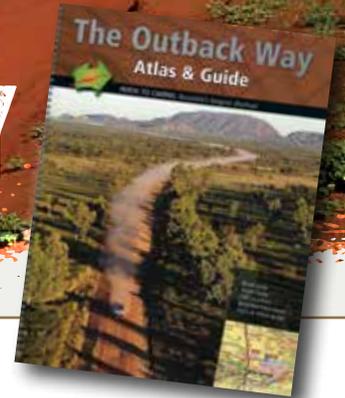
Kunawarritju Aboriginal Community (Well 33)
Tel: (08) 9176 9040

Billiluna Aboriginal Community (Halls Creek)
Tel: (08) 9168 8076

Department of Aboriginal Affairs
Ground Floor, 151 Royal Street
East Perth, Western Australia
Tel: (08) 6551 8000



The OUTBACK WAY



The Outback Way crosses central Australia and is fast becoming one of the must-see and must-do touring routes. The road links Laverton in the Golden Outback's Goldfields to Winton in Queensland via Uluru (Ayers Rock) and Alice Springs.

The 2,800 kilometre Outback Way offers an awe-inspiring journey through some of the most attractive and remote desert areas. Learn about ancient Aboriginal culture, life in the Outback, and the natural environment of Australia's central desert. The route itself is mostly gravel and it's advisable to travel in a high clearance 4WD vehicle, as conditions can include sand drifts and corrugations. The Outback Way is graded regularly and is usually acceptable for towing offroad caravans and trailers.

OUTBACK WAY GEOCACHE TRAIL

The Outback Way-Finder Geocache Trail has 34 'hidden' caches each branded with a distinctive Way-Finder label. The location (coordinates) of each cache can be found at www.geocaching.com and the details can be printed before driving. At most cache sites, visitors are encouraged to take short walks focusing on local flora, wildflowers, woodlands,

geological features, waterholes, historical sites and vantage points. Essential items for geocaching include a handheld GPS, spare batteries, compass, pen, trinkets, water, hat, sunscreen and cache notes. Way-finder Cache Kits are available for purchase at fuel stops along the Outback Way but you must bring a handheld GPS. Visit www.outbackway.org.au for further information and happy hunting!

ABORIGINAL LAND PERMITS

Secure Aboriginal Land Permits prior to departure. Please see the section on Tips and Travel Information on page 102. Permits are essential for travel on Aboriginal lands and application forms are available from any Dept of Aboriginal Affairs office or on the internet at www.daa.wa.gov.au

Department of Aboriginal Affairs

Ground Floor, 151 Royal Street,
East Perth, Western Australia
Tel: (08) 6551 8000 Fax (08) 6551 8088
Tel: 1300 651 077 (to regional DAA Office)

Central Land Council

PO Box 3321 Alice Springs NT 0871
Tel: (08) 8951 6211
Fax: (08) 8953 4343
www.clc.org.au

Get the Guide!

The Outback Way Atlas and Guide is available from outlets along the route or wherever Hema maps are sold. For more information visit the Outback Way Development Council Council website at www.outbackway.org.au or for travel tips see page 102.





The GOLDFIELDS



Top things to see

The discovery of gold in Western Australia in the 1890s heralded a population explosion as fortune-seekers from around the globe descended on the Goldfields region to cash in on its natural bounty.

Life was rough and tough for these early gold diggers, with disease rife and lawlessness commonplace. And while multi-million dollar mining corporations have replaced the early diggers, the region retains the sense of adventure, the character and the romance of the early gold rush.

This is particularly true in Kalgoorlie-Boulder. Although the twin city is now a bustling and expanding place that offers a contemporary and cosmopolitan lifestyle, its collection of historical buildings, pubs, infamous Hay Street brothels and attractions provide a rich backdrop that spans more than a century of gold history.

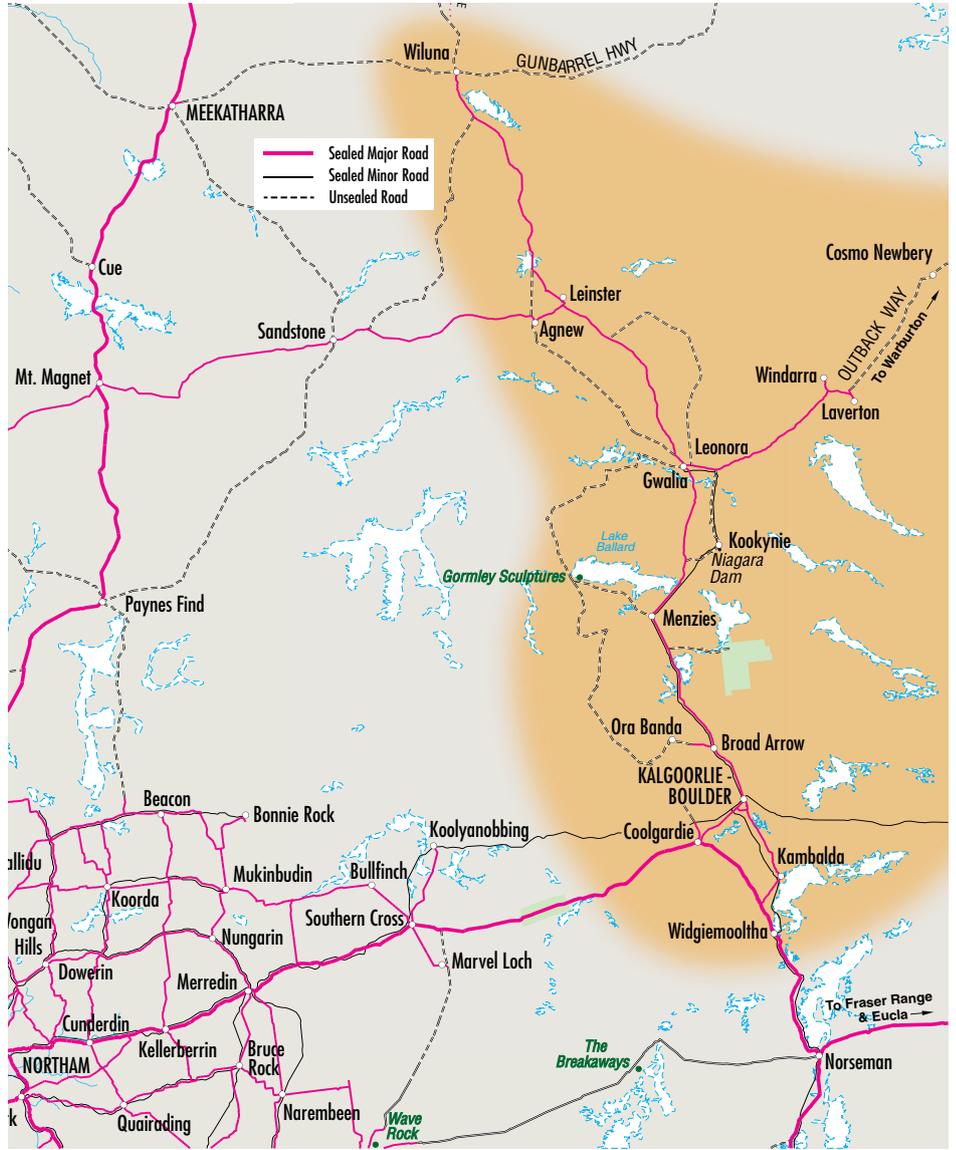
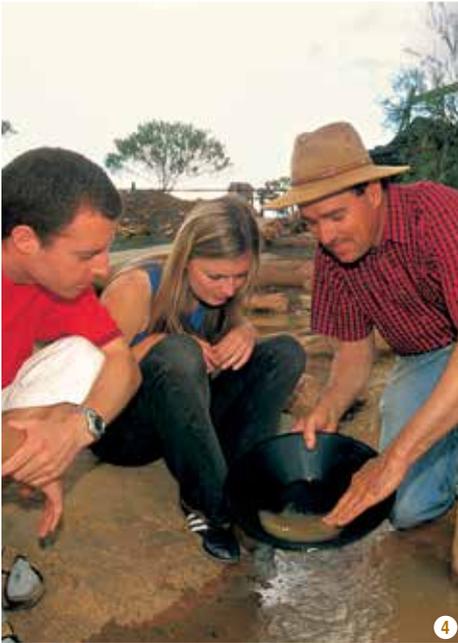
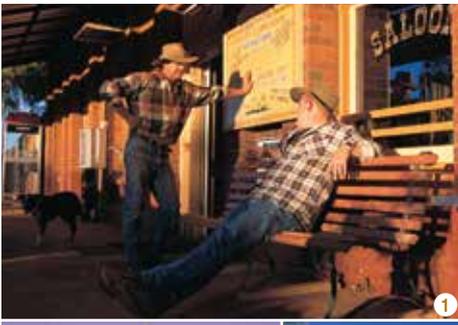
To gain a taste for this gold rush history, start your journey in Kalgoorlie-Boulder by visiting the West Australian Museum at the top end of

Hannan Street or visit Hannans North Tourist Mine to wander the replica prospectors' village and marvel at the huge Haul Packs. For an appreciation of the sheer scale of modern day mining, visit the Super Pit, one of the largest open-cut mines in the world and forms part of the Golden Mile - said to be the richest square mile of gold bearing earth in the world.

Follow the Golden Quest Discovery Trail, which includes highlights such as the eerie Antony Gormley Sculptures decorating the white, sweeping salt plain at Lake Ballard, near Menzies, and the ghosts of the past at Leonora and Gwalia. Be sure to stop in at Ora Banda Historic Hotel and the Kookynie Grand Hotel for a cold beer in these traditional Aussie Outback pubs. Further along the trail is Laverton, the gateway to the Outback Way.

The gold rush story is evident in many small towns along the Discovery Trail, each one retaining some of that pioneering spirit. This is perhaps most evident at Coolgardie, which was founded in the late 1800s and offers character buildings that are reminiscent of its gold prospecting heyday.

- 1 Wander historic streetscapes
- 2 View & tour the Super Pit
- 3 Visit the house of an American President
- 4 Visit the Gormley Sculptures on the Golden Quest Discovery Trail
- 5 Wander a ghost town in Gwalia
- 6 Have a beer in an Outback pub
- 7 Re-live history, in many museums
- 8 Play the new Graham Marsh designed golf course!
- 9 Pan for gold at Hannans North Tourist Mine
- 10 View a mine shaft through the floor of the Metropole Hotel
- 11 Visit Coolgardie's fascinating Goldfields Exhibition Museum



1 True outback pub, Grand Hotel Kookynie 2 Historic Hannan Street, Kalgoorlie 3 Mazza's Store, Gwalia 4 Pan for gold at Hannans North Tourist Mine

HOW TO GET THERE

By Road:

Kalgoorlie is the transport hub of the Goldfields, with a good network of sealed roads that link Kalgoorlie with Perth, Esperance and the Northern Goldfields, Murchison and Gascoyne.

By Air:

Kalgoorlie-Boulder is serviced by Qantas and Virgin Airlines with multiple daily flights from Perth. Virgin also flies Kalgoorlie to Melbourne.

Skippers flies from Perth to Leonora, Laverton and Wiluna.

Reservations:

Qantas 13 13 13,

Virgin 13 67 89

Skippers 1300 729 924.

By Rail:

Transwa operates the Prospector train, with daily services between Perth and Kalgoorlie. Tel: 1300 662 205. The coast to coast Indian Pacific rail service, travelling between Sydney, Adelaide and Perth, travels through Kalgoorlie weekly in each direction. Tel: 13 21 47.

By Coach:

Goldrush Tours operates a service linking Kalgoorlie-Boulder, Menzies, Leonora and Laverton. Tel: 1800 620 440.



INDEX AND DISTANCE OF TOWNS

Town	Distance from Perth (km)	Page
Coolgardie	557	29
Eucla	1,458	100
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Kalgoorlie-Boulder	596	21
Kambalda	651	29
Kookynie	794	30
Laverton	955	34
Leinster	970	31
Leonora	831	31
Menzies	724	30
Norseman	724	99
Warakurna	1,725	36
Warburton	1,542	36
Wiluna	966	35

CLIMATE

Month	Av temp (°C)
Dec-Feb	32
Mar-May	25
Jun-Aug	18
Sep-Nov	25

GOLDEN QUEST Discovery Trail

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The Golden Quest Discovery Trail, a 965 kilometre self drive adventure in one of the world's most famous gold-producing regions, is an ideal break for all ages.

This terrific trail runs from Coolgardie in the south to Laverton in the north, and passes many sites that are worth taking the time to discover. The Golden Quest Discovery Trail is a popular tourist and four-wheel drive attraction for the WA Goldfields.

The Golden Quest Discovery Trail can be enjoyed in parts or as a whole. Whether you use the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder as a base or plan to set out on a three to four day journey, the experiences found along the trail are sure to be memorable. The www.goldenquesttrail.com website and Guidebook can help you plan your itinerary.

You get the opportunity to trace the steps of some of Australia's greatest explorers. Visit the historical precinct of Gwalia near Leonora and the house commissioned by Herbert Hoover, 31st President of the United States, and spend some time in the extraordinary atmosphere at Lake Ballard near Menzies, where renowned sculptor Antony Gormley has placed 51 sculptures in a remote salt lake setting.

The recently opened Leonora Loop Trails are a great way to see the sights, and soak up the stories of the Leonora Shire.

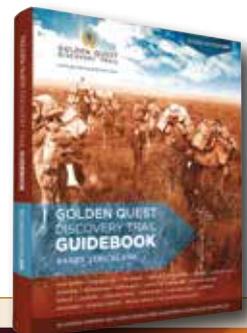
These two self drive trails, have two very different themes; The Agnew Loop focuses on the social history of the area, while the Darlot Loop will see you travel through the many and varied landscapes of the north east Goldfields. This trail is an excellent accompaniment to the Golden Quest Discovery Trail.

If you like to go bush, then the new Green Trail/Great Western Woodlands links sites in the Coolgardie bioregion with outstanding environmental, historical and cultural significance.

For further information on The Green Trail, visit www.goldenquesttrail.com

GOLDEN QUEST DISCOVERY TRAIL GUIDEBOOK

A definite advantage if considering the Trail! At just \$39.95 it provides a fascinating insight into one of the most exciting periods of Australia's development, with full colour sections on each of the 25 sites plus times and distances between sites, a detailed map and downloadable audio tracks with dramatised stories of the gold rush era. The Guidebook can be purchased from WA Visitor Centre, Visitor Centres along the trail, or requested online at www.goldenquesttrail.com



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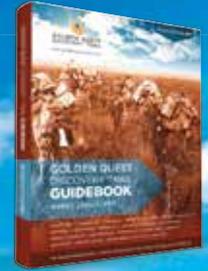
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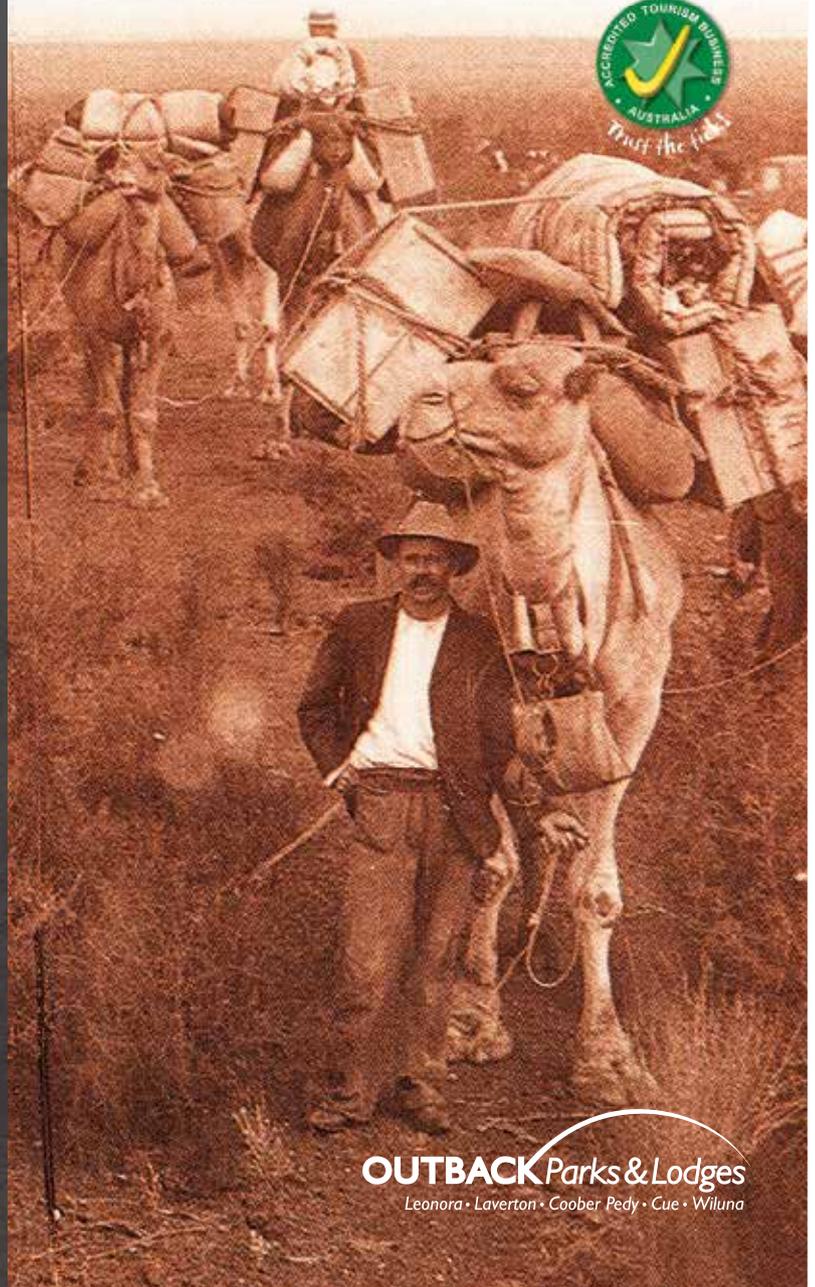
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CITY OF KALGOORLIE-Boulder

Population 30,000

KALGOORLIE-Boulder



596km east of Perth

Kalgoorlie-Boulder is a dynamic and cosmopolitan city, with the largest population of any regional city in Western Australia - around 30,000 people living within 95,000 square kilometres. The City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder is also the largest city in the Australian Outback. The City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder is rich with heritage and history, and complemented by thriving and modern city facilities and services.

The magnificent Town Halls, located in Kalgoorlie and Boulder, offer visitors a rewarding cultural experience. The Boulder Town Hall is home to the world-renowned Phillip Goatcher stage curtain, one of the few examples of his work left in the world.

The Kalgoorlie Town Hall is home to the Kalgoorlie Boulder Pure Gold Visitor Centre, which offers tourists a comprehensive range of information. It boasts a wide ranging display of art works, memorabilia and historically significant pieces, and visitors are invited to explore the Town Hall, including the original Council Chambers, still used by Elected Members today.

Kalgoorlie-Boulder offers wonderful parkland facilities including the magnificent Hammond Park and Kingsbury Park, with recreational activities for all ages. All of the City's parks and reserves provide a perfect venue for picnics and family outings.

Karkurla Parkland, located in the north of the City, offers a wonderful bush-walking experience. A visit to the lookout tower will provide a magnificent and unique view of Kalgoorlie-Boulder.

Kalgoorlie-Boulder also boasts a world class aquatic facility, the Goldfields Oasis, which is open throughout the year and offers a heated indoor pool, child-friendly swimming areas, playgrounds, a fully equipped gymnasium and indoor and outdoor playing fields.

Oasis Stage 3 features Western Australia's only FlowRider™, a 10 metre high waterslide, and a rapid river. This unique new facility makes Kalgoorlie-Boulder an even better place to live, work and play.



1 Hannan Street Kalgoorlie 2 Gold panning demonstration at Hannans North Tourist Mine



The Goldfields Arts Centre offers visitors the opportunity to view local art and exhibitions, and enjoy world class performances and shows which visit the City. To see what's on offer during your trip to the Goldfields, visit www.goldfieldsartscentre.com.au or call the Box Office on 9021 0999.

The Kalgoorlie Golf Course is an 18 hole championship grass golf course. Designed by Graham Marsh, and recently ranked as the number 18 public access golf course in Australia, Kalgoorlie Golf Course is a challenging course against the stunning backdrop of the Golden Outback and hosts two holes of the Nullarbor Links course.

Come and play on this spectacular course, proudly owned and operated by the City of Kalgoorlie- Boulder. For more information, email admin@kalgoorliegolfcourse.com or visit www.kalgoorliegolfcourse.com

The City has outstanding retail opportunities, cultural experiences, a thriving nightlife and many quality tourist attractions. With more restaurants and hotels per capita than any other regional centre in WA, as well as some of the region's largest social and community events, residents and visitors are never short of somewhere to go or something to do.

There is no end to the things you can do in Kalgoorlie-Boulder, so don't just visit – EXPLORE a bustling, cosmopolitan town full of fascinating things to see and do.

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 Kalgoorlie WA 6430
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Boulder Town Hall, Local History Archives & Goldfields War Museum

Marvel at the century old architecture of the beautiful Boulder Town Hall. See the stunning 'Bay of Naples' stage curtain – the last remaining example by renowned artist Philip Goatcher. The Local History Archives and Goldfields War Museum will be relocating from the Kalgoorlie Town Hall to the Boulder Town Hall, mid-2016. Here you will be able to discover the rich history of Kalgoorlie-Boulder and the Goldfields Region. Relive the experiences of our local men and women who were involved in various wars and conflicts. For more information on the redevelopment, free tours and new opening times please contact the Goldfields War Museum.

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 Email: mailbag@cckb.gov.au

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The Historic Kalgoorlie Town Hall holds more than a century of Goldfields history and is home to the Kalgoorlie Boulder Pure Gold Visitor Centre, Goldfields Sporting Hall of Fame, the Claude Hotchin Art Bequest, the Goldfields War Museum and the Local History Archives. Discover the Kalgoorlie of old at the beautiful Kalgoorlie Town Hall, an impressive 1908 Edwardian-styled building with intricate pressed metal ceilings, chandeliers, sweeping staircase, theatre and extensive collection of art and memorabilia. Free tour every Wednesday at 1:30pm.

Boulder Town Hall

Corner Burt and Brookman Streets Boulder

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A beautifully preserved historic Town Hall featuring pressed tin ceilings, wrought iron balustrades and the priceless Philip Goatcher stage curtain. Built in 1908, the hall has hosted celebrities including Dame Nellie Melba and Eileen Joyce. Free tour every Tuesday at 1:30pm.

Karlkurla Bushland Park

Entrance off Riverina Way, Hannans,

4km from central Kalgoorlie.

This 200 hectare natural re-growth bushland park comprises four kilometres of walk trails, a lookout, picnic tables, interpretive flora signage, and a wide variety of native plant species, including the sandalwood tree and wildflowers in season. The park is legacy of the 1970s Dust Abatement Policy established to re-vegetate land to reduce the dust storms that Kalgoorlie experienced.

Hammond Park

Memorial Drive, Kalgoorlie.

The picturesque Hammond Park with its pond and aviaries, is a haven for a variety of birdlife including peacocks. Hammond Park also features the beautiful and historic rotunda which was originally located in Victoria Park, and a miniature Bavarian Castle, built entirely of local gemstones. Plum Café, located in Hammond Park, offers visitors a variety of light refreshments.

Goldfields Oasis

Johnston Street, Kalgoorlie.

The Goldfields Oasis is Kalgoorlie-Boulder's premiere recreation facility, and features a stadium, health club, aquatic centre and playing fields, as well as the Stage 2 Toddler Splash Pool, and Stage 3, featuring WA's only FlowRider! Great fun for the whole family.

Kalgoorlie Arboretum

At the end of Hawkins Street, along the Gribble Creek Cycle Way.

Enjoy excellent walking trails through 26 hectares of this wonderful, shady parkland that features a wide variety of local Eucalyptus. There are picnic tables under the shade of river gums, and a small dam that attracts water birds.

Goldfields War Museum

316 Hannan Street Kalgoorlie

Upstairs, Kalgoorlie Town Hall

Tel: (08) 9093 1083

Following the April 2010 earthquake the Goldfields War Museum has temporarily relocated upstairs in the Kalgoorlie Town Hall. The rotating displays cover themes from the Boer War, WWI, WWII and Vietnam. These can be viewed Monday to Friday 9am - 4pm. Closed on Public Holidays.

Western Australian Museum

Kalgoorlie-Boulder

17 Hannan St, Kalgoorlie.

Tel: (08) 9021 8533

Marked by a huge red head-frame, the entrance to this fascinating museum is hard to miss. Enjoy amazing photographic displays, replica miners cottages, union tapestries and an array of memorabilia unique to the Kalgoorlie Goldfields.

Royal Flying Doctor Service Base

Kalgoorlie-Boulder Airport.

Tel: (08) 9093 7595

This centre provides you with an extraordinary insight into one of regional Australia's truly legendary organisations. Join a tour of the base and learn more about the history of the Royal Flying Doctors.

School of Mines Mineral Museum

Egan Street, Kalgoorlie.

Tel: (08) 9088 6179

Housing some 3,000 mineral specimens, this museum will appeal to those with a keen interest in geology and mineralogy.

St Mary's Church

Cnr of Porter and Brookman Sts, Kalgoorlie.

Also known as Kalgoorlie's 'Church of Gold', St Mary's Catholic Church is a heritage listed federation-gothic style church, built in 1902. This fascinating church was constructed with Coolgardie pressed bricks, many of which today are believed to contain real gold.

Kanowna Belle Mine Lookout

View one of Australia's premium underground gold mines. The mine lookout is 20 kilometres north-east of Kalgoorlie-Boulder near the Kanowna ghost town.

Heritage Buildings

Take a stroll down Burt Street, Boulder, or Hannan Street, Kalgoorlie, to discover magnificent gold rush architecture including Town Halls and magnificent hotels.

Hay Street

Take a stroll or drive down Kalgoorlie's notorious red light district street and see the few remaining bordellos.

Mt Charlotte

Located off the Goldfields Highway.

Mt Charlotte offers superb views of Kalgoorlie as well as a history about the C.Y. O'Connor water pipeline that carries water from Mundaring Weir, near Perth, along 560 kilometres of pipeline to Mt Charlotte.

The Super Pit

Outram Street, Kalgoorlie.

The Super Pit, previously known as the 'Golden Mile', is one of the biggest open cut mines in the world, and reputed to be the richest square mile of gold bearing earth in the world. It's currently 480 metres deep and measures 3.7 kilometres in length and 1.5 kilometres in width.

Loopline Railway & Museum

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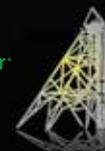
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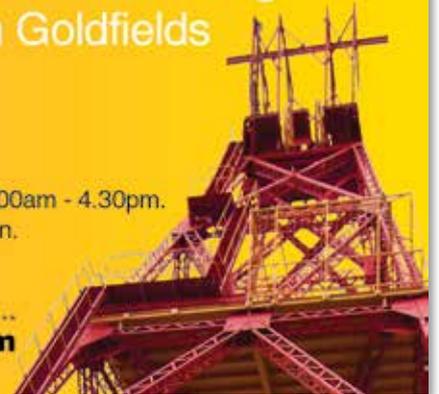
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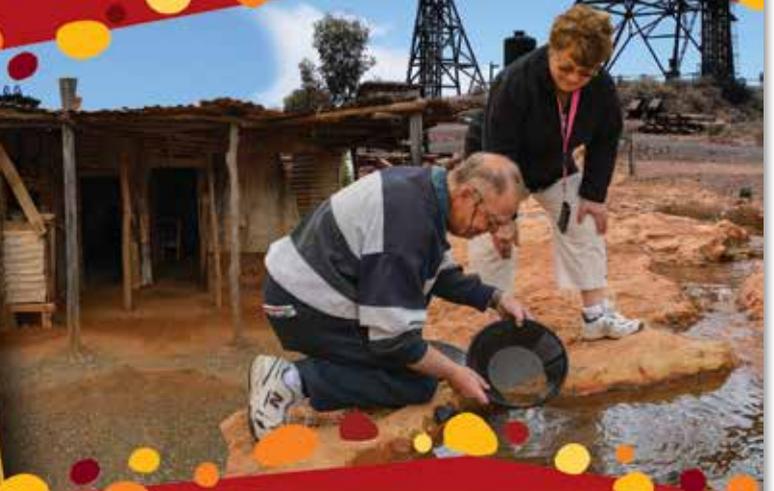
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GOLDFIELDS NATIONAL PARKS AND NATURE RESERVES

Visitors to Western Australia's Goldfields find themselves astounded by the diversity and beauty of the region's landscape, flora and fauna. Discover this for yourself by visiting the impressive Goldfields national parks and nature reserves.

Goldfields Woodlands National Park

The Goldfields Woodlands National Park straddles the Great Eastern Highway 60 kilometres west of Coolgardie, running for another 40 kilometres beside the road.

Travelling time: One hour from Coolgardie.

Facilities: Visitor and camping areas at Victoria Rock and Boondi Rock. Information shelter, tables, toilets, camping sites, freshwater dam at Boondi, heritage trail, Holland Track, picnic sites.

What to do: Sightseeing, walking, photography, nature observation, birdwatching, swimming, yabbing, picnics, camping, 4WD trips.

Cave Hill's Cave and Wave Formation

Cave Hill is an excellent camping spot and is one of several large granite rock conservation reserves managed by DPaW.

Where is it: 90 kilometres south of Coolgardie.

Facilities: Information shelters, tables, barbecues, toilets, camping areas.

What to do: Sightseeing, walking, photography, nature observation, yabbing, picnics, camping, 4WD trips along the old woodlines (if conditions are wet, remain on formed roads only).

Goongarrie Conservation Reserve and National Park

Goongarrie is in the transition zone between the Coolgardie and Murchison biogeographical regions.

Where is it: 90 kilometres north of Kalgoorlie.

Facilities: Goongarrie homestead complex has accommodation in buildings and full facilities. All the buildings have tables, wood BBQs, water supply, rainwater, showers, some furniture, and provisions for electricity (BYO generator).

Camping fees apply and bookings can be made through the DPaW Kalgoorlie Office.

What to do: 4WD trips, touring, history, bushwalking along a marked 5 kilometres trail, birdwatching, cycling, camping and nature study.

Jaurdi Conservation Reserve

Once a sheep station, today Jaurdi is a conservation reserve boasting a number of flora and fauna species including birds, native mammals, reptiles and frogs.

Where is it: 175 kilometres west of Kalgoorlie via the Great Eastern Highway and Ryan's Find on Mt Walton Road.

Facilities: The homestead, just north of the railway, has basic accommodation, running water, a shower, toilet, pot belly stove, cooking facilities, tables, barbecue, rain and dam water tanks, shearers' quarters and a shearing shed. Camping fees apply and bookings can be made through the DPaW Kalgoorlie Office.

What to do: Sightseeing, walking, photography, nature study, camping, environmental education, 4WD trips, yabbies in the dams.

Rowles Lagoon Conservation Park

Where is it: 73 kilometres north of Coolgardie along the Bonnie Vale and Carbine Roads or alternatively from Kalgoorlie via Ora Banda.

Facilities: Information shelter, tables, toilets, camping sites, freshwater lake, boat-launching site, gazetted water ski area, heritage trail.

What to do: Sightseeing, walking, photography, nature observation (especially bird watching), swimming, water-skiing, canoeing, picnics, camping.

EVENTS IN KALGOORLIE-BOULDER

Kalgoorlie is the home of major events in the region. The Kalgoorlie Racing Round is a highlight of the social calendar and the Diggers and Dealers conference is the biggest mining get together in the Southern Hemisphere. For family fun don't forget the St Barbara's Festival street parade.



1 Kalgoorlie Cup, the event of the year
2 Experience excitement at Kalgoorlie's St Barbara's Festival

RENT A CAR AND EXPLORE THE GOLDFIELDS

Taking to the road in the Goldfields is an exhilarating experience. There's so much to discover that it can be difficult to decide where to start. If you've arrived in Kalgoorlie-Boulder by train or plane, an excellent way to experience the heart of this region is by hiring a car.

Begin your self drive adventure in 'Kal' itself, and make sure you visit attraction such as the KCGM Superpit, the marvellous renovated streetscape along Burt Street, Boulder and drive out to the Mt Charlotte Lookout for beautiful views of the city and surrounds and then continue on to Hannans North Tourist Mine.

There are numerous other self drive trails that can be taken from Kalgoorlie like the 965km Golden Quest Discovery Trail, the Green Trail or perhaps take a drive and play outback golf along part of the Nullarbor Links starting at the world standard Kalgoorlie Golf Course and perhaps playing the Kambalda, Norseman and Fraser Range holes before returning to Kalgoorlie. Any journey in the outback takes you past historic towns, abandoned mines, historical sites and nature reserves.

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GOLDFIELDS MOTELS & HOLIDAY PARKS

The Goldfields is a destination where you have a huge choice of accommodation options, everything from luxury motels through to historical inns.

Caravanning and motorhoming is a popular way of visiting the Goldfields. Kalgoorlie has free 24 hour parking, but most people then transfer to a caravan park for a longer stay.

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COOLGARDIE



557km east of Perth

The name Coolgardie is said to be derived from the Aboriginal word 'Coolcaby', which refers to the area's mulga vegetation and gnamma waterholes. Over the years, Coolgardie has been known by various names such as Bayley's Find, Fly Flat, The Old Camp and The Old Diggings.

PLACES OF INTEREST

Lions Lookout

The view Bayley and Ford first saw in 1892 as they rode in from Gnarlbine Soak looking over to where they first struck gold – the area they soon called Fly Flat. A picnic and BBQ area is available.

Ben Prior's Park

An intriguing open air museum featuring interesting items of days gone by.

Historic Cemeteries

Much of Coolgardie's history can be read on the headstones of the Pioneer Cemetery and the Coolgardie Cemetery. As typhoid hit the town in the early gold rush days, many people died without their identity being recorded.

Goldfields Exhibition Museum

Housed in the historical Wardens Court Building (built 1898). Each room features fascinating displays telling the dramatic and tragic story of life in and around Coolgardie during the gold rush of the 1890s. Also housed in this museum is the Modesto Varischetti mine rescue story and the famous Waghorn collection.

Warden Finnerty's Residence

A beautiful old house built in 1895 of local stone, for the first Mining Warden and Resident Magistrate, John Michael Finnerty.



Coolgardie Visitor Centre

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651km east of Perth

Visit Australia's first nickel town founded in 1897 as a gold mining town during the gold rush frenzy, but was deserted by 1908. The town came alive again during the 1960s with the discovery of one of the world's largest nickel sulphide deposits and the opening of Australia's Golden Outback's first nickel mine known as St Ives Kambalda was reborn.

PLACES OF INTEREST

Kambalda Memorial Garden

A memorial to all the men accidentally killed in the mining industry, as well as a memorial to the hundreds of men who died from illnesses as a result of working in mining.

Red Hill Lookout

Visit Red Hill which overlooks Lake Lefroy and active mining operations. The bush trails take you around the hill, showcasing some mining history and rare flora and fauna.

Nullarbor Links

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1 Warden Finnerty's residence in Coolgardie 2 Goldfields Exhibition Museum 3 Warden's Court Building, Bayley Street 4 Coolgardie Gorge 5 Kambalda Memorial Garden

MENZIES

724km north-east of Perth,
130km north of Kalgoorlie

Site 6: Golden Quest Discovery Trail. Named after early prospector Leslie Robert Menzies, Menzies is not a large town, but this was not always the case. Like many towns in Western Australia it boomed during the gold rush days of the 1890s. Then, like many gold mining towns, resources were exhausted, people drifted away, and the area declined.

Despite these changing fortunes, Menzies has had its ups and downs, but is again beginning to prosper. At its peak, Menzies boasted a population of 5,000 with 13 hotels, three banks, its own breweries and cordial factories, a post office with a staff of 25, a school with 205 pupils, a public library and four churches.

The main industries of Menzies today are tourism, prospecting, pastoral, and some larger mining activities.

PLACES OF INTEREST

Lady Shenton Hotel Building

The Lady Shenton Hotel Building operated as a hotel from 1902 to 1922 and has served various functions over the years. This recently restored building now houses the Menzies Visitor Centre, the Public Library, the Community Resource Centre, the Community Postal Agency and a History/Heritage Room.

Adjacent to the Lady Shenton Hotel Building is the conveniently located Menzies Caravan Park.

Town Hall and Clock Tower

The first section was built in 1896. In 1900/01 the building was extended to include council chambers, administration offices, public library and reading room with a Town Hall located at the rear of the building.

Menzies waited a hundred years before a clock was installed in the clock tower in 2000. It is still the administration centre for the Shire of

Menzies and the Town Hall regularly hosts community events and activities. Facilities in the Town Hall precinct include: free gas BBQ, picnic tables, children's playground, multipurpose courts, public toilets, town oval and newly installed Water Park.

Menzies Cemetery

Site 7: Golden Quest Discovery Trail. Discover the graves of pioneers and children and learn of their lives as you wander through this amazing site. Menzies Cemetery is distinctive for the number of galvanized iron monuments which are skillfully shaped and scrolled by the early tinsmiths making use of available material.

Historic Buildings

The railway station built in 1898, is a substantial brick federation building and the last railway station remaining on the Northern Goldfields railway line.

Other historic buildings include the 'Old' Menzies Hotel, Post Office, Tearooms & Butcher's Shop, Pioneer Store and the current Menzies Hotel which is a friendly outback pub and a place to enjoy a drink, have a meal and stay the night.

Tjuntjuntjara Community in the Great Victoria Desert

700km east of Menzies near the South Australian border, the Spinifex people through their art present the traditional culture of Spinifex lands and lore.

The Spinifex Arts Project is a collective community based initiative which has produced both major collaborative and singular works which show the complexities of knowledge and relationship to country.

Lake Ballard

The iconic 'Inside Australia' exhibition is located 51 kilometres west of Menzies. See the 51 sculptures by internationally renowned artist Antony Gormley, which are mostly derived from laser scans of the residents of Menzies. Free camping, toilets and picnic facilities available and a black water dump station.

KOOKYNIIE

70km north-east of Menzies

Site 9: Golden Quest Discovery Trail. In 1903 Kookynie was a thriving township of more than 400 buildings and 2,500 people. It had seven hotels, two newspapers and a range of stores. Now a 'Living Ghost Town' Kookynie's stories are interpreted at the Visitor Information Bay.

From here visit many historical sites such as the ruins of the Cosmopolitan Hotel, the Cosmopolitan mine site, the cemetery and the Grand Hotel - a real outback pub with cold beer and comfortable accommodation.

Niagara 'Ghost Town'

Little is left of the town but a few relics and a historic cemetery. Niagara was a prosperous town before Kookynie was established and declined when richer gold was found close by.

Niagara Dam

Site 8: Golden Quest Discovery Trail. Completed in 1898 by WA Railways Dept. to provide water for the steam loco's operating on the Kalgoorlie-Menzies line.

Niagara Dam has spent the last 100 years serving as a picnic and swimming spot. Free camping facilities, including shady sites, gas BBQ, picnic tables, toilets and a black water dump point. There are cement fire rings, own wood required.

Two walk trails one Round-the-Dam Trail and the Breakaway Trail show the contrast of the man-made and natural attractions at this scenic site.



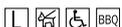
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Menzies Caravan Park



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1 Historic Menzies Town Hall 2 Visit the 51 Gormley Sculptures on Lake Ballard

LEONORA

831km north-east of Perth

Leonora, with its wide main street and numerous historic buildings, is a main regional centre in the Northern Goldfields.

Leonora's history dates back to 1869 when explorer John Forrest and his party, in search of the lost Leichhardt Expedition, made camp near a hill and named it Mount Leonora. Twenty five years on, prospectors moved through the area, and by 1896 mining claims were pegged and gold discovered, leading to the establishment of Leonora and Gwalia, along with the smaller town of Malcolm.

Leonora became the largest centre on the north-eastern Goldfields and by 1908 boasted seven hotels, general stores, a chemist, tailors and bakeries. Mining has continued through to the present day with gold and nickel being produced in large quantities.

Today, Leonora features quality services and facilities for travellers including a supermarket and general stores, service stations, dining facilities, recreation and aquatic centre, caravan park, motels, hotel and village style accommodation.

PLACES OF INTEREST

Heritage Buildings

The Leonora Heritage Trail highlights 30 historic buildings and sites dating back to 1896 when the town of Leonora was first established. The trail can be navigated using an online interactive trail map available for free download from www.leonora.wa.gov.au

Smoodgers Hill

A panoramic view of the town and surrounds can be obtained from the top of Smoodgers Hill (Tank Hill).

Malcolm Dam

Located 12 kilometres from Leonora, Malcolm Dam was built in 1902 to provide water for the railway. Today, this dam is a haven for birds.

The Terraces

A large breakaway formation about 40 kilometres north to north-east of Leonora, provides good bushwalking and some magnificent views.

The Leonora Loop Trails

A great way to see the sights, and soak up the stories of the Leonora Shire. The Leonora Loop Trails are two self-drive trails, with two very different themes; the Agnew Loop takes you through the social history of the area that was hot, harsh and unforgiving, while the Darlot Loop sees you travel through the varied natural landscapes of the north-eastern Goldfields. Each trail has 15 interpretive sites, along with a rusty steel storyteller structure waiting to share a story with you. A comprehensive and entertaining 90-page guidebook is available from a range of Visitor Centres around the Goldfields.

The mine managers house was commissioned in 1898 by Herbert Hoover, who later became the 31st President of the United States of America. The house now serves as Hoover House B&B where guest can overnight.

Gwalia can claim to have once been the second largest gold mine in Western Australia, to have the first state hotel and second public swimming pool built and today has Australia's only remaining timber incline headframe.

Gwalia Ghost Town App

Explore Gwalia Ghost Town and Museum with the Shire of Leonora's interactive app to learn more about the history of the buildings and the interesting people who once lived there. Available for free download from www.gwalia.org.au/map

LEINSTER

970km north-east of Perth

Leinster is often described as an oasis in the desert. Residents refer to the town as either the 'home of the wedge tailed eagle' or 'the jewel of the Northern Goldfields'. Leinster takes its name from the nearby Leinster Downs Station. The town was first established in 1976 as a company town supporting the nickel mine of the Agnew Gold Mining Company. Prior to mining activities, it was pastoral land.

GWALIA

Gwalia Ghost Town and Museum

Gwalia, only 3 kilometres south from Leonora, is a truly fascinating living ghost town. Wandering through the abandoned miners' cottages provide a snapshot of a way of life associated with the Sons of Gwalia goldmine (1896-1963).

 **Leonora Visitor Centre**
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1 Mick Omodei's Camp, Gwalia 2 Aerial photo of Gwalia museum precinct and headframe

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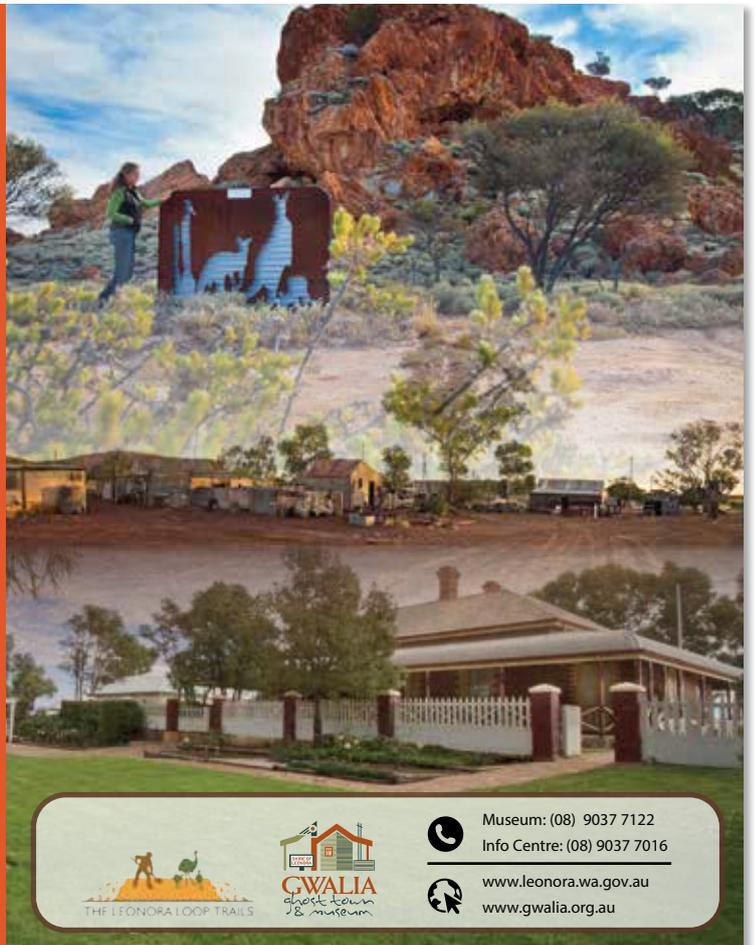


EXPLORE Gwalia & Leonora

See the sights and soak up the stories on the self-drive Leonora loop trails.

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LAVERTON



955km north-east of Perth

Named after Dr Charles Laver, a keen prospector who rode his bicycle from Coolgardie to this area, and backed many prospectors who went to him with likely propositions.

From the very beginning, Laverton developed as the centre for commercial and social activity in this area. Laverton is at the western end of the Great Central Road, which forms part of the Outback Way - Australia's third strategic link. Laverton features a range of accommodation options including a caravan park, hotel and motel. Laverton also has a supermarket, service station and sports club.

PLACES OF INTEREST

The Great Beyond Explorers' Hall of Fame

Complementing the rich visual history of the Northern Goldfields, the Great Beyond Explorers' Hall of Fame utilises cutting edge technology to bring to life the characters and stories of the past.

Step back in time with several notable explorers who led challenging expeditions through Central Australia during the mid to late 19th century as they recount their stories of hardship and bravery. Discover what it was like for women and pioneers living and working on the Goldfields during the pioneer days and learn about the valuable industries that sustain our inland.

The Great Beyond Hall of Fame also houses a gift shop, café and the local Visitor Centre.

Laverton Motel

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Windarra Mine Site Lookout

Located 28 kilometres from Laverton, this is the site of the Windarra Nickel Mine, made famous during the Poseidon Nickel Boom. The lookout provides panoramic views over the famous site and its main mining structures that remain standing.

Lonely Bush Graves

Situated approximately 20km from Laverton, all that remains of the infamous Burtville townsite is the resting place of some of our early prospectors and miners.

All except one of the deceased laid to rest at the cemetery were victims of the harsh and volatile conditions in the Goldfields early gold rush and mining period.

Site 12 of the Golden Quest Discovery Trail takes you to the grave of John Aspinall, a young New Zealand prospector whose quest to find gold came to a tragic and lonely end when he was struck by lightning in March 1896.

A little further down the road at Mt Morgans, the picturesque cemetery is well worth the visit. Disease, accident, suicide and murder were common causes of death in the town as can be seen on numerous headstones. The Mt Morgans Cemetery is approximately 50km from Laverton.

Golden Quest Discovery Trail (Site 13)

Laverton is the northernmost site on the Golden Quest Discovery Trail. Other sites close to Laverton include Mt Morgans, Hawks Nest and Murrin Murrin.

Laverton Outback Gallery

The Gallery is located in the LLCCA building next to the hotel. There is a wide range of indigenous art on display and for sale.

Billy Goat Hill Lookout

Situated at the top of Hawks Place, near the water tank. Panoramic views over the township and beyond.

Old Police Precinct

Within the Precinct are the original Police Sergeant's house, the Police office and the gaol, all of which have been extensively refurbished in recent years.

The buildings are open from 11am – 1pm daily or by appointment. Contact the Great Beyond Visitor Centre on (08) 9031 1361.



The Great Beyond Visitor Centre

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1 A must see - The Great Beyond Explorers' Hall of Fame 2 Dr Laver statue



Laverton Outback Gallery

Laverton Outback Gallery has a wonderful range of paintings and artefacts for sale, created by artists from the Western Desert/Wongatha region of WA. It also has locally made bush medicine and silk scarves dyed with native plant oils.

The Gallery is housed in a heritage building which was once a mine manager's house.

Located on the corner of Augusta & Euro Streets, an easy walk from the Great Beyond, the Gallery is managed by the LLCCA charitable organisation.

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Web: llcca.org.au



WILUNA



966km north-east of Perth

The Shire of Wiluna covers an area of 184,000 square kilometres and is predominantly mining and pastoral land.

The town of Wiluna is on the edge of the Little Sandy Desert, located east of Meekatharra (unsealed) and north of Leinster (sealed), on the Goldfields Highway. It's the gateway to the Canning Stock Route which runs north to Halls Creek, and the Gunbarrel Highway that runs east to Alice Springs. Good fuel and grocery outlets are available in Wiluna.

PLACES OF INTEREST

Historical Buildings

The Wiluna Shire Offices were formerly the town hospital where the retired Governor General Sir Michael Jeffrey was born.

Tjukurba Art Gallery

The Tjukurba Art Gallery offers visitors a sample of unique and affordable paintings by the Birriliburu artists, some of whose works have been exhibited overseas.

Statues of Warri and Yattungka

Be sure to visit the town's statue 'Last of the Nomads' and read the plaque to learn of the beautiful love story behind their culturally frowned-upon relationship. Their deaths marked the end of a tribal lifestyle that has stretched back more than 40,000 years. Not to be missed!

Clay Pans

These fill with water at different times of year and are great for windsurfing, canoeing, bird watching and picnics.

Lake Violet

Located near the township of Wiluna, this lake can host hundreds of black swans over the winter months.

Pioneer Cemetery

19 grave sites identified from Shire records dating from 1893 to 1903 when the cemetery was moved because of periodic flooding in the area first chosen.

Gunbarrel Highway

The Gunbarrel is a popular four wheel drive which takes you across the ranges and central desert to Warburton and Alice Springs.

Lorna Glen Reserve

90 kilometres east of Wiluna, an historic cattle station where fauna and flora are returning to the natural state in the care of DPaW.

Canning Stock Route

Well numbers 1 and 2 are close to the town, as are the original cattle loading yards. Trekking to various parts of the track between Wiluna and Halls Creek is popular in the cooler months of the year.

North Pool

North Pool is located on the Canning Stock Route. Both North Pool and Lake Violet are pleasant spots for a picnic and are fantastic for bird watching. Like many other features these are within 20 kilometres of town.

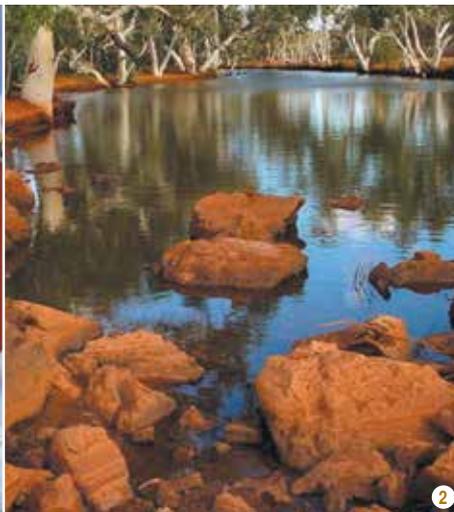
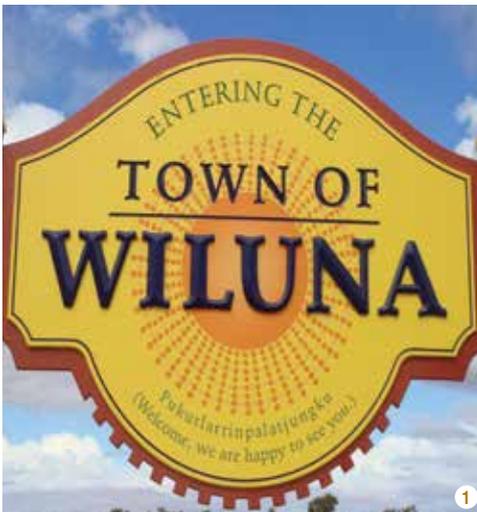
Accommodation

Enjoy friendly outback hospitality; Wiluna has accommodation in and close to the town.



Shire of Wiluna

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1 Welcome to Wiluna, start of the The Canning Stock Route 2 North Pool, Canning Stock Route 3 Durba Hills, Canning Stock Route 4 Last of the Nomads sculpture

SHIRE OF NGAANYATJARRAKU



1,542km north-east of Perth,
550km north-east of Laverton

The Shire of Ngaanyatjarraku encompasses an area of 159,948 square kilometres, making it the fourth largest Local Government by geographic area in Western Australia. The region itself is diverse in natural beauty from the magnificent Rawlinson Ranges to the red sandy plains of the Gibson and Great Victoria Deserts.

The distinctive red sand and blue skies of the area form a spectacular context for a diverse array of desert rangelands and arid zone flora and fauna. Rocky escarpments and other landforms give texture to this beautiful country.

The Shire is home to ten indigenous communities scattered throughout the district with a total population of approximately 1,650 people, with the main regional centre being Warburton which is situated on the Great Central Road. The Shire offices are located here at the Tjulyuru Cultural and Civic Centre.

The Great Central Road forms the main thoroughfare for the Shire of Ngaanyatjarraku. It is part of the 'Outback Way', a 2,800km trans-national link stretching from Laverton in Western Australia to Winton in Queensland. The Outback Way passes through some of Australia's most spectacular outback country, including the Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park.

PLACES OF INTEREST

The Outback Way

Driving the Great Central Road section of the Outback Way and traversing the middle of the Shire is a great eco-tourism experience, passing through the Rawlinson Ranges, Walter James Ranges, and Gill's Pinnacle. Other sites of note along the way are Len Beadell's Tree, the Giles Meteorological Station, and the Tjulyuru Cultural and Civic Centre which displays some of the finest indigenous art works in Australia and is home to the world-renowned Warburton Arts Project.

Break up your journey through spectacular sunsets and bright red sand with visits to these attractions:

Tjulyuru Cultural and Civic Centre, Warburton

The Tjulyuru Cultural Centre complex is a civic and cultural hub for visitors and locals based at the Warburton Community on the Great Central Road. Visitors to the area are encouraged to visit the Tjulyuru Regional Arts Gallery and check out the arts, crafts and publications for sale at the Warta Shop. Tjulyuru Regional Arts Gallery exhibitions draw from contemporary Ngaanyatjarra art practice in the region and the Warburton Art Collection - reputedly the world's largest collection of community-owned and controlled Aboriginal art.

Giles Weather Station, Warakurna

The Giles Weather Station (established 1956) is a fully functioning meteorological observation station based at Warakurna Community. Visitors can schedule a tour of the station and view the daily release of the observation balloon.

Yarla Kutjarra (rest stop)

The Yarla Kutjarra wayside stop between Warburton and Warakurna has been provided by the Ngaanyatjarra people as a place where visitors can camp and enjoy the peace and tranquillity of the Ngaanyatjarra Lands without disturbing any of the culturally significant places along the Great Central Road. Signage at the site provides information about the area.

Surveyor General's Corner

The intersection of the borders of the Northern Territory and the states South Australia and Western Australia is known as the Surveyor General's Corner. Access to the area is limited to guided tours and visitors require a special permit.

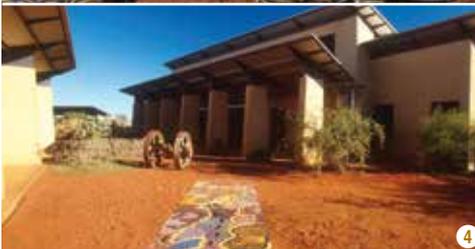
Local Roadhouses

Roadhouses form vital sources of water, fuel, food and accommodation along the Great Central Road. Two Roadhouses operate in the Shire of Ngaanyatjarraku - Warburton Roadhouse and Warakurna Roadhouse. Both facilities operate 7 days per week and offer fuel, fast food and supplies, and motel or campground accommodation for travellers.



Shire of Ngaanyatjarraku

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1 Ngaanyatjarra wooden artefacts, 'Punu' 2 Warburton Art Glass 3 The colours at dusk 4 Tjulyuru Gallery entrance 5 Stunning art 6 Amazing Ngaanyatjarraku sunsets

The WHEATBELT



Top things to see

- 1 Marvel at Wave Rock!
- 2 'Catch' a yabby in Kokerin
- 3 Explore Tin Horse Highway, Kulin
- 4 See the amazing Wheatbelt wildflowers in springtime
- 5 Stay in a B&B or Farmstay
- 6 See ancient Aboriginal hand stencils in Mulka's Cave
- 7 Sit in Earthquake House at Cunderdin Museum
- 8 Follow the Golden Pipeline
- 9 Sample and buy award winning wines in a Wheatbelt winery
- 10 Marvel at the shimmering salt lakes

The Wheatbelt is a patchwork of golden fields, character townships, pioneering history, fun farm stays, festivals and self drive experiences.

It is also home to Wave Rock - the most recognisable tourist attraction in the region. The rock near Hyden stretches 100 metres and stands 15 metres high in the shape of a giant wave about to crash over the surrounding bush.

There are a number of other unique granite rock outcrops that feature in the Wheatbelt, including Elachbutting and Chiddarcooping near Mukinbudin, Kokerbin Rock at Bruce Rock and Buckley's Breakaway at Kulin.

Animal lovers will adore the Wheatbelt's Dryandra Woodland. This is one of the most important areas in the state for wildlife preservation, harbouring numbats, tamar wallabies, brushtail possums, tawny frogmouth owls and kangaroos. For animals of a different kind, be sure to visit a farmstay. Children in particular delight in finding friends among the cute and cuddly farmyard animals.

While farm animals may keep the children entertained, the grown-ups will revel in the fantastic fresh produce. Olive oil, wines, preserves, yabbies and lavender products are on offer in the Wheatbelt.

The Wheatbelt is also the scene of one of nature's most dazzling shows. From July to early November the landscape explodes into colour as wildflowers burst into bloom.

Along with the wildflowers, the Wheatbelt offers a rich pioneering history with stories of early day explorers and settlers, and of fortunes made and lost in the Wheatbelt's gold rush.

Be sure to time your Wheatbelt adventure to coincide with one of the many spectacular events or festivals.

WILDFLOWERS

From July to early November the Wheatbelt comes alive with Everlastings, Acacia, Hakea, Grevillea, Lechenaultia, Wreath Flowers and Orchids. As wildflowers are dependent on seasonal rain, it is advisable to seek wildflower touring information from local Visitor Centres prior to departure.

Stay in a WHEATBELT B&B



The Wheatbelt abounds with history but it's the wide open expanses with full 360° vistas that will be one of the things you will remember most.

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Enjoy the SOUTHERN WHEATBELT

TOWN OF NARROGIN

Population 5,000

NARROGIN



192km south-east of Perth

A comfortable 2 hour drive south-east of Perth, Narrogin is the commercial centre of Dryandra Country and an ideal base from which to explore the Southern Wheatbelt. Depending on seasonal variations, spring is the best time to view wildflowers and July to December for orchids. Summer offers the chance to see numbats in their natural habitat. The Town offers modern facilities for travellers including a variety of cafes, heritage buildings, walk trails, art galleries, pubs, clubs and a vibrant cultural scene.

PLACES OF INTEREST

Dryandra Woodland

Nearby is Dryandra Woodland a valuable nature conservation area featuring one of the largest remnants of original vegetation in the Wheatbelt. It is home to Western Australia's state animal emblem the numbat and other endangered species. Nestled within Dryandra Woodland is Barna Mia, an animal sanctuary for threatened marsupials where you have the opportunity to view these rare and fascinating creatures in their native habitat on a nocturnal tour (bookings essential). Main picture above of Dryandra Woodland photo courtesy of Kirsten Sivyer.

Foxes Lair Nature Park

Explore Foxes Lair Nature Park, a 60 hectare bush land area within the town boundary, climb Yilliminning and Birdwhistle rocks. Have a picnic at the Railway Dam or Gnarojin Park and call in at the Old Courthouse Museum for a step back in time. Walk around town and enjoy the architecture of the bustling railway town that once was here.

ATTRACTIONS AND FACILITIES

For those actively inclined Narrogin is surrounded by many natural attractions which offer great photo opportunities, birdlife, wildflowers, granite outcrops, woodlands and lakes. Many have developed walking trails. The Leisure Centre has a large indoor heated pool, gym and sporting facilities. Gliding flights are also available at Narrogin Airfield.

Accommodation

There is a caravan park within the town as well as motels, hotels and other self contained accommodation including farm stays. Dryandra Country Visitor Centre provides ample caravan parking and access to the RV dump. The friendly volunteers will direct you to all the facilities you need and offer suggestions for what to see and do.

A short walk places you within the retail centre of town. There are two supermarkets and a large variety of other stores supplying all your essentials. There are plenty of cafes and food outlets. The town is well serviced for mechanical repairs and has a regional hospital with speedy access to Perth in case of emergency.

EVENTS

The Spring Festival and Narrogin Agricultural Show are annual events held in October, followed by Revheads Weekend in November. Sporting activities are seasonal and well patronised. Racing and pacing is popular and Speedway is held throughout the year.

7-8 May 2016

Dryandra Country Art, Food & Wine Trail

The Dryandra Country Art, Food and Wine Trail is a self-drive regional event held over the Mother's Day weekend in May. The Trail links centres in the picturesque countryside of the Dryandra Country region.

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PINGELLY
158km south-east of Perth

Situated at the headwaters of the Avon River, Pingelly has been settled from the 1860s. The Shire is a rich and diverse cropping and grazing agricultural area with reliable rainfall, and contributes significantly to the state's wool and grain exports.

Located in the heart of the Central Great Southern Wheatbelt on the Great Southern Highway, Pingelly is a pleasant 90 minute drive from metropolitan Perth and is conveniently situated for visitors to take in a variety of local attractions and diverse day trips.

The townsite is picturesque, with a historical flavour of the early 1900s. There are many parks, BBQ and picnic areas, playgrounds and gardens. Facilities include supermarket (open 7 days), butcher, chemist, community crafts and giftware, dine-in and takeaway food. Petrol and diesel are available 24/7 using a debit card at Great Southern Fuels, Brown Street.

Accommodation options comprise of two hotels, motel, B&B, and a caravan park, with BBQ area and facilities, located in Sharow Street. Pingelly is a RV Friendly Town with plenty of parking.

PLACES OF INTEREST

Pingelly Community Craft Centre

Call into the Pingelly Community Craft Centre for a chat and a cup of tea while obtaining tourist information. While here you can purchase local art and crafts, gift lines, souvenirs, and book and pay for overnight stays at the caravan park. Open 7 days from 9.30am.

Further tourist information is available at the Exchange Tavern on Pasture Street. Town and Shire maps are available from all retail outlets in town.

Pingelly Community Resource Centre

Pingelly CRC offers a wide range of services, including Pingelly Public Library, public access internet facilities, printing, desktop publishing, fax and email services to name a few. Drop in and meet the friendly staff!

Court House Museum

Originally built as a school house and converted to the court house in 1907, the building now serves as the Shire's museum and houses a fantastic collection of old memorabilia and photographs of yesteryear. Open Tue and Sat from 10am - 12pm. For after hours viewings Tel: 0456 438 399.

Pioneer Park

Perfect rest stop on the river with free BBQ facilities, picnic area and playground offering disability friendly public conveniences.

Cross on the Hill

This 15m tall cross was erected by a local farmer and is illuminated by night symbolising peace and hope (private property, access by permission, Tel: 0429 600 290).

Tianco Emu Farm

Located east of the town centre on Harper Street. Observe emus and kangaroos from the roadside. For information Tel: 0429 600 290.

Moorumbine Heritage Townsite and St Patrick's Anglican Church

Located 8 kilometres east of Pingelly, this picturesque site was originally settled in 1864. Many of the original houses and buildings survive. Such as St Patrick's Church, which was consecrated in 1873 and is still in use today.

Boyagin Nature Reserve

Located 26 kilometres north-west of Pingelly. Boyagin Nature Reserve is a designated flora and fauna reserve with picnic, bushwalking activities and wildflowers in season. Boyagin Rock rises 50 metres above the surrounding countryside.

Apex Lookout located on Ironstone Hill

Offers panoramic views of the town and countryside. Access and parking off Balfour Street.

Tutanning Flora and Fauna Reserve

Situated 28 kilometres East of Pingelly, Tutanning is world renowned as a sanctuary for the endangered Tammar wallaby, hundreds of wildflower species and native orchids.

Dryandra Woodland

Located approximately 40 kilometres from Pingelly via historic Pumphrey's Bridge. Dryandra Woodland offers one of the best chances to view native animals in their natural habitat.

UPCOMING EVENTS

25 April Anzac Day

Anzac Day is a significant event in the Shire with many residents and visitors honouring the ANZACs at a Dawn Service and March, with mid-morning service in the Town Hall.

Pingelly Spring and Autumn Markets

Further information available from the Community Resource Centre, Tel: (08) 9887 1409.



Pingelly Community Craft Centre & Tourist Information

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Tel: (08) 9887 1351
www.pingelly.wa.gov.au



1 Pingelly Railway Station 2 Pioneer Park 3 Tammar wallaby in the Dryandra Woodland 4 Marvel at flowering Silver Princess 5 Old Courthouse Museum



227km south-east of Perth

The town is the centre of a thriving Merino stud industry and proud home to the Wagin Woolorama, WA's largest rural show to be held from 11-12 March 2016.

An easy 3 hour drive from Perth, you will be enthralled with the beautiful rolling Wheatbelt countryside and quaint historical towns along the way.

Settled in early 1880s, Wagin is near a series of ancient lakes and is regarded as the most heritage rich rural town in Western Australia. The streetscapes boast some of the state's most beautiful early 20th century historical hotels; three of these hotels are still in operation. Their architectural significance adds extra interest as you walk the streets of this friendly town absorbing all the charm of a regional farming community.

To acknowledge the prosperity created by the wool industry, you won't be able to miss 'Baart' the Giant Ram on the western side of the town. This iconic attraction is located in a beautiful water park with picnic and BBQ facilities.

PLACES OF INTEREST

Giant Ram

No doubt the most photographed ram in Australia! Come see 'Baart', standing some 9 metres tall and 13 metres in length located in the beautiful Wetlands Park, right alongside the Shire offices as you enter the town.

Wagin Historical Village Museum

This is acclaimed as the largest and best social history museum in Western Australia. Some 25 historical or recreated buildings house the history of the region.

Wait - Jen Walking Trail

Wait - Jen is Aboriginal Noongar language for 'emu's foot-print' and is a relaxing 10.5km walk trail taking about 4 hours one way. It starts just off the Great Southern Highway 8kms south of Wagin and ends at the north end of Norring Lake. This trail interprets local Noongar culture and follows one of the ancient dreaming trails formed by the Wagul, a mythical being that created tracks by which the Noongar could pass safely.

Constructed in 2003, the trail passes through a variety of vegetation types with a wide range of birdlife. Kangaroos can often be seen during the day and the remnant bush is home to nocturnal animals. Signs and information panels contain artwork from local artists and give an outline of Noongar traditions and way of life.

Town Well, Mount Latham and Puntapin

Come see town's original water source, the 1890s Town Well located in parking bay just off Arthur Road. This water was used before constructing water catchments at Badjarning Rock at Mt Latham and Puntapin Rock. These two granite formations have wonderful views over the town and surrounding farmland areas.

Wagin Woolorama

Some 30,000 people attend this event which gives a fantastic insight into life on the land. The 2 day dog high jump is a highlight for the visitor.

Wildflowers & Marrobbie Birdpark

Spring is the time to see some of the state's most beautiful wildflower displays. Each year from late August to November wildflowers burst into colour along roadsides, walk trails, parks and reserves. If you are into Australian birdlife and fauna, perhaps also pay a visit to Marrobbie Birdpark. Tel: (08) 9861 1236 for opening hours.

Where to Stay

Wagin is an RV Friendly Town, ideal to park the motorhome or caravan for a few days. Wagin has 3 hotels, 2 motels, a B&B and a spa retreat.

Wagin Historical Village & Tourist Information
Kitchener Street
Wagin WA 6315
Tel: (08) 9861 1232
www.wagin.wa.gov.au



1 Wagin's iconic Giant Ram 2 Beautiful canola fields 3 Country life, great for the family

WAGIN HISTORICAL VILLAGE



A wonderful social history museum that is definitely worth a visit. 25 original and replica buildings from the region's past. Wander down memory lane and visit The Schoolhouse, Stone Church, Village Fire Station, Bank and Quarantine Cottage. Picture the 'smithy' working in the Blacksmiths, listen for the sound of sheep in the Shearing Shed. See the artefacts of years gone by in The General Store, Barbers, Bootmakers Shop and Dressmakers Shop. Browse through two large sheds full of vintage machinery. Tourism and Volunteer Award Winner.

Open daily 10am to 4pm. Closed Good Fri, Easter Sun, Christmas & Boxing Days. School and group bookings catered for. Devonshire tea served weekends. Telephone: (08) 9861 1232 Web: www.waginhistoricalvillage.com



Wagin



Home of Woolorama, Giant Ram and Historical Village Museum.

Take time to visit: Giant Ram Park • Old Well • Historic Village Museum • Woolorama (annually in March) • Historic walk and buildings • Bird Park • Natural attractions and wildflowers in season • Wait-Jen Trail • Accommodation and usual services. Tourist Information Centre at Historical Village Museum. Tel: (08) 9861 1232 • AH: (08) 9861 1811



DUMBLEYUNG



267km south-east of Perth

The Dumbleyung Shire is located in the Southern Wheatbelt and is known for grain, livestock production and various biodiversity industries including: cereals, summer crops, oil Mallees, yabbies, emus, poultry and trout. Covering an area of 2,551km², its two major towns of Dumbleyung and Kukerin service the Shire. Both towns have all the necessary amenities and facilities to comfortably cater for visitors.

The name Dumbleyung is thought to be derived from the Aboriginal word 'Dambeling' meaning 'large lake or sea'. Pioneers arrived in 1875 and established farms out of virgin bush, tolerating a shortage of fresh water, finance, medical supplies and loneliness. Sandalwood cutters and pastoralists began to settle at Nippering, north of Lake Dumbleyung. By 1915 the post office and hall were the only remaining evidence of the township at Nippering, with Dumbleyung becoming the larger town where the terminus of the Wagin-Dumbleyung railway was located.

PLACES OF INTEREST

Lake Dumbleyung

In 1843, explorers Landor and Lefroy sighted this lake, the largest open lake in WA's south-west, 13km long, 6.55km wide, covering 5,200 hectares. Lake Dumbleyung received world recognition when Donald Campbell broke the world water speed record on 31 December 1964, travelling at 276.33 miles per hour (444.71km) in his boat 'Bluebird'. A memorial to Donald Campbell can be seen at Pussy Cat Hill, overlooking the lake.

Bluebird K7 Replica

2014 marked the 50th anniversary of the water speed record. The community raised funds to build a replica of the Bluebird, located in the town centre, on Absolon Street, with interpretative signage.

The Bluebird Discovery Centre & Community Resource Centre

Located cnr Absolon & Dawson Streets (old post office building). Visitors can learn more about the water speed record, through a series of interactive and interpretative displays. Located onsite is the Dumbleyung CRC, a welcoming and engaging hub for community members and visitors. Offering a variety of services including public computer and internet access, video conferencing, printing, faxing and other similar business services.

Eden Valley Biodynamic Farm

Owned by the Lloyd family who practice ecologically-sustainable, traditional agriculture. The farm is an original land selection encompassing a mini-catchment of 1,295 hectares.

KUKERIN



316km south-east of Perth

The name Kukerin is thought to be a combination of the names of two sandalwood cutters – Cooke and Ring. By about the mid 1870s John Holland (of Holland Track fame) had taken up a pastoral lease of 9,000 acres at Merilup Spring, establishing a sandalwood depot. Following this, the surrounding area was opened by sandalwood cutters. In 1904 work on the Rabbit Proof Fence commenced, stretching north of Yalgoo to Point Anne in the south. The arrival of the railway to Merilup (later renamed Kukerin) was a bonus for settlers. In 1928 the Kukerin Hotel opened and is still trading today with drinks, meals and accommodation.

PLACES OF INTEREST

Cambinata Yabbies

Cambinata Yabbies, located on the Dumbleyung Lake Grace Road, Kukerin is a family company that diversified from wheat farming to also process and market 'live yabbies', pickled yabbies and abalone and fresh honey. Their export yabby establishment is the largest in Australia. Tours are available daily as well as freshly cooked yabbies and gourmet products.

Emu Essence

Emu Essence is a locally operated company producing natural skin care products containing emu oil and is one of Australia's biggest manufacturers and exporters.

Accommodation

Dumbleyung and Kukerin has a great range of accommodation options ranging from caravan parks, outback pubs, B&Bs, motels and farm cottages. For more information visit www.dumbleyung.wa.gov.au



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Bluebird Discovery Centre and Community Resource Centre

Grande Olde' Dumbleyung Inn



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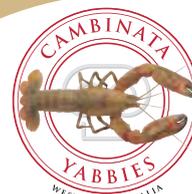
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4208-10 Dumbleyung Lake Grace Road, Kukerin, WA



Explore the PATHWAYS TO WAVE ROCK



Make your journey to Wave Rock an experience to remember. Enjoy country hospitality, natural bushland with wildflowers in season, spectacular night skies and an agricultural experience.

Duration: 3 days+
Distance: 760km
Road Conditions: Sealed



Your Wheatbelt experience begins as you leave Perth on the Great Eastern Highway, travelling to W.A.'s first inland town - York. Enjoy the Motor Museum, historic buildings, cafes and restaurants.

Travel 68km eastwards to Quairading (bushwalking in conservation area) then onto Kokerbin Rock, a massive monolith with great views and picnic area in the Bruce Rock Shire.

Bruce Rock, 77km from Quairading has a fabulous aquatic centre for summer fun, and an amphitheatre with sculpture park to rest for lunch.

Travel 38km southeastwards to Narembeen and learn about farming at the interactive Grain Discovery Centre then continue on the Mt Walker Road with its colourful wildflowers, south-wards 87km to Hyden, which has excellent accommodation and dining opportunities.

Spend the next day exploring Hyden and the Wave Rock attractions before returning to Perth through Kondinin 59km to the west, or through Kulin, 82km south-west and the home of the Tin Horse Highway, continuing onto visit Corrigin, the Dog in the Ute town, before travelling the final 235km back to Perth.

Extend your journey and travel 72km south to view the mighty salt lake at Lake Grace. Take in the atmosphere of an early 20th century hospital when you visit the only remaining Australian Inland Mission Hospital in the state. Wildflowers in spring and a friendly welcome at all times awaits.

For a memorable visit, collect a Pathways to Wave Rock brochure/map from a Visitor Centre or visit www.wheatbelttourism.com and time your visit to a special event, agricultural season or must see attraction.



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1 Explore Kokerbin Rock, near Bruce Rock 2 Kulin and its Tin Horse Highway 3 Corrigin, home of the Dog in a Ute record

SHIRE OF BRUCE ROCK

Population 1,200

BRUCE ROCK



240km east of Perth

Bruce Rock has a number of interesting places to visit, including Bruce's Rock, Kokerbin Rock, Shackleton Lakes and the Ardath Hotel. Bruce Rock provides an excellent base with ample parking and rest areas running the length of the main street, making it easy to explore the surrounding regions, both within the Shire and further throughout the Central Wheatbelt region.

PLACES OF INTEREST

Kokerbin Rock

Covering 9 hectares and rising 122 metres above the ground, Kokerbin Rock is Australia's 3rd largest monolith. Situated 40 kilometres north-west of Bruce Rock, it is a great place for a picnic, with BBQ facilities and toilets.

Bruce's Rock

Named after Sandalwooder, John Rufus Bruce, who used the outcrop as his depot in 1869. There are two old wells located at the picnic site at the foot of the rock, good walks are to be enjoyed over the rock outcrop. BBQ and picnic facilities are available.

Old Railway Dam and Granite Outcrop

Built during the early days of railway in the Shire, the Railway Dam is situated 2 kilometres

east of Bruce Rock. The dam draws water from a series of channels built on a large granite outcrop nearby. The railway dam now provides an interesting walk through bushland on the main natural stone-lined channel up to a granite outcrop, providing views of the town and surrounding farmland.

Federation Amphitheatre and Sculpture Park

Officially opened in October 2001, this outdoor theatre seats up to 800 people. Designed and built entirely by the people of Bruce Rock, it has been host to many events, concerts and private functions.

Bruce Rock Museum

Located on Johnson Street, the museum contains a comprehensive collection of memorabilia. To the rear of the museum you will find an original one room school house and a replica mud brick settler's cottage from pioneering farm days.

Machinery Museum

Opposite the Bruce Rock Museum, the Machinery and Motor Museum houses working farm machinery, a vintage car and a steam traction engine - all from local historical times.

Centennial Mosaic Pathway

Check out the Mosaic Pathway commissioned in 2013 to commemorate the town's centennial. Comprising of 417 slabs, the pathway celebrates the Shire of Bruce Rock's

early settlers, community members, local businesses and sporting clubs.

Kwoiyin Campsite

Extensively upgraded in 2013 this free campsite includes camp kitchen, gas BBQs, shaded picnic facilities, water supply and public facilities, making it ideal for large groups to stay a few days and explore the area's spectacular natural attractions. For more information contact the Shire.



Bruce Rock Visitor Information Centre

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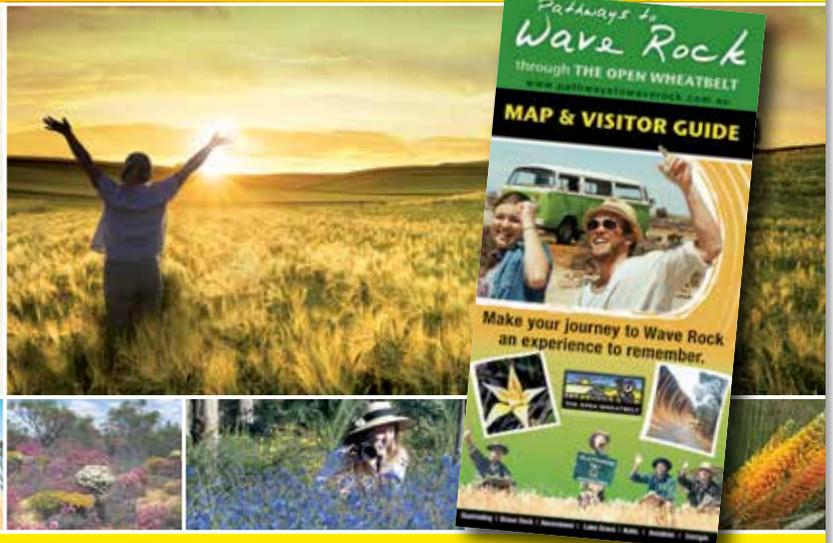
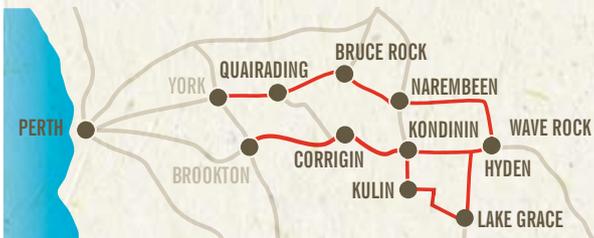
1 Centennial Mosaic Pathway 2 Federation Amphitheatre
3 The historic shire office

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CORRIGIN



235km south-east of Perth

Corrigin was once known as the town of the windmills until the arrival of the water scheme in 1960. It is now famous for its tribute to 'Man's Best Friend' at the unique dog cemetery and is the world record holder for Dogs in a Ute. This grain and grazing town is nestled in the heart of the Wheatbelt only 235km south-east of Perth on the Brookton Highway.

Corrigin has a rich agricultural heritage and the district produces around 171,000 tonnes of wheat in an average year. It boasts a friendly atmosphere for both residents and visitors. The town is nestled at the base of Corrigin Rock and to experience Corrigin on foot the town offers a variety of dedicated tracks and trails.

The town's history is reflected in the windmill entry statement and is showcased at the Pioneer Museum and RSL Memorial Lookout. Corrigin offers all the necessary services and facilities including an adventure playground, swimming pool and a newly constructed Recreation and Events Centre.

PLACES OF INTEREST

Main Street and Miss B's Park

Visit the shops and cafés in Campbell Street just off the Highway. Miss B's Park has picnic and BBQ facilities located in the main street.

Home of the Record Breaking 'Dog in a Ute'

The Dog in a Ute event involves the coming together of two great rural Aussie icons - the 'Ute' and Man's Best Friend, the 'Dog' in an

attempt to break a world record. Corrigin currently holds the world record (1,527) of a continuous queue of Dogs in Utes. This record breaking event was held in Corrigin in 2002, breaking the Victorian record of 797. \$80,000 was raised for the Royal Flying Doctor and community activities.

Pioneer Museum and Rotary Park

Stop for a BBQ or picnic in the shady park and then wander over to the museum with its collection of tools and restored farm machinery, including tractors in working order. See the blacksmith's shop, the old one room school, the shearing shed and a collection of district photographs and other memorabilia. A wall at the entrance commemorates early settlers. Open Sunday 2-5pm and Wednesday 1-4pm or by appointment. Tel: (08) 9063 2246.

Dog Cemetery

Just 5 kilometres west of town, The Dog Cemetery was established in 1974 as a tribute to 'Man's Best Friend'. With over 200 loved ones buried here, the cemetery is unique to Corrigin. Take time to read some of the headstones, the cemetery is landmarked by a statue of a large dog. Anyone is welcome to bury their dog at the cemetery and many have travelled from different towns to lay pets in their final resting place.

Wildflowers and Walk Trails

A 4 kilometre Wildflower Drive starts opposite the Dog Cemetery. Over 200 species can be seen as it meanders through a wide range of soils, from sedgelands to mixed shrubs and various woodlands, some growing in profusion in broken rocks. Take a leisurely walk over the Corrigin Rock on the east edge of town and

enjoy a picnic in the Adventure Playground. Power-walk on the Old Dam Track west of the railway line starting at the old water tower.

Adventure Playground

A great place to picnic with playground equipment for the children. Located next to Corrigin Rock, the Adventure Playground provides plenty of shade and tranquility. This park has been upgraded and has a fort structure with disabled access. A new BBQ, picnic settings and shelter have been installed with new paving and play equipment has also been erected with a 'space net' to climb on.

Lookouts

Panoramic views of the town and farmlands can be seen from the Anzac Memorial in town or from the Scenic Lookout.

Gorge Rock

Located 20 kilometres from town, Gorge Rock is a natural rock pool which was once the local swimming hole, (before an Olympic pool was constructed in the townsite), offering spectacular panoramic views of the surrounding farmland and countryside around Corrigin.

Enjoy the short walk through the picturesque bushland to get to the rock pool. Although no swimming is allowed in present day, the area is still worth visiting, and a good rest stop with natural bushland making pleasant surroundings.



Corrigin Community Resource Centre

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www.corrigin.wa.gov.au



1 Corrigin entry sign 2 Corrigin Dog Cemetery 3 Adventure Playground 4 Corrigin Town Hall 5 Explore the local walk trails 6 Fun at the Aquatic Centre

NAREMBEEN



286km east of Perth

There's so much to see and do in Naremben, a rural town offering country hospitality and scenery that reflects Australia's true farming lifestyle. Located between Wave Rock and the Great Eastern Highway, Naremben is the perfect location to discover, explore and stay!

Enjoy beautiful nature trails as you take in tall Salmon Gums, native animals, and during spring splendid wildflowers. Climb majestic granite outcrops and enjoy the undisturbed beauty of Naremben. A small country town that offers you convenient amenities and an opportunity to mingle with the friendly locals.

PLACES OF INTEREST

Naremben Grain Discovery Centre

A modern, interpretive Discovery Centre featuring brilliant visual displays and audiovisual. Learn more about farming in Naremben as you wander through the Centre, open every day 9am to 5pm.

Roe Lookout

A photographer's delight, situated approximately 8km from Naremben and named after John Septimus Roe, Surveyor-General, a scenic drive takes you to the peak of this granite formation with magnificent panoramic views of the district. There is limited vehicle access to the top of Roe Lookout, the steep incline is not suitable for caravans. Park at the bottom and take a leisurely walk to the top of the lookout.

Roe Dam

A bird watcher's paradise, located approximately 45kms east of Naremben is a 20 million gallon storage dam completed in 1971. Take in the majestic eucalyptus with an under-story of bracken fern. Picnic areas, toilets and BBQs are available in this tranquil setting.

Hidden Hollow

The perfect place to rest and have a picnic, located approximately 30km east of Naremben. See many wildflowers and orchids during spring (Aug - Oct). A scenic walk trail leads you to a natural amphitheatre that has been carved out of the rock over years of weathering. For the more energetic - the view from the summit offers spectacular views of the district.

Step Back in Time

Visit one of the many historical museums in Naremben including St Paul's Museum, History Museum, the War Museum and the Machinery Museum. For tours contact the Naremben CRC Tel: (08) 9064 7055 (business hours only).

A short self-drive tour (38kms) starting west of Naremben at Dayman Road, The Old Prospector's Trail will have you transported back in time. Follow the signs which will take you back to the early days when sandalwood cutters and gold prospectors travelled this trail in search of riches. Interpretive displays, old water wells, reconstructed prospector's camp and undisturbed landscapes are part of this must do short loop. The trail is a work in progress. Roads are subject to flooding so please check with the Shire of Naremben Tel: (08) 9064 7308 on current road conditions.

Spectacular Wildflowers

Experience Naremben's wildflower reserves, walk trails and roadsides which put on a spectacular seasonal show of colour during Spring (Aug-Oct).

Facilities

Hospital, doctor, dentist, pharmacy, visiting physiotherapist, new recreation centre, aquatic centre, playground, skate park, district high school, community resource centre, community shed and art gallery, Lions Club, Bankwest, IGA, post office, newsagency, butcher, café, hairdresser, beauty therapist, roadhouse, hardware, tyre retailer, panel beater.

Accommodation

Naremben has a range of accommodation options including the Shire of Naremben Caravan Park and Cabins, Naremben Motel, Naremben Hotel and Santaleuca Bed & Breakfast. For more information contact the Naremben CRC on (08) 9064 7055.

COMING EVENTS!

26th January 2016

Australia Day Breakfast & Awards Ceremony

28th February 2016

Naremben Triathlon

September 2016

Naremben Ladies Long Lunch



Naremben Community Resource Centre

2/19 Churchill Street, Naremben WA 6369

Tel: (08) 9064 7055

www.naremben.crc.net.au

Shire of Naremben

1 Longhurst Street, Naremben WA 6369

Tel: (08) 9064 7308

www.naremben.wa.gov.au



1 Naremben Recreation Centre 2 Rolling views from Roe lookout 3 Spectacular wildflowers in season 4 Historic St Paul's Museum 5 Naremben Grain Discovery Centre

KONDININ

282km south-east of Perth

Kondinin was first settled in 1909 and surveyed in 1910 for selection for the early pioneer farmers. At this time, the red fertile loam soils were highly sought after by the pioneers for growing crops. Today, Kondinin is the main centre for the Shire, and plays a significant role in the state's agricultural industry.

Interesting places to visit are the Kondinin Lake, JS Roe Heritage Trail, Woorkakanin Rock, enjoy a stroll through natural woodlands on the Kondinin Bush Walk or head out to Yeerakine Rock for a picnic or to walk the trails through the beautiful bushland.

PLACES OF INTEREST

Kondinin Bush Walk

Natural woodland covering over 50 hectares.

Kondinin Lake

A salt lake situated 5 kilometres west of Kondinin. Great for water skiing and windsurfing and attracts waterbirds when full.

JS Roe Heritage Trail

Includes a mural of the JS Roe Expedition of 1848-49, Kondinin Well and Yeerakine Rock.

Woorkakanin Rock

Once used as a water supply for steam trains at Kondinin Railway Station and now part of the 18 hole Kondinin Golf Course.

Granite and Woodlands Discovery Trail

Runs between Hyden and Norseman and offers 16 designated places of interest, including natural and cultural history. See page 11.



Yeerakine Rock

Located 12 kilometres east of Kondinin offering shady picnic areas, two walk trails with interpretive signage and 360 degree views from the summit. Yeerakine Rock is also a great place to view wildflowers each September and October. Be sure to check out the new Light Horse memorial statue situated on top of the rock unveiled during the 2015 Anzac Day celebration.

Kondinin Centenary Walk

Located in the centre of Kondinin, next to the caravan park, stroll along the mosaic pathway and marvel at the collection of Ironman sculptures all built in 2010 to celebrate the town's centenary.

 **Kondinin Tourist Information**
Shire Office, Gordon Street
Kondinin WA 6367
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KARLGARIN

326km south-east of Perth

This town of less than 50 people was first settled in the early 1920s. View the Catholic Church with its unique stone frontage built in the 1960s. See a mosaic featuring the area's flora and fauna, also make sure you call in at Tressie's Museum. Scenic vistas can be seen at McCanns and the Karlgarin Hills.

HYDEN

342km south-east of Perth

Although best known for Wave Rock, there is so much more for travellers to do in and around the well-equipped and thriving community of Hyden, including amazing rock formations, dazzling wildflowers in season and clear starry nights. Be sure to visit Wave Rock, Mulka's Cave, Hippo's Yawn, Lake Magic and the State Barrier Fence - all of great geological and historical interest. From Hyden you can travel to Norseman through some of Australia's most pristine woodlands, the Granite and Woodlands Discovery Trail with 16 designated places of interest.

PLACES OF INTEREST

Wave Rock Walk

From the car park to the Rock, then along the foot of the wave formation to the old quarry site at the western end. It is 325 metres each way, flat and easy to walk. Features several shaded stone seats and quality interpretation about the formation of Wave Rock. The path links with Hippo's Yawn, The Breakers Trail and the Hyden Rock Walk.

The Breakers Trail

Follows Wave Rock initially, then branches off at the old quarry site and traces the foot of the outcrop to the historic Breakers picnic area. The trail is 675 metres each way, flat and easy to walk. Interpretative signs deal with both social history and aspects of the rock outcrop and the surrounding vegetation.

The Hippo's Yawn Loop

Follows the main path to the base of the Rock, then branches off to the east to follow the foot of the outcrop to Hippo's Yawn. From there it returns to the car park. The loop is 1,030 metres to the Yawn and a further 680 metres back to the car park, making it a total of 1,710 metres. The trail is well marked, flat and easy to walk.

The Wave Rock Circuit

Leads directly from main information signs in car park to Hippo's Yawn, then loops out through the salt lake landscape to the north of Hyden Rock, before returning to car park, café and shops. 3.6kms long, with wide flat surface. 15 interpretive panels range from Aboriginal and early settlement stories to birds, the night sky and weather. Suitable for families with small children in pushers or visitors with bicycles.

 **Hyden Tourist Information Centre**
Wave Rock Wildflower Shoppe
Wave Rock, Hyden WA 6359
Tel: (08) 9880 5182
www.waverock.com.au

Tressie's Museum & Caravan Park



21kms west of Wave Rock adjoining Karlgarin townsite, quiet location opposite wheat bin. Modern ablutions, camper's kitchen, drive thru bays, powered (\$27) & non-powered sites, lawn tent areas, budget accom, S/C chalet, TV reception, sullage dump. Visit museum to view our links with the past & a working display of gramophones. CMCA friendly.

4313 Kondinin-Hyden Rd, Karlgarin
Contact: Laurel Trestrail • PO Box 19, Karlgarin, 6358
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1 The Light Horse memorial statue, Yeerakine Rock 2 Aboriginal art, Mulka's Cave 3 Awesome Wave Rock 4 Hippo's Yawn



285km south-east of Perth

Famous for our quirky Tin Horse Highway drive, annual Bush Races event and giant waterslide, the vibrant Kulin region provides a true rural experience. Kulin is also the perfect base to explore the Eastern Wheatbelt and easy day trips can be made to many of the region's unique and iconic sights including Wave Rock. Kulin is very proud of the services and experiences available to visitors and we look forward to welcoming you soon.

PLACES OF INTEREST

Tin Horse Tourist Route

Make the most of your journey to Wave Rock! The fabulous 120km Tin Horse Tourist Route drive trail takes you to Wave Rock via Kulin and the famous Tin Horse Highway and offers an array of unique sights and experiences along the way.

Tin Horse Highway

Laugh your way along Western Australia's most hilarious highway. Dubbed a 'quirky open-air gallery', this famous collection of clever community art provides a seriously entertaining drive and is fast becoming a must see for travellers across Australia.

Discovery Zone

The new zone along Kulin's main street includes picnic facilities, public amenities, artworks and interpretative signage which tell of Kulin's past, present and future. It also contains a free 72 hour RV Friendly parking area which can be enjoyed by fully self-contained travellers.

Kulin Bush Races (Annual Event – Every October)

Indulge in spectacular scenery, rural hospitality, novelty events, camping, live entertainment, delicious food and horse racing at this iconic annual Outback event.

Giant Water Slide and Aquatic Centre

To fill your day with summer fun, don't miss regional Australia's BIGGEST waterslide, located at the vibrant Kulin Aquatic Centre. (Open during summer months).

Jilakin Lake and Rock

Stop and admire the breathtaking views from the top of Jilakin Rock or enjoy a picnic under the most inland stand of Jarrah tree's found in the area.

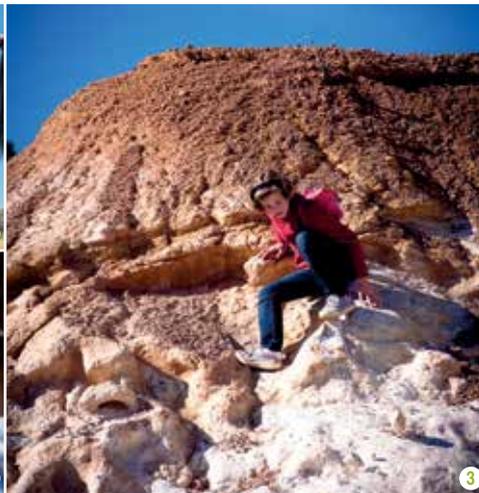
Buckley's Breakaway

The perfect spot for a picnic and a photographers delight. This picturesque landform displays a contrast of vibrant orange clays against spectacular white cliffs and gullies.



Kulin Visitor Information and Souvenirs

Kulin Community Resource Centre
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1 & 2 Take a drive along the hilarious Tin Horse Highway 3 Explore Buckley's Breakaway 4 Lots of fun at the Kulin Bush Races 5 Seasons Wheel at the Discovery Zone 6 Kulin's giant water slide

SHIRE OF LAKE GRACE

Population 1,456

The Shire of Lake Grace is a photographers dream with vast skies and horizons and a wonderful array of springtime wildflowers which bloom right through to summer. Located in the Southern Wheatbelt the Lake Grace region invites you to experience its wide open spaces and stars, vast salt lake environments along ancient river systems and friendly country towns where the locals always have time for chat and you can experience country hospitality at its best.

Travel our open roads and enjoy the natural beauty of the farming landscape sprinkled with natural salt lakes shimmering in shades of pinks, greens and mauves. Stop over at any of our town caravan parks and enjoy a warm country welcome.

See the countryside come alive with wildflowers in spring and take the time to enjoy the native wildlife in our larger than average nature reserves, perfect for picnics and hikers. You can check out the wildflower 'hotspots' at the Shire Visitor Centre located in the Lake Grace town centre or Tel: (08) 9865 2140 for information.

LAKE GRACE



345kms south east of Perth on the Esperance to Perth, Albany to Hyden crossroads.

Lake Grace is a thriving rural town and the major centre in the region. It was named after a shallow lake 10km west of the townsite. Lake Grace itself is one of Western Australia's largest inland salt lakes and a nationally significant wetland comprising of two separate bodies of water – Lake Grace North and Lake Grace South.

Lake Grace offers some fascinating public artwork from the story trail around the centre of town to the mural of pioneering women from the region.

Visit the restored Stationmaster's House now operating as the Shire Visitor Centre with local produce, arts and crafts on sale. Right next door is the Lake Grace Regional Artspace featuring exhibitions from local artists, guest exhibitors and artists in residence.

For heritage Lake Grace has the only remaining Australian Inland Mission Hospital in WA that has been restored as a museum. This museum is located at the western end of the town and provides a fascinating insight into the challenges faced by early settlers and how medical needs were catered for in the isolated inland. Follow the penny pathway from the park bay to the AIM to discover the story. You can also follow the trail to the Mosaic Garden Gallery which feature 365 mosaics created by locals to represent the past and present.

Sample wines from our local winery located 8km north of Lake Grace and don't miss a visit to Rifle Range Hill, 5kms east of town on the main road, ideal for viewing wildflowers between August and November each year.



Lake Grace Visitor Centre
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www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au

NEWDEGATE



397kms south east of Perth on the Esperance to Perth Route.

'Gateway to the Holland Track' - follow the traces of John Holland's 1893 epic journey when he and his partners cut the now famous Holland Track. Along the 'Track' explore the salt lakes along the ancient river systems and immerse yourself in the natural beauty of Dragon Rock Reserve resplendent in spring wildflowers.

Time your trip to include the Newdegate Machinery Field Days on the first Wednesday and Thursday in September each year when the town comes alive. Take a look at the satellite photo located at Pioneer Park in the town centre and get an overview of this ancient river system.

Whilst in town step back in time and visit the Hainsworth Museum to see a bygone era and many historical artefacts of the local general store.

LAKE KING



460kms south east of Perth on the Esperance Perth, Brookton Highway junction.

A small rural town on the fringe of the Wheatbelt's sheep and wheat farming country, the area truly comes alive during spring and boasts some of the districts best wildflowers. Walk trails through the town's bushland enable visitors to take short self guided walks and enjoy the wildflowers, native vegetation, birdlife and a little local history. Trail maps are available from local retail outlets.

South of the town, the Roe Heritage Trail retraces part of Surveyor General Roe's historical journey in 1848 and features flora and fauna reserves, historical sites and panoramic views of the countryside.

Travel 30kms east on the Lake King Norseman Road to the Rabbit Proof Fence which boasts a truly magnificent display of wildflowers when in season. Make sure you call in at the Lake King Tractor Museum with its exhibit of local farm tractors.

VARLEY

40kms south of Hyden on Brookton Highway.

A small community with the motto 'Great Place Small Crowd'. Travel from Varley to Hatters Hill or to the historic Rabbit Proof Fence that skirts the eastern end of the Shire.

The town rabbit cemetery is the community's tribute to the rabbit plague of the 1920s that was a major pestilence to early farmers in the Shire. Gold was discovered at Hatters Hill in the early part of the twentieth century and the small settlement is now uninhabited and an interesting spot for fossickers.

The town has a comprehensive museum established in 2001 with interesting displays of memorabilia and historic town records.



1 Pink lake just south of Lake Grace 2 The old Lake Grace Railway Station 3 Nat Fyfe country celebrated on the Lake Grace Hotel 4 Wander through Roe Heritage Trail

Self drives through the CENTRAL WHEATBELT

GOLDEN PIPELINE HERITAGE TRAIL

Duration: 2 to 4 days

Distance: One way

Perth to Kalgoorlie 650km

Road Conditions: Sealed road with short stretches of maintained unsealed road to attractions.

Accommodation: Bed & Breakfasts, farm stays, motels, hotels, caravan parks and RV camp sites.



THE GOLDEN PIPELINE
A NATIONAL TRUST PROJECT



Explore the route from Perth of a really impressive engineering feat, C.Y O'Connor's water pipeline constructed over 100 years ago. Visit the old pump station sites, like No.3 Pump Station preserved as the Cunderdin Museum and others historical landmarks or stabilised ruins. Marvel at the story and sites of the 1968 earthquake at Meckering and experience an earthquake simulation inside the Cunderdin Museum.

Don't miss the view from the lookout at Kellerberrin Hill as the pipeline takes you past rock water catchments and springtime wildflowers to Totadgin Conservation Park 14kms south of Merredin. Walk trails follow a 1890s water catchment scheme and rock channel from Railway Dam over the granite outcrop, Merredin Peak. Cross the original site of the Rabbit Proof Fence at Burracoppin and north from Carrabin to Westonia where history is preserved in the buildings facades and the remarkable Hood-Penn Museum with a mine blast simulation tunnel.

At Southern Cross take in the Yilgarn History Museum displays and collections. A remarkable early example of a timber and steel aqueduct is a feature of the Karalee Rock reservoir 50km east of Southern Cross. Natural history abounds as you travel through the Great Western Woodlands along the Great Eastern Highway following the Golden Pipeline Heritage Trail onto Coolgardie and Kalgoorlie.

PIONEERS' PATHWAY



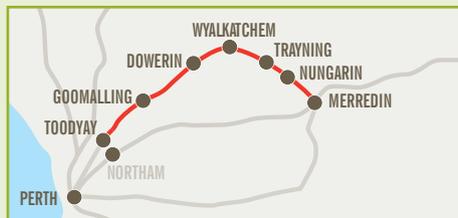
PIONEERS' PATHWAY

Duration: 2 to 4 days

Distance: One way Perth to Merredin 292km

Road Conditions: Sealed road with some unsealed roads into nature reserves.

Accommodation: Bed & Breakfasts, farm stays, motels, hotels, caravan parks and RV camp sites.



Take this delightful scenic route traversed by the early pioneers in search of farmland and the goldfields. Overnight in picturesque Toodyay nestled along the Avon River where you can soak up the rich farming history. Visit historic Slaters Homestead east of Goomalling, and north of Nungarin visit the National Trust Homestead of Mangowine which will take you back in time to the early pastoral days of the Wheatbelt.

World War II history comes alive at the Nungarin Heritage Machinery and Army Museum, the Merredin Military Museum and the First Australian General Field Hospital at Merredin Peak Reserve. One of the earliest bulk handling wheat bins now houses the Wyalkatchem Museum with heritage machinery and rare tractor displays. Also see the 1897 steam locomotive and Merredin history displays at the Railway Museum.

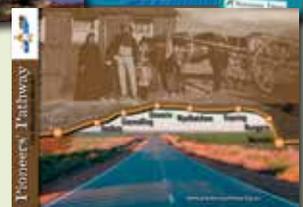
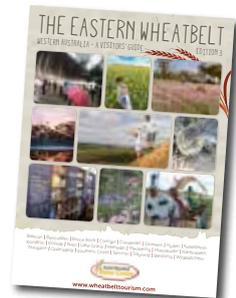
Take a stroll in bushland along the Tin Dog Creek Walk Trail at Dowerin or the many nature reserves such as Namelcatchem at Dowerin, Korrelocking at Wyalkatchem, Billyacatting at Trayning, Talgomine at Nungarin and Totadgin south of Merredin. The reserves protect large areas of natural bushland and granite outcrops where magnificent eucalypt trees dominate the landscape and seasonal wildflowers carpet the forest floor.



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CUNDERDIN

158km east of Perth

Cunderdin is a major Wheatbelt town situated on the Great Eastern Highway approximately a two hour drive from Perth. The town was settled and has evolved into the Wheatbelt centre it is today as a result of the development of the Coolgardie/Kalgoorlie Goldfields railway in 1894 and the Goldfields water supply pipeline in 1901. The Number 3 Pumping Station, one of eight which relayed water from Mundaring to Kalgoorlie along this pipeline was situated in Cunderdin. The heritage building now houses the amazing Cunderdin Museum.

PLACES OF INTEREST

Cunderdin Museum

The Museum is the central attraction to the Shire and many visitors comment that it is arguably one of the best rural Museums they have seen. Apart from the Pumping Station machinery and memorabilia, the large collection also includes Indigenous district culture, agricultural industry, railways, Cunderdin training aircraft from World War II, the original Quelagetting School, the Telegraph, Meckering earthquake simulator and much more. No visitor should miss the opportunity to experience the many displays offered which, together weave a rich historical tapestry of the district's heritage.

Cunderdin Hill Lookout

It appears quite inconspicuous, but it's definitely worth taking the time to venture to the top of Cunderdin Hill (1km south of the main street). You'll be greeted by 360-degree panoramic views of the town and surrounding farmland - a view that gives a real sense of the wide open spaces and big blue sky.

Ettamogah Pub

There's one landmark you certainly won't miss when you visit Cunderdin - the brightly coloured and rather distinctive Ettamogah Pub. Based on the well known comics of Ken Maynard - made famous by the Australian Post magazine - the pub is not only a novelty for tourists but an important central hub for residents in the Shire.

Bulgin Rock Reserve

Bulgin Rock, located on Collins Road is the perfect place to absorb the rolling landscape and it's easy to see why it's been a popular picnic spot for more than a century. Sitting amongst the sheoak woodland you'll probably glimpse a variety of birds and, at the right time of year an abundance of colourful wildflowers including a beautiful display of orchids.

Youndegin

Immerse yourself in our fascinating past by taking a trip to Youndegin (19km south of Cunderdin along the Cunderdin-Quairading Road, then left on the Goldfields Road), here you'll find the original police outpost. Built from stone and mud with a thatched roof, the outpost's answer to the modern day 'lock-up' was a nearby York Gum.

MECKERING

132km east of Perth

The name originates from a local Aboriginal language meaning 'Place of water' or 'Moon on water'. The town formerly called Beebering was established in 1887 then renamed Meckering in 1897. Today, Meckering is probably best known for the devastating earthquake in October 1968 with many of the place of interests relating to this event. Meckering is still a vibrant and thriving country community, although with its relatively small population the town is resilient and achieves more than many areas twice its size.

PLACES OF INTEREST

The Big Camera - Museum of Photography

It is impossible to miss this unique building on the Highway. An amazing history of photography is on display including a wonderful collection of earthquake images.

Meckering Earthquake Gazebo and Memorial Rose Garden

Explore the devastation of the 1968 Meckering earthquake firsthand at this impressive display which includes a section of the damaged railway line, a mangled piece of the Golden Pipeline, photographs, statistics and information. Take a stroll across the road to the beautiful memorial rose garden - a tribute to the dedication and hard work of many local volunteers.

Meckering Earthquake Farm Ruins

The Meckering earthquake registered 6.9 on the Richter Scale, crushing many of the town's buildings and residential properties. 'Salisbury' - an old stone homestead built in 1904 - was flattened during the quake and a local family narrowly missed tragedy managing to locate their child amongst the rubble. The ruins give an eerie insight into the scale of the devastation experienced (2km north of Meckering, turn off Meckering to Goomalling Road).

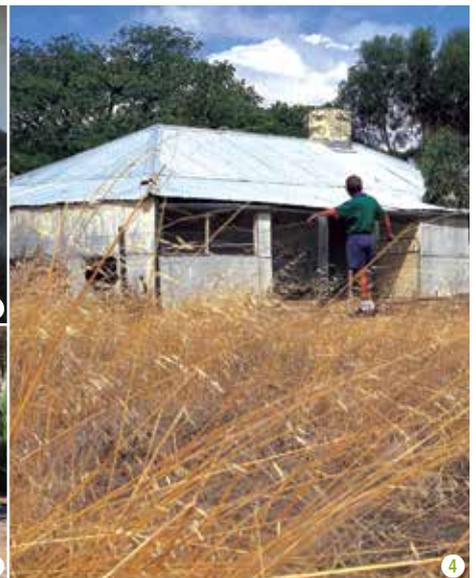
Meckering Earthquake Preserved Fault Line

While only lasting 40 seconds, the Meckering earthquake had a lifetime impact on this small Wheatbelt town. Leaving a scar 32km long and in some parts up to 2m high, the earthquake literally tore open the earth. You can still see 1km of the fault line that's been preserved for viewing (12km south of Meckering on York-Meckering Road).



Cunderdin Tourist Centre

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www.cunderdin.wa.gov.au



1 Cunderdin Museum 2 Pump room at Cunderdin Museum 3 Wheatbelt relics 4 Wheatbelt history, Youndegin Homestead, Cunderdin

KELLERBERRIN



202km east of Perth

Kellerberrin is situated in the hub of the historically rich Wheatbelt region. A comfortable 2½ hours drive from Perth along the Goldfields Trail makes Kellerberrin the perfect town to set up base for self drive discoveries in the surrounding area.

The town offers all the modern facilities for visitors who are passing through or stopping over including a supermarket, accommodation, caravan park, chemist, doctor's surgery, hospital and much more.

The countryside around Kellerberrin just beckons to be explored. Sweeping golden plains lead to stunning natural attractions, rocky outcrops and scenic hills, giving a panoramic perspective of the region. In springtime, the countryside blooms as a parade of wildflowers adorn the roadside, hills and plains.

Discover a bygone era along the heritage walking trail. Start at the historical museum then take a leisurely hour-long walk through the town past charming historic buildings and churches, concluding at the stunning Kellerberrin Hill Lookout.

PLACES OF INTEREST

Museum

The Agricultural Hall was the first building to be built in Kellerberrin in 1897. The Hall itself has had a colourful life, also serving as a school, courthouse and Road Board Offices. Don't miss the surrounding Pioneer Park; it sets the scene, displaying farming machinery through the ages.

Centenary Park

Relax in the centre of town in this shady park featuring children's playground, heritage walkway and barbecue facilities.

Kellerberrin Hill Lookout

Walk or drive to take in the breathtaking views from the lookout. This is a special treat in spring as the hill supports a mass of native wildflowers.

Kokerbin Rock

30 kilometres from Kellerberrin, Kokerbin Rock is the third largest monolith in WA. The area contains a mini Wave Rock, Dog Rock, Devils Marbles and a historic well. A walk to the top of the rock provides panoramic views of the countryside.

Wildflowers

From August to November, follow the flowers along the Kellerberrin/Bencubbin Road to Durokoppin Reserve. This 1,500 acre reserve of woodland, heath and mallee supports a wide variety of flora and fauna. Discover tea trees, wattle and grevillea amongst a colourful array of species. Free information maps are available from Kellerberrin Community Resource Centre.

Milligan Homestead

While taking the Kellerberrin/Bencubbin Road, look out for the homestead some 10 kilometres north of the town. Built from local field stone in 1871, it can be viewed from the roadside.

Mt Stirling / Mt Caroline

Head 25 kilometres south of Kellerberrin to capture the magnificent views of these giant granite outcrops. These formations hold great importance to the Njaki Njaki people through their association to the Dreamtime sacred snake, the Moulack. Today these rocks are inhabited by a rare species, the black footed rock wallaby.

Doodlakine Well Site

The well was the reason for the existence of this once bustling town. Today follow a heritage walk trail to the well.

Baandee Ski Lake

Depending on the time of year and the rainfall, the lakes may be full of water or nothing more than a layer of salt. When full, enjoy the excitement of water skiing.

Kellerberrin Caravan Park

The RV friendly Kellerberrin Caravan Park offers powered sites, cosy rooms with shared facilities, modernised communal kitchen, new toilet block and wifi available. Tel: 0428 138 474 or check us out at wikicamps.com.au



Kellerberrin Community Resource Centre

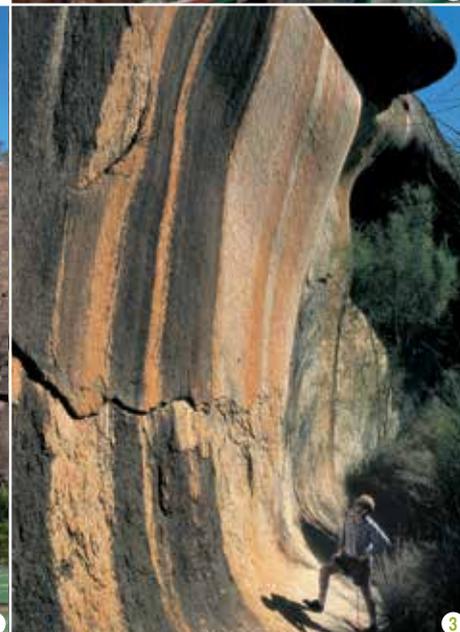
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1 Enjoy great views of Mount Stirling 2 Amazing views from Kellerberrin Hill Lookout 3 See the formations of Kokerbin Rock

MERREDIN  
260km east of Perth

A comfortable 3 hour drive or rail trip from Perth or Kalgoorlie, Merredin is the perfect place from which to explore the Central Wheatbelt. With a variety of cafes, restaurants, accommodation, great shopping, children's playgrounds, and all the services provided by a regional centre Merredin is the ideal stopover. A variety of attractions invite you to stay a few days to explore further off the busy highway and into the scenic countryside.

Transport and the harvesting of grain give the major impetus to the town's economy. The CBH grain handling terminal is capable of storing up to 460,000 tonnes of grain. The region supplies up to 40% of the state's grain harvest.

Merredin Peak, adjacent to the town, is a massive granite rock that provided water for the early Aboriginal people and then explorers, sandalwood cutters and prospectors as they moved inland and settled the original town site of Merredin at the base of the rock.

A variety of conservation parks and nature reserves offer interpretive walks among natural bushland settings and granite outcrops. The district has over 980 species of wildflowers which are stunning during late winter and spring after good rains. Numerous heritage sites, museums and military sites relating to the town's role in World War II take you back in time.

Stay overnight and take in a show at historic Cummins Theatre, dine out or visit the museums and enjoy the ambiance of a friendly country town. For more information on Cummins Theatre shows, accommodation, places to eat and annual Wheatbelt events visit wheatbelttourism.com or Tel: 1300 736 283.

Visit by Train

Enjoy travelling to Merredin on the comfortable air-conditioned daily Prospector Transwa service. Visit www.transwa.wa.gov.au or 1300 662 205 for bookings and enquiries.



1 Historic Cummins Theatre 2 Railway Dam Walk Trails

PLACES OF INTEREST

Merredin Peak & Railway Dam

Part of the Golden Pipeline Heritage Trail and the early water catching scheme for the steam locomotives, the Peak offers two walk trails. Interpretive signage tells the story of the engineering techniques of building the stone contour wall, rock channel and railway dam in 1893. Merredin Peak is a free 24 hour self-contained RV site. Adjacent to the Peak is the World War II remains of the 2/1 Australian General Hospital. A drive around the site explains the history of the construction and reason for this inland hospital.

Pioneer Park, Merredin Railway & Military Museums

Wander among massive steam engines and rolling stock or climb the signal tower for a view and insight into the amount of signal leavers necessary to operate this once major rail hub. Military buffs will be impressed with 'Huey' a former RAAF and Army Aviation Iroquois UH-1H helicopter along with large collections of vehicles, equipment and memorabilia from WWI onwards. In Pioneer Park the original timber and iron railway water storage tank stands tall on the skyline over the Great Eastern Highway.

Merredin Heritage, Walk & Cycle Trails

Take a 2km walk around Merredin's CBD featuring historic sites and heritage buildings including Cummins Theatre, Merredin Courthouse and Town Hall. Bring your bike and cycle or walk the extended Merredin North (8km) and South (15km) Trails which are also pet friendly. Pick up a Merredin Walk & Cycle Trails brochure from the Central Wheatbelt Visitor Centre for a guide to these multi-purpose trails.

Cummins Theatre

This beautifully restored heritage listed theatre was originally part of the Tivoli Theatre built in Coolgardie in 1898. It was relocated, railed and rebuilt in Merredin by James Cummins in 1928. Today it holds a variety of live touring productions, films and theatrical performances throughout the year. Visit www.cumminstheatre.com.au for shows and bookings.

Totadgin Conservation Park

Just 14km south of Merredin on the Bruce Rock Road is one of early surveyor Charles Hunt's historic hand built stone wells and a site on the Golden Pipeline Heritage Trail. There are interpretive walk trails to a mini wave rock formation in a natural woodland reserve setting. Springtime wildflowers make it an ideal picnic spot.

Collgar Wind Farm

Located 25km south east of Merredin, this extensive inland Wind Farm covers 18,000 hectares and contains 111 turbines which generate enough power to supply 125,000 homes. It is the largest single stage wind farm in the southern hemisphere to date. An informative interpretive shelter is located on Bulls Head Road.

Self-Drive Trails

Merredin is on the Golden Pipeline Heritage Trail (Mundaring to Kalgoorlie) and The Pioneers' Pathway (Toodyay to Merredin) which both provide historical attractions and interpretive sites. Pick up a Golden Pipeline Heritage Trail brochure or Pioneers' Pathway guide book before you set off and enhance your experience. Other suggested self-drives take in features of the Rabbit Proof Fence and in season we recommend wildflower trails.

UPCOMING EVENTS

19th March 2016
Merredin Show

8th May 2016
Destination Merredin
www.destinationmerredin.com

March - December
Merredin Markets
4th Sunday of the month from 9am - 1pm

 **Central Wheatbelt Visitor Centre**
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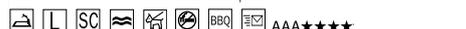
Merredin Tourist Park



Located in the heart of the Wheatbelt, just 260km from Perth, this caravan park offers everything from camping through to luxury villas.

- Swimming Pool
- Wireless Internet
- Barbeques

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Web: www.merredintouristpark.com.au



WESTONIA



316km east of Perth

'Wessy', as the locals call it, is located just over 3 hours' drive to the east of Perth, where the Wheatbelt meets the Goldfields. The town owes its origin to gold mining, although now it relies to a large extent on wheat and sheep farming. In 1915 Westonia had two mines in operation and by 1917 there was a population in excess of 2,000. This quickly diminished when all mining ceased in 1948.

The Edna May Mine is now in its third phase of operation after operations between 1985 and 1992 when it was reopened by Catalpa Resources in 2010 and then taken over by Evolution Mining in 2011 and the Edna May Gold Mine, to the north of the town, is still in operation today, producing on average 90,000 ounces of gold per annum.

The town is located along the Golden Pipeline Heritage Trail and also the Wheatbelt Way self-drive trails and boasts a beautifully built historic façade main street, but don't be deceived, inside what appears to be historic pubs and shops you will find a museum and the Shire offices.

PLACES OF INTEREST

Hood-Penn Museum

This museum features a variety of social history scenes showcasing early life in the Shire. The museum also includes a mine tunnel and a blast simulation that aims to replicate life in an early Westonian gold mine. Open hours: Mon-Fri 9am-4.30pm and Sat-Sun 10am-12pm.

Wolfram Street

This is the charming main street of the town with its historic buildings and new buildings built in a historic style. You will see the facades of the town's original bank, café, hotel, fire station, boarding house and green grocer.

Nature Trail

Walk along the bio diverse nature trail through some 4,000 hectares of natural woodlands or take a picnic at one of several nature reserves with spectacular rock formations

Elachbutting Rock

Located 100km north of Westonia or 75km north-east of Mukinbudin on the Echo Valley - Elachbutting Road. The name Elachbutting means 'big thing standing' a prominent landmark which has excellent views from the top. It has two spectacular colourful waves, a 40m tunnel 'Montys Pass' caused by a rock slide and a large acoustic cave named 'Kings Cave'.

Baladjie Rock

Baladjie rock is located on the Koorda-Bullfinch Road 42km north-east of Westonia. Extensive granite outcrops in attractive woodland setting adjacent to Baladjie Lake. Climb the main rock for spectacular views

of the nearby lake system and surrounding landscape. This is a popular camping spot in the milder months.

Westonia Common and Reserve/Boodalin Soak

Westonia is nestled inside a common of 5,600 hectares of remnant woodland. Situated 6km west from Westonia just off Stoneman Road, Boodalin Soak was a historic water and rest place for travellers to the Goldfields and was the place of capture for Moondyne Joe (Western Australia's best known bushranger) in 1866. The stonework is an early example of circular dry stone wall construction. An array of wildflowers is also prevalent at the Soak in season.

Yanneymoon Rock and Reserve

Located on the corner of Elachbutting and Echo Valley Roads, 75km north of Westonia this 513 hectare reserve comprises granite rock formations and bushland. Spot the abundant ornate dragon lizard (Ctenophorus ornatus) which is an inhabitant of Yanneymoon Rock and an abundance of everlastings and other wildflowers in season.

Sandford Rocks Nature Reserve

10kms north east of Westonia you will experience 806 hectares of granite outcrop, pools, wildflowers scrub and woodland. Silver Mallee and Purple Peacock Beetles are thought to exist only on the granite outcrops in this reserve. Try your luck at locating many species of birds from the newly constructed bird hide located on the walk trail, on the edge of the ephemeral rock pool.

Chiddaracoping Reserve

This is a reserve covering 5,262 hectares 50kms north of Westonia and has abundant and unique flora and fauna such as the cowslip orchid. The reserve is home to the lesser bottlebrush or Callistemon Phoeniceus one of only two bottlebrush species native to South West WA.

Wildflowers

Westonia has a fantastic array of wildflowers that bloom from late August to early October. These include Red Morrell Eucalypts, everlastings and orchids along Westonia's walk trail. At Elachbutting Rock also see wattles, senna, grevilleas and hakeas.

Edna May Lookout

Located on the old Warrachuppin Road, exit off Boodarockin Road at northern end of Westonia townsite. View the operational mine clearly and maybe see a blast. Blast times available from Shire office, Tel: (08) 9046 7063.

PLACES TO EAT AND DRINK

Westonia Gallery Café

An original 1916 shop serving the best Swan Valley roasted coffee as well as showcasing art, photography and jewellery. Tel: (08) 9046 7200 or see www.westoniagallery.com.au

Westonia Tavern

Serving drinks all days from 4pm, dinner every night, lunches Fri and Sun (08) 9046 7021.

Carrabin Roadhouse Hotel/Motel

Bar open from noon all days, lunch and dinner daily (08) 9046 7162.

Westonia Community Cooperative

Providing lunches and all your grocery needs open Mon-Fri 8am-5pm and Sat 8am-12pm (08) 9046 7222.

ACCOMMODATION

Westonia is an 'RV Friendly Town' and has a range of accommodation including the Shire of Westonia Caravan Park, Westonia Tavern, Carrabin Roadhouse Hotel/Motel & Caravan Park and 48 hour Casual Parking at St Luke's Church. For more information visit www.westonia.wa.gov.au

CARRABIN



306km east of Perth, 291km east of Kalgoorlie

Located on the Great Eastern Highway, 42kms from Merredin and 66kms from Southern Cross, an ideal refuelling location. The Carrabin Roadhouse Motel serves meals every day, bar open from noon and provides overnight accommodation.



Shire of Westonia

41 Wolfram Street
Westonia WA 6423
Tel: (08) 9046 7063
www.westonia.wa.gov.au



1 See the exhibits at Hood-Penn Museum 2 Sandford Rock bird hide 3 Edna May Mine lookout 4 Explore the wave at Elachbutting Rock

SOUTHERN CROSS



368km east of Perth

The town of Southern Cross was founded in 1888 by Tom Riseley and Mick Toomey, who named the locality after the stars that guided them to the place. Today all the streets and the salt lake in the area are named after stars and constellations.

If you are sightseeing or just taking a break from driving there are many interesting sites within the town. Located in the main street, you can rest a while under the shade of a gum tree in the Rotary Park, with well appointed BBQ and toilet facilities. Visit the Shire Office for all tourist information, reminisce at the Yilgarn Historical Museum, or even visit some of the other towns located within the Shire such as, Bodallin, Moorine Rock, Bullfinch and Marvel Loch.

PLACES OF INTEREST

(In Southern Cross)

Yilgarn History Museum

The building was the state's first Registrar's Office and Courtroom, where Arthur Bayley registered his claim for the fields at Coolgardie, and where Paddy Hannan took out his Miner's Right. Open hours: Mon-Sat 9.30am-12pm, and 1.30-4pm, Sun: 1.30pm-4pm.

Wimmera Hill Lookout

This lookout allows visitors to view the townsite of Southern Cross, the surrounding farmland and gold mines.

PLACES OF INTEREST

(Along your journey out of Southern Cross)

Karalee Dam

Collecting water running off the rocks, the construction of this significant aqueduct was made to provide water to the dam for slow steam trains en route to Kalgoorlie. It has excellent picnic and camping facilities and is located 56 kilometres east along the Great Eastern Highway.

Frog Rock

A miniature wave-like formation, dam and picnic area located 30 kilometres southwest of Southern Cross.

Marvel Loch

This town is located 35 kilometres south of Southern Cross and was named after the horse that won the Caulfield Cup in 1905. Gold was discovered in the area in 1906 and mining operations are ongoing today.

Mount Palmer

This bustling town and gold mine operated from 1934-1944. See the remains of the once 'most pretentious pub in WA' and abandoned mining operations. With informative signage it is located 46 kilometres south-east from Southern Cross. Road conditions vary seasonally; check with Shire for updates.

SPECIAL EVENTS

King of the Cross

An annual event held by the Southern Cross Motorcycle Club, drawing competitors from all over the country and overseas for the richest motocross prize pool in Australia, \$45,000. Held just a few kilometres from Southern Cross on a world-class motocross track that includes excellent camping facilities, it is an event that keeps growing every year, attracting thousands of spectators. A two day event that includes a 'Kid of the Cross' and 'Queen of the Cross' as well as a 'King of the Cross', it is a weekend enjoyed by all.

Yilgarn Agricultural Show

Held annually since 1957, the Yilgarn Agricultural Show is a fun-filled day enjoyed by all ages. With many exhibitions showcasing agriculture, mining and local talents there is something for everyone. Starting with a parade and concluding with fireworks, there is so much more in between. Rides, sideshow alley and showbags are just the beginning! A great family day not to be missed.

UPCOMING EVENTS

26 January 2016

Australia Day Celebration at the Southern Cross Oval from 4.30pm onwards

25 April 2016

ANZAC Day at Southern Cross War Memorial. 6am Dawn Service and 11am main service

6-7 August 2016

King of the Cross motocross competition

3 September 2016

Yilgarn Agricultural Show

Dates to be announced

Collectors Fair, Car Show and Swap Meet



Southern Cross Visitor Information

Shire Office,
Antares Street
Southern Cross WA 6426
Tel: (08) 9049 1001
www.yilgarn.wa.gov.au



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1 Rotary Park 2 King of the Cross 3 Yilgarn History Museum 4 Karalee Flume

The WHEATBELT WAY Drive Trail

BRIGHT SKIES. BIG HORIZONS

The Wheatbelt Way self drive trail, will lead visitors on an adventurous interpretive journey to the regional communities of Dowerin, Wyalkatchem, Koorda, Bencubbin, Beacon, Westonia, Mukinbudin, Nungarin and Trayning, their natural attractions, history and heritage while offering unique opportunities to stay and experience the friendly communities and open landscapes.

Duration: 3 - 5 days or more

Distance: Approximately 900km - 1,000km

Road Conditions: Sealed with stretches of good unsealed road to rock and bushland features.

This journey offers a memorable contrast of open farmlands, large rocky outcrops, with a profusion of bird and animal life. You will marvel at the fascinating ways water was collected in the area, from the natural and Aboriginal gnamma holes, the pastoralist's and prospector's wells to the water harvested from granite rocks in more recent time.

Depending on seasonal conditions there are carpets of small pink and yellow everlastings and numerous flowering shrubs, hakea, grevillea, wattle and eremophila, senna, dampiera and verticordia. Native orchids can be found, in early spring at the damp base of the granite outcrops while later in the season red bottlebrush and kunzea grow between the cracks.

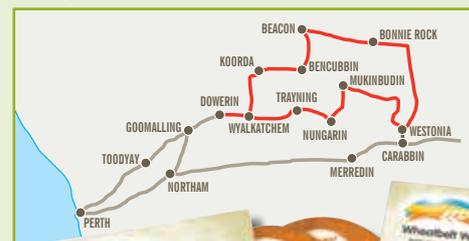
Bird lovers will also find numerous birds wherever there is water collected on the granite rocks. Some of the rocks are massive with waves, caves and a tunnel. Views from the top are always breathtaking.

A variety of museums include, army, hospital, early farm machinery, the first CBH bulk handling wheat bin and a pioneer town house.

For the blokes a visit to the many men's sheds with their old operating farm machinery is a highlight. While the ladies may like to join their country cousins at any of the several quilting and craft groups.

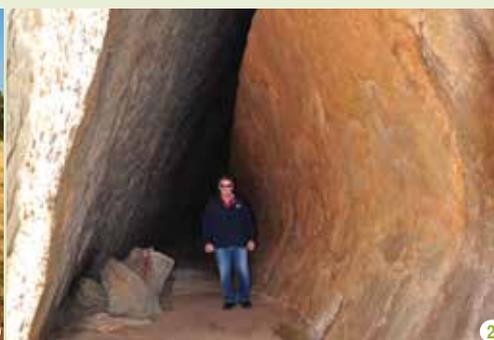
Wondering where to stay?

There are excellent caravan parks available in most towns with cabin accommodation or camp under the stars at free camping sites with toilets, BBQs and picnic tables. For more personalised service try a country pub or any of the B&Bs available (bookings advised).



Your free Wheatbelt Way Map and 50 page self drive guide book can be collected from any of the Community Resource Centres or Shire Council Offices in participating Shires. With detailed information on each of the nine towns and sections on each of the 24 interpretive sites as well as two audio CDs with dramatised stories to guide you on your journey through the north-eastern Wheatbelt.

Visit the Wheatbelt Way website to request for these products to be posted out to you www.wheatbeltway.com.au or call the Central Wheatbelt Visitor Centre 1300 736 283.



1 Pergande Sheep Yards 2 Monty's Pass, Elachbutting Rock 3 Beringbooding Rock with Gnamma hole

DOWERIN

156km north-east of Perth



Dowerin is 156km east of Perth, or an easy two hour drive via Northam or Toodyay. Nestled amongst open paddocks of golden wheat and grazing sheep, Dowerin is located on the popular Wheatbelt Way or Pioneers' Pathway self drive trails. It is a well serviced country town with a district high school, community club, bakery, two banks, various other retail stores and a variety of community groups and sporting clubs.

First settlement took place in 1897 to establish the farming culture which remains the mainstay of business today. Dowerin is located on the Goldfields Track and has a series of wells marking the way to Yilgarn and the Goldfields. Some of these wells were constructed prior to 1865.

Dowerin has many natural attractions including rocky outcrops, reserves with a multitude of flora and fauna and is also a place rich in history. Enjoy the historical walk trail around town, visit 'Rusty' the Tin Dog or just sit in Centenary Park with a cuppa and watch the world go by.

PLACES OF INTEREST

'Rusty' the Tin Dog

'Rusty' the Tin Dog stands guard at the west entrance to town. This was an innovative project designed by students from Dowerin District High School in 2004 who were inspired after discovering the legend of Tin Dog Creek. Parking and picnic facilities are available at the adjacent information bay on Goldfields Road.

Tin Dog Creek Walk Trail and Bird Hide

The walk trail is just off Redding Road, approximately 100m from the Information Bay on Goldfields Road. Walk through some of the last strands of untouched natural bush in the Wheatbelt by choosing one of 2 trails (long or short). Several interpretive panels are located along the trail providing interesting information about the surroundings. Some features along the way include the Kangaroo Freeway, the Gimlet and York Gum Wonderland, Melaleuca Maze and the Hobbits Forest.

Dowerin Museum

Located on Cottrell Street, opposite Anderson Street. This original 1915 residence is bursting with artefacts and memorabilia. Built in 1915 by Mr Eugene O'Shaughnessy, the old O'Shaughnessy family home has been restored and filled with furnishings from yesteryear to create an authentic feel to this museum. Further to the ambience of the cottage, a wander in the backyard reveals a reconstructed saddlery and shed complete with blacksmiths and saddlery tools. Can be viewed by appointment only. Please call the Shire Office on 9631 1202 to arrange viewing.

Minnivale

Once a bustling town, Minnivale is now home to a spectacular array of wildflowers from July to October. Driving through Minnivale today you will see the brick store built in 1921 still displaying advertisements from long ago, the church built in 1925 and the old baker's oven still standing in the main street.

A new history is emerging in Minnivale with the development of the Wheatbelt Heritage Rail Project based out of the former CBH Wheat Bin. Although in its early stages, work has commenced to transform the former Wheat Bin into a Heritage Rail Interpretative Centre celebrating the past using today's technology featuring a light and sound show, operating steam experience and interactive displays. Transporting passengers to a time gone by, heritage steam and diesel locomotives will conduct excursions from Goomalling via Dowerin to Wyalkatchem. Complete with saloon, buffet and sleeping cars, the heritage trains will operate to service community and tourist events.

Namelcatchem Well

Namelcatchem Well is located in a 600 acre DPaW Class A1 Reserve, 17km east of Dowerin, at the intersection of the Cunderdin-Minnivale and Goomalling-Merredin Roads. Built sometime before 1865, making it the earliest European built structure in the area, this well was initially used to provide water for miners and travellers. Later horse teams carting wheat to Minnivale found it essential as it held sufficient water for 70 horses.

The Rabbit Proof Fence No.2

This fence runs north/south through the eastern third of the Shire. It was built in 1907/1908 and much of the fence remains in good condition. Mile posts mark the distance from the south coast. The fence originally went from Point Anne to north of Cue, where it turned east to join Rabbit Proof Fence No.1 at Gum Creek.

It is one of three long fences in the state designed to control the rabbit plague, which could wreak enormous havoc in agricultural areas. The fences failed in their purpose, although much time and money was expended to make them work. They stand as a monument to human intention to control a pest, which was and is a national problem.

Dowerin GWN7 Machinery Field Days

This annual event is held on the last Wednesday and Thursday of August. It provides manufacturers an opportunity to exhibit and demonstrate farm machinery, equipment and allied industries to primary producers, city and overseas visitors. Approximately 20,000 visitors flock to Dowerin over these two days and it gets bigger every year. 2014 saw the 50th Anniversary of the Field Days which is an amazing accomplishment for the Dowerin Events Management and the community of Dowerin.

Wildflowers

Dowerin has several reserves within the Shire which are home to an array of wildflowers, native bush and abundant wildlife. Most wildflowers can be observed between July and October, but as wildflowers are heavily dependent on rainfall during winter, the more rain, the more wildflowers there are to enjoy. Hotspots include Tin Dog Creek Reserve, Namelcatchem Reserve and Minnivale Reserve. Some orchid species spotted include Donkey, Bunny, Leek and Spider. Many species of flowering wattles, grevillea and hakea can be seen on road verges and throughout the reserves, while pink, white and yellow everlastings can sometimes form a carpet of colour from late August through to October.



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1 Nostalgic reminders at Minnivale 2 Get up close to huge farm machinery at Dowerin Machinery Field Days 3 Meet 'Rusty' the Tin Dog

WYALKATCHEM



192km north-east of Perth

'Welcome to Wylie' you'll hear the locals say! The friendly country spirit is alive and well here at this 'strange name, beaut place'. An easy 2 hour drive from Perth via Northam or Toodyay, Wyalkatchem lies east of Perth on the Toodyay-Goomalling-Merredin Road, along the popular Pioneers' Pathway and Wheatbelt Way self drive routes.

The first recorded exploration was in 1846, guided by local Aboriginals. Settlers first arrived in 1904 however it was not until 1908 that the townsite was officially declared.

The district is a thriving grain and sheep farming region, producing some 895,500 kilograms of wool and 115,000 tonnes of wheat annually. Wyalkatchem is well served by a district high school, medical centre, golf course and many active community and sporting clubs, and annually hosts the Aglime invitation 20/20 cricket competition in October and Racewars annual event.

PLACES OF INTEREST

CBH Museum

Wyalkatchem is renowned as the 'cradle of bulk handling' in WA, it was here the first delivery of bulk wheat was received from Korrelocking on 9 November 1931. The original wheat bin attracts many visitors and the CBH Museum houses an impressive collection of early farming equipment including the 'Waterloo Boy' - one of the first John Deere tractors and one of a few remaining in Australia.

Wyalkatchem Town Heritage Walk

The town boasts many fine historical buildings from the early 1900s, including the Railway Station, Wyalkatchem Town Hall and the School Master's House. A Wyalkatchem Town Heritage Walk leaflet is available at the Visitor Centre.

Old School House

Pay a visit to the old school house and see life from a bygone era, it houses the old switchboard from the telephone exchange and various old printing machines. Viewing by appoint. Contact Pat Jones (08) 9681 1036 or Wendy Begley (08) 9681 1397.

Walk-A-Wyal Tracks

Nature lovers are well catered for with the Walk-A-Wyal Tracks in and around the Wyalkatchem townsite. Located at the eastern end of Piesse Street, this walk trail consists of 3 different tracks, marked by yellow, blue and red triangles where you can observe unique flora and fauna in the peaceful surrounds of some of the oldest bushland reserves in WA.

Cowcowing Lake

Cowcowing Lake lies 26km to the north of town on the Wyalkatchem-Koorda Road. The lake gives its name to Cowcowing siding. The lake covers an area of 15,000 hectares and on rare occasions when the lake is full, locals use it to water ski. The Cowcowing Cemetery is on the edge of the Wyalkatchem- Koorda Road.

Yorkrakine Rock

A 30 minute drive south of town on the Tammin Road, Yorkrakine Rock is a spectacular granite outcrop rising 341 metres and covering an area of some 160 hectares, making it an ideal spot for picnics (toilets available) and bush walking. During spring, the reserve comes alive with stunning wildflowers and orchids.

Korrelocking Reserve

Site 4 on the 'Wheatbelt Way' self drive trail, Korrelocking Reserve lies 7km east of town along the Nungarin-Wyalkatchem Road. The reserve covers 259 hectares of pristine bushland with some great examples of Salmon Gums and Gimlets. It is a picturesque picnic spot especially during wildflower season, with tables, toilets, interpretative signage, marked walk trail and pioneer well. Some 44 bird species have been recorded at the reserve including Pacific Heron, Black-shouldered Kite, Whistling Kite, Little Eagle, Black-tailed native-hen and Long-billed Corella.

Historic Wyalkatchem Well

Site 5 on the 'Wheatbelt Way' self drive trail, Wyalkatchem Well (commonly known as 'Wyalkatchem Tank') is situated on the outskirts of town, some 10 metres from the south side of the Goldfields Road within the Wyalkatchem Golf Course. Wyalkatchem Well is unique with its rectangular shaped granite walls, constructed by John Haywood for the Toodyay Roads Board in 1881 and later utilised as a water source for early steam locomotives.

Where to Stay

Wyalkatchem is an ideal base to explore nearby attractions. The town also has a caravan park, hotel, barracks and self contained holiday home. Contact the Visitor Centre for further information.

A register of local businesses and contact details is available on the Shire's website.



Wyalkatchem Visitor Centre

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www.wyalkatchem.wa.gov.au



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1 CBH Agricultural Museum 2 Beautiful wildflowers in Spring 3 CBH Museum display 4 Town Hall 5 The School House Museum 6 Wyalkatchem Well

TRAYNING



235km east of Perth

Trayning lies 250 kilometres east of Perth on the Goomalling/Merredin Road and is mostly a wheat farming community, with coarse grains and various livestock. There are three townships in the Shire, Trayning, Kununoppin and Yelbeni. Trayning has many natural granite outcrops, native birds, insects, reptiles, woodlands and stunning panoramas of wildflowers in season, all easily accessible.

PLACES OF INTEREST

Billycatting Hill

On the Shire's eastern boundary, 27 kilometres east of Trayning this 2,500 hectare flora and fauna reserve is a nature lover's delight, especially during wildflower season.

Yarragin Rock

24 kilometres north-east of Trayning, Yarragin Rock consists of twin monoliths rising from a flat granite outcrop and is visible from a great distance.

Gnamma Holes

Gnamma holes are located 18 kilometres north of Trayning. Birds and other wildlife frequent the area and the perimeters near the gnamma holes are also good places to search for orchids and other wildflowers during springtime.

Trayning Centenary Walk Trail

Starting at Railway Street Centenary Wall and winding through the Tree Library, the walk includes 15 local historical sites situated throughout the town, each sign posted with information and photos of the site's individual history.

Yelbeni Heritage Museum

The township of Yelbeni has its own Heritage Museum situated 14 kilometres west of Trayning. The Museum provides an insight into the region's pioneering days.

Trayning Well

Situated on the old road from Goomalling to the Goldfields. The name first appeared on surveyor John Forrest's map in 1869. 4.5km north of the present townsite on the Bencubbin/Kellerberrin Road (Lot 10541), the well was gazetted on 20 December 1906. It is believed the well was constructed by Charles Adams who was responsible for the stone lining of a number of wells on the Goldfields route.



Trayning Visitor Information

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1&2 Explore the rocks around Billycatting Hill 3 Yelbeni Museum 4 Wildflower season, perfect for a picnic

SHIRE OF MUKINBUDIN

Population 700



300km north-east of Perth

Mukinbudin is situated along the Wheatbelt Way self-drive trail. This is a friendly and vibrant community which gets plenty of positive feedback for its welcoming people and facilities. Along the Wheatbelt Way, explore the massive granite outcrops of Mukinbudin and the Central Wheatbelt. This self-drive route includes Beringbooding Rock, which has one of the largest rock water catchment tanks in Australia, built in 1937 and holding two and a quarter million gallons. Beringbooding has an amazing balancing boulder, a huge gnamma hole and some of the Kalamaia tribe's paintings of hands in a cave at the rear of the rock.

PLACES OF INTEREST

Elachbutting Rock

Nearby is Elachbutting Rock; explore this massive granite outcrop with its spectacular waves, tunnel and cavern, prospector's well, and superb wildflowers during the season.

Wattoning Historical Site

This was a significant historical settlement used for carting water at the turn of the century. Precious water was carted from a gnamma hole (water lifted by bucket tied to a rope),

a soak and two wells constructed by early pastoralists, skilfully lined with rocks. These wells are still in good condition today. Three lonely graves of two babies and an earlier pioneer remind us of time gone by. The remains of an early homestead with fruit trees can be found nearby. This site has excellent interpretation signage.

Weira Reserve

Just 20km east of the Mukinbudin townsite is Weira Reserve. Here you will see a breakaway area with gnamma hole. Barbecue, toilets and picnic facilities are available. Seek out the shy native orchids in the damp areas of the bush trail, also the Red Capped Robin.

Wildflowers

Throughout the Shire you will find numerous types of wildlife and flora. When flowering, the Kunzea pulchella can be found in both the red and white varieties as well as native orchids such as Cowslip, Patricia's Spider and Donkey Orchids, the 'Silver Princess' (Eucalyptus caesia) and one sided bottlebrush flower profusely. Depending on seasonal conditions, carpets of small pink everlasting can be seen throughout the Shire.

Pope's Hill

Situated 8kms east of the townsite, this site honours and tells the story of Colonel Harold Pope, John Mulqueeny and the

returning soldiers who contributed greatly to the development of farming land in the Lake Brown area, which was the first large scale Soldier Settlement Scheme in Western Australia.

Unique Grain Storage Silo, Mukinbudin Men's Shed, Botanical Walk, Goodchild's Gateway and Cleomine are all worth a visit.

Mukinbudin Spring Festival and Art Exhibition Wed 14 September - Sat 17 September 2016

The annual Art Festival commences on the second Wednesday of September. In its 20th year, the Festival attracts artworks of a high standard, with entertainment and announcements of art competition winners on the opening night of Wednesday and culminating in a community celebration on Saturday night. For information contact Tel: (08) 9047 2100.



Community Resource Centre

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Mukinbudin Visitor Information

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www.mukinbudin.wa.gov.au



1 Mukinbudin Main Street 2 Spring Festival Art Exhibition 3 Weira Reserve 4 Beringbooding Rock

Mukinbudin Caravan Park

Ideally located adjacent to recreation oval, golf course, swimming pool (free access in season) and a short walk to main shops. 11 powered sites, 3 fully self-cont air-con park homes, 4 comfortably refurbished barracks cabins (twin share), TV every room. 1 air-con 3 bedroom house available for rent. Linen provided. New campers' kitchen, new clean ablutions & BBQ facilities. Broadband internet. RV friendly town. Dumpsite available.

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Country Hotels
RV Friendly

BENCUBBIN



270km north-east of Perth

The name Bencubbin comes from an Aboriginal word for Mt Marshall. The town of Bencubbin is the main centre of the Shire.

There are many original buildings in the town including the Hotel, Sandalwood Shops, Bank of NSW, Old Police Station and Bencubbin School that were all built between 1911 and 1929.

PLACES OF INTEREST

Marshall Rock

Discovered in 1836, Marshall Rock provides 360° views of the surrounding productive cropping land, Lake McDermott, Bencubbin, Welbungin and Wiacubbing Hill.

Pergande Sheep Yards and Homestead

2 kilometres south of Marshall Rock, the Pergande family sheep yard and Homestead were constructed almost entirely from granite taken from nearby outcrops.

Pioneer Wells

A trip back in time helps you imagine how families carted water from these wells for their livestock and for personal use, before the establishment of the water pipelines.

Sandalwood Interpretation Centre

Located in the Bencubbin Community Resource Centre in the main street of Bencubbin, call in and read about the sandalwood industry past and present and check out the sandalwood products available for purchase. Outside the Resource Centre you can see the Sandalwood Dray. The Dray was built to recognise the sandalwooders as the true pioneers of Bencubbin and the Mt Marshall District.

Fuel

Available at Bencubbin Hardware and Agencies, Padbury Street, 24 hour BP and Eftpos card facility. Opening hours Mon-Fri 9am to 5pm. Tel: (08) 9685 1219.

Caltex diesel bowser located on Bencubbin-Kellerberrin Road beside Seed Cleaners. 24 hour with Eftpos card facility.

Wildflowers

When good winter rains are received, the district blooms with wildflowers. Between July and October experience the diverse range of flowers.



Bencubbin Visitor Centre
Community Resource Centre,
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Bencubbin WA 6477
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www.mtmarshall.wa.gov.au
or www.bencubbin.com

BEACON



300km north-east of Perth

Beacon has the great feature of being the farthest north-easterly town in the Wheatbelt. As such, it is not a typical Wheatbelt location, adjacent to extensive native bushland and pastoral country. Within the Shire there are numerous granite and other rock formations, many of which have been harnessed for the collection of rainwater.

PLACES OF INTEREST

Datjoin Rock

A unique rock formation located east of Beacon. Also see Datjoin Well and picnic area at the location.

Billiburning Rock

This reserve provides excellent views of farmland and pastoral country. View a pioneer well and gnamma hole.

Pioneer Wells

Tampu and Datjoin wells provide beautiful picnic spots in wildflower season.

Bird Watching

Granite outcrops and remnant bushland provide excellent bird watching sites.
www.birdingwa.iinet.com.au/sites/beacon.htm

Fuel

Available at Ninghan Spraying and Hardware, Lindsay Street, during the hours of 7.30am - 5.30pm Mon to Fri and 7.30am - 12 noon on Sat. Eftpos and cash payment available. Contact (08) 9686 1092.

Beagleys Breakaway

An interesting rock formation dating back millions of years, adjoining the Tampu Well Reserve.



Beacon Visitor Centre
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Bencubbin Caravan Park

Bencubbin Outdoor BBQ Area



Situated on the edge of town, the Bencubbin Caravan Park is within walking distance of local businesses and town facilities. Powered and unpowered sites available as well as two new on-site self-contained cabins. Outdoor BBQ (free) area, ablution block and laundry on premises. Disabled facilities.

Bencubbin Caravan Park
Tel: (08) 9685 1202 during office hours.



Beacon Caravan Park

Beacon Kitchen



Located at the eastern end of town and within walking distance of local businesses and town facilities. The Beacon Caravan Park provides powered and unpowered sites as well as on-site self-contained cabins. Modern ablution block, laundry, campers kitchen, BBQ, gazebo on premises. Disabled facilities.

Beacon Caravan Park
Tel: 0488 025 853



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1 Beagleys Breakaway 2 Billiburning Rock 3 Amazing springtime wildflowers



240km north-east of Perth

Koorda is dedicated to wheat, coarse grain and sheep farming. There are a number of beautiful old buildings including the Koorda Museum and the post office which first opened in 1937.

PLACES OF INTEREST

Granite Outcrops

Mollerin Rock, Newcarlbeon, Badgerin Rock and Moningarin, all fairly close to town are picturesque outcrops of granite each with its own peculiar mini-environment of wildflowers, birds and small animals. Most have picnic or barbecue facilities. Mollerin Rock and Newcarlbeon also have toilet facilities. Moningarin has the extra bonus of native gnamma holes.

Museum

Koorda's Museum takes its theme from the building's origin as a hospital in the years before World War II, with an interesting display of old surgical equipment featured in one of the former wards. There is also a large display of early farming machinery and pioneer homestead artefacts.

Koorda Native Flora Reserve

Located 16 kilometres from town on the Mulji Road, features many different species of native flora along with wildflowers in season. There is a spectacular display between July and November when patches of red, pink lavender, gold and blue add bright contrast to the greens of bush and farmland.

Koorda Agricultural Show

The local district agricultural show is held each year in September. This is an event with competitions of various events including craft and produce on display as well as side shows, stalls and displays. The day finishes with a fireworks display. This is a great community event, more information available from www.koordashow.com



Koorda Information Centre

Railway Street
Koorda WA 6475
Tel: (08) 9684 1081
Email: shire@koorda.wa.gov.au
www.koorda.wa.gov.au

Koorda Caravan Park



Run by the Shire of Koorda. Enjoy a relaxing stay at the Koorda Caravan Park, with natural bush surrounds. Powered, unpowered and tent sites available with shared ablution block, campers' kitchen, disabled ablutions. Washing machine and dryer available.

Shire Office, Allenby St, Koorda
Tel: (08) 9684 1219 • Fax: (08) 9684 1379
Email: shire@koorda.wa.gov.au



1 Pay a visit to Koorda Museum 2 Koorda Rose in flower



Koorda, at the cross roads in the Wheatbelt



172km north of Perth

Moora is situated on the banks of the Moore River. In its virgin state, this area was a large Salmon Gum forest and many of the attractive trees still remain. Moora has many parks, gardens, heritage buildings and icons.

Moora is located less than 2 hours drive north of Perth. It is a thriving town strategically located between two of the State's most popular tourism attractions – New Norcia, Australia's only monastic town, and the natural wonder of the Pinnacles in Nambung National Park near Cervantes.

Moora is the largest inland service centre between Perth and Geraldton, providing services to a population catchment of 6,000 residents within a 100km radius. Whether you are just passing through or planning to stop and breathe in some fresh country air for a few days, Moora has something for everyone!

Moora has several B&B's, hotels and a motel, the Shire of Moora operates the popular Moora Shire Caravan and Chalet Park. The park is nestled amongst Salmon Gums on the banks of the Moore River and just a 250m walk from the town centre. It's the perfect base for those wanting to explore the region. The park features shady sites, 8 s/c chalets, RV parking and dump point, disabled access, camp kitchen and BBQ, free laundry for guests, dogs allowed on leash, but not in chalets. For bookings call the Shire (08) 9651 0000.

PLACES OF INTEREST

Army Campsites

Moora played host to a large number of soldiers during World War II. An operational unit was based at Berkshire Valley and numerous other units were stationed around the district.

Discover Golden Horizons

This regional trail runs through Moora, Watheroo and Miling. For a copy of the brochure visit the Moora Community Resource Centre.

Moora Town Walk

This fascinating walk trail leads to Moora's historic buildings and points of interest including the Moora Town Clock. This stunning clock

was designed by local school students with the design then translated and constructed into a magnificent stained glass feature by local artists.

Moora Arts & Crafts

A variety of locally made and crafted gifts are available from pottery to jams and pickles.

Murals

Moora is on the 'Painted Road'. There are several murals in Moora relating to specific historic and regional events.

Moora Wildflower Drive

Moora is the official start of Wildflower Country. The Shire stands on the junction of two important and very different botanical districts, where the underlying geology has produced soil types and very different plant communities. There are many other attractive routes around Moora for you to discover.

Carnaby Cockatoo Interpretive Walk Trail

The interpretative walk trail currently extends between the two town bridges and Candy Bush Reserve. The Carnaby Cockatoo Interpretive Walk Trail plays a major role in educating the community about the conservation of the Carnaby's cockatoo and the importance of the salmon gums, and Moora's flora & fauna.

Koojan Salmon Gum Reserve Walk Trail

The trail is located 18km south of the Moora townsite on the Moora-Bindoon Road. It is a designated rest stop and offers the traveller a perfect leg stretch opportunity. The trail depicts the significance of the local history, agriculture, flora and fauna of Koojan.

Clinch House

Clinch House is home to the Moora Historical Society. If you are looking to view the heritage of the district arrange a visit to view the displays. Viewings can be arranged by telephoning Kaye Lewis, (08) 9651 1372.

Watheroo Station Tavern

This 100 year old Station Tavern is the local hotel which serves excellent meals. The Tavern also has a unique display of historical artefacts.

Watheroo National Park and Jingemias Cave

The National Park was created in 1955 with an area covering 1634 hectares. The park is very rich in many different kinds of wildflowers, and Jingemias Cave has a shady picnic site. The cave is formed in chert, an unsealed rock that leads to a vegetation community in the hill that is very different from the surrounding areas.

Moora Community Resource Centre

The Moora Community Resource Centre is the local Tourist Information Centre. It offers an opportunity for one-on-one local information and stocks a variety of brochures and maps to peruse and take away. The Moora CRC also has giftware, postcards and souvenirs for sale as mementos of your stay. A range of office services such as faxing, photocopying and internet access are available for a small fee. For more information on Moora and the surrounding area, call Moora CRC on (08) 9653 1053.



42km east of Moora

Miling is the first true Wheatbelt town that the traveller encounters on the Great Northern Highway as they venture north of Perth. It is a small but friendly community whose focus is predominantly wheat and sheep farming in the surrounding area. Miling is the terminus of one of WA's most scenic railway lines.

The most obvious landmark within the town is the grain receival complex (CBH). This facility handles in excess of one hundred thousand tonnes of wheat, barley and lupins per year; making Miling one of the larger inland receival points in the state.



36km north of Moora

The name Watheroo is derived from the Aboriginal word 'Wardo' meaning 'little bird', the Willy Wagtail, or 'Wardoro' meaning water. This name was given to the spring of water which made this spot centre for man, bird and beast.

The Watheroo Wildflower Drive is well worth a look as it features one of the only patches of Rose Mallee in the world.



Moora Community Resource and Visitor Centre
(Old Railway Building)
65 Padbury Street
Moora WA 6510
Tel: (08) 9653 1053
www.moora.crc.net.au
or www.moora.wa.gov.au



1 Verticordia Grandis 2 Jingemias Cave, Watheroo National Park 3 Local canola crop

WONGAN HILLS



184km north-east of Perth

The fastest-developing tourist destination in the Wheatbelt, Wongan Hills is proud of numerous visitor attractions and its community ethos - 'being of service'. One of the best wildflower locations in the world - 1,300 varieties and still counting - the walk trails of Mt Matilda, Christmas Rock and Reynoldson Reserve combine with the roadside to make it a 'Garden of Eden'.

Australia's first RV-Friendly Town with outstanding shops, sport, culture, mechanical and medical facilities plus RV sites, backpackers and caravan parks. Fly in and land at the award-winning airfield, walking distance from town and book a flying lesson to boot.

PLACES OF INTEREST

Rock Outcrops

Dingo, Christmas, Gathercole and Flat Rocks - tadpole's delight in wetter months. Picnicker's haven and photographer's mecca, any time.

The Hills, Mounts and Lakes

'Wongan Hills' translates from Aboriginal Wongan Katta or whispering hills - an unmissable landscape feature rising just west of the town. Up there, Mt O'Brien

hosts many a BBQ under the Milky Way stars. And Mt Matilda is a delight for nature lovers seeking real life close encounters with eagles, echidnas, roos, thorny lizards and the wondrous nests of the curtain and pebble spiders - plus the gorge, breakaway and tree top views. Lakes Ninan and Hinds join up in the very wet years, flushed by waters from Kondut Flats, fed by creeks from the hills.

Pioneer Museum at the Old Hospital

One of 23 sites on the Heritage Walk Trail, there's nothing like this Museum - a kids' delight. Take 30 and walk the rest of the Trail, starts and finishes at the Visitor Centre - following the blue footprints - taking in the two-storey Art Deco pub.

Reynoldson Reserve Festival

28-30 October 2016

Reynoldson Reserve comes alive in November with the annual Reynoldson Reserve Festival, 29 kilometres from Wongan Hills with its many types of Verticordia in bloom and a weekend full of guided walks and entertainment. Don't forget to bring your camera.

Visitor Centre at the Railway Precinct

A memorable treat - the team here can organise a day, weekend, week or month of activities (for all 1 or 100 of you). It is open 7 days a week for information, products, guides and tours, and in the short off-season, a phone call brings a welcoming attendant.



Wongan Hills Visitor Centre

The Station
1 Wongan Road
Wongan Hills WA 6603
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Email: wongantourism@westnet.com.au
www.wongantourism.com.au

BALLIDU



214km north-east of Perth

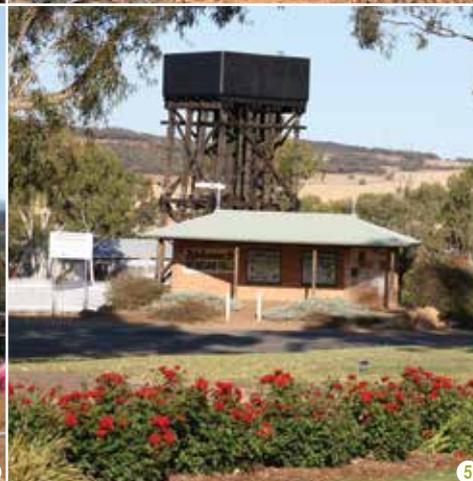
Still sporting the verandahs and posts on the original main street shops, this cultural hamlet town of 100 people is as famous for its bike race and sheep-dog trials as for its world-class aviation company and art exhibitions. RVs love the caravan park.

CADOUX



231km north-east of Perth

The core of the hamlet-town are its general store, 3-roomed school, outstanding Recreation Centre and wheatbins. It was demolished during the 1979 earthquake and the fault lines and geological phenomena are well signed and interpreted. Springtime flowers are stunning.



1 See the wildflowers at Reynoldson Reserve 2 Exploring the rock outcrops 3 Farmland vistas 4 Sweeping views from Mt O'Brien 5 Historic water tower 6 Eagles soaring

Wongan Hills

TRACKS, TRAILS & TRACTORS



Wongan Hills Visitor Centre

The Station, 1 Wongan Road, Wongan Hills
P: (08) 9671 1973
E: wongantourism@westnet.com.au
W: wongantourism.com.au
Free WiFi

Shire of Wongan Ballidu

Australia's First RV Town
Cnr Quinlan Street and Elphin Crescent
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E: shire@wongan.wa.gov.au
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Open Mon - Fri 8.30am - 4.30pm
Wed 9am - 4.30pm

Wongan Hills CRC

Internet Access, Free Broadband for Seniors, Licensing, Library
The Station, 1 Wongan Road, Wongan Hills
P: (08) 9671 1691
E: wonganhills@westnet.com.au
www.wonganhills.crc.net.au

IGA Plus Liquor

43-47 Fenton Place, Wongan Hills
P: (08) 9671 1110
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5 Fenton Place, Wongan Hills
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65 Wongan Road, Wongan Hills
P: (08) 9671 1009
W: wonganhillscaravanpark.com.au

Wongan Hills Post Office

Wongan Mail Service
9 Elphin Crescent, Wongan Hills 6603
P: (08) 9671 1301 F: (08) 9671 1502
Open Mon - Fri 9am - 5pm

Wongan Hills Pioneer Museum

Corner of Camm and Mitchell Street
Open by appointment
P: (08) 9671 1179 or 0428721028
Opening hours Sunday 1pm - 4pm
or call visitors centre to arrange opening

Wongan Hills Pharmacy & Gifts

Cosmetics, Photo Processing, Cookware, Skincare, Babycare & Gifts.
Open Mon - Fri 9am - 5.30pm
Sat 9am - 12.30pm
Shop 3 39/41 Fenton Place
Wongan Hills 6603
P: (08) 9671 1157 F: (08) 9671 1957

The Wongan Hills Bakery & Café

23 Fenton Place, Wongan Hills
P: (08) 9671 1247
Mon - Fri 7.30am - 3.30pm
Morning tea, light lunch, afternoon tea

Kanyanya Community Secondhand Shop

7 Quinlan Street, Wongan Hills WA 6603
Open: Mon - Fri 10am - 2pm,
every second Sat 9am - 12pm
P: 0499 846 377

T'Louze Artistry & Glass Artists

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27 Ningham Street, Wongan Hills
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P: 0428 592 353

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7 Fenton Place, Wongan Hills
P: (08) 9671 1310

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W: dsatco.com

Dentist

Wongan Hills Dental Centre
15 Rogers Street, Wongan Hills
Mon - Thur 9am - 5pm
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Doctor

Wongan Hills Medical Centre
35-37 Mitchell Street, Wongan Hills
P: (08) 9671 1000

Hospital

Ackland Street, Wongan Hills
P: (08) 9691 1222

Police

Fenton Place, Wongan Hills
P: (08) 9691 1333



DALWALLINU



250km north of Perth

Dalwallinu is a vibrant rural community an easy drive north-east of Perth. Covering 7,235 square kilometres of predominantly agricultural land the Shire consists of five towns; Buntine, Dalwallinu, Kalannie, Pithara and Wubin. Dalwallinu is a convenient stopover point or an ideal base to explore the vast array of wildflowers that are most prolific in spring, including the unusual wreath lechenaultia. For information and maps visit www.dalwallinu.wa.gov.au

PLACES OF INTEREST

Dalwallinu Discovery Centre

Completed in 2010 the impressive Dalwallinu Discovery Centre accommodates the Public Library, Community Resource Centre, environmental displays, a community room for hire and Visitor Information section. Sit and relax in the amphitheatre or browse through the brochures and souvenirs available. Opening hours Mon-Fri 8.30am to 4.30pm.

McIntosh Park

Site of the first fatal commercial plane crash in WA and now the Pithara Speedway, situated just off Great Northern Hwy at Pithara.

Xantippe Tank

The concrete tank was constructed in the 1920s to capture the natural water run off from the granite rocks. This site is on the Dalwallinu-Kalannie Road.

Rabbit Proof Fence and Boundary Rider's Waterhole

Situated on the Rabbit Proof Fence Road, the No. 2 Rabbit-Proof Fence is still visible, as well as one of the original water holes blasted for the sole use of the Boundary Rider who maintained the fence.

Buntine Rocks

This site is 3 kilometres from the town of Buntine. A large rock in a vast nature reserve, it offers a magnificent view of the farming countryside from the top. An inviting picnic site with wildflowers in spring.

Jibberding Reserve

A rest area off the Great Northern Highway 25 kilometres from Wubin, pretty displays of pink, white and yellow everlastings in spring.

Cailbro Mudbrick School

This preserved one roomed school from the 1940s, featuring a historical photo display is 33 kilometres from Wubin.

Miamoon Reserve

A popular wildflower area for everlastings and orchids in season. Located approximately 17 kilometres west of Wubin, there is also a gnamma hole in the flat granite rocks.

Dalwallinu Discovery Centre

54 Johnston Street
Dalwallinu WA 6609
Tel: (08) 9661 1805
Email: shire@dalwallinu.wa.gov.au
www.dalwallinu.wa.gov.au



WUBIN



270km north of Perth

Wubin is the 'gateway to the north' and to the magnificent seasonal display of everlastings and wildflowers in the area.

PLACES OF INTEREST

Wubin Wheatbin Museum

(Open daily 10am-3pm Jun to mid Oct, subject to volunteers).

The heritage listed Wubin Wheatbin Museum depicts the history of grain handling through photos, models and artefacts. It also tells the story of Gus Liebe, who after distinguishing himself as a master builder in Perth (His Majesty's Theatre and many others), successfully turned his hand to farming with his partner Wilhelm Klein. The Museum's Machinery Annexe houses a magnificent display of vintage motor vehicles and machinery; the collection of one local farmer. An on demand DVD tells the story of the No. 2 Rabbit Proof Fence and of Richard Anketell, former Superintendent of the fence. Visit www.wheatbinmuseum.com.au for more information.

An extensive rock and mineral collection is available to view in the Tourist Centre in the old railway station building.

Wubin Rocks

An attractive picnic area in spring, this rocky outcrop is set in reserve bush land amongst the everlastings and flowering shrubs.

Wreath Lechenaultia

This unusual flower can usually be found in a number of locations in the Shire east of Wubin from August up to early October.

Wubin Tourist Centre

(Gt Northern Highway adjacent to information bay)
PO Box 38
Wubin WA 6612
Mob: 0427 553 622
Email: wheatbinmuseum@bigpond.com
www.wheatbinmuseum.com.au
Open daily 10am-3pm June to mid October, subject to volunteers.



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visit *Dalwallinu* a place to wait a while

Wattle Week Festival 3-9 Sep 2016

Tour historical & natural attractions, view wildflowers, enjoy a bush breakfast and other assorted activities. For brochures and enquiries please contact Angella at the Discovery Centre on 9661 1805 or Lee Anne on 9661 1551.

Craft Centre (Old Courthouse)

Souvenirs and a large variety of locally made crafts & preserves. Open March to December 10am to 3.00pm (subject to volunteers). Located Johnston St, Dalwallinu.

Shire of Dalwallinu

Caravan Park

Located at the northern entrance of town, just a short walk from the main street. Powered and non-powered sites, shady trees, camper's kitchen, laundry facilities, dump point and excellent ablutions, phone (08) 9661 1253 for bookings.

Kalannie Caravan Park

Powered and non-powered sites, enquiries to Shire admin phone (08) 9661 0500.



PERENJORI



355km north of Perth

Perenjori is in the heart of wildflower country and every spring the countryside is ablaze in colour. Perenjori is surrounded by a rich wheat and sheep area and is only a short distance from mining and station country. Perenjori is home to the \$2 billion Karara Iron Ore Project as well as several smaller mining projects.

View an endless range of wildflowers including everlasting and flora and fauna from August to October, and be in awe of the unique Wreath Lechenaultia in September and October. Perenjori is also renowned for its wide variety of rare native spring orchids.

Perenjori offers a relaxed stop-over for travellers, whether at a powered site under shady trees, self contained chalet at the caravan park, short stay smart house or a comfortable room at the historical hotel. Bookings are recommended.

24 hour fuel available

PLACES OF INTEREST

Church of St Joseph

The Church of St Joseph is one of a significant collection of church buildings, including the St Francis Xavier Cathedral in Geraldton, designed and built by Monsignor John Hawes throughout the Midwest and Murchison. He is also responsible for several other buildings in the UK, USA and the Bahamas. Keys are available from the Tourist Centre.

Rothsay Heritage Trail and John Forrest Lookout

For a full day round trip of sightseeing: Work your way east of Perenjori from Caron Dam to Camel Soak and Mongers Lake, which takes you through pastoral and mining country to the John Forrest Lookout, with impressive views across the countryside. A little further out is Rothsay townsite and abandoned mine, as well as historical grave sites. At Caron Dam there is a natural catchment area, with a lovely picnic spot and free overnight camping.

Caron Rail Trail

Rail enthusiasts will not want to miss the heritage listed Caron Coal Stage, bringing reminders of the golden age of steam locomotives. Follow the rail trail to the dam catchment, especially scenic during springtime with a great range of flora and fauna and an ideal picnic spot.

Perenjori Tourist Centre and Pioneer Museum

Located in the heritage listed Bank of NSW building, the Centre offers great information on the best wildflower and orchid viewing locations. View the impressive collection of historical memorabilia and machinery and wander through the community garden, tasty homemade Devonshire teas available for purchase. The Perenjori Tourist Centre and Pioneer Museum is a great place to call in for a chat with one of the friendly local volunteers. Tel: (08) 9973 1105 or email perenjorimuseum@westnet.com.au

Perenjori Peoples Pathway

As part of the 2012 Centenary Celebrations, Perenjori commissioned the Peoples Pathway to be constructed, consisting of 22 steel cut outs commemorating the town over its life. The cut outs provide an opportunity to step back in time, and see how Perenjori has changed over the years, allowing visitors and locals to meet some of the characters who helped make Perenjori the town it is today. The Perenjori Peoples Pathway provides an opportunity for visitors to explore the main street of the town site, and provide an insight in to Perenjori's past.

OTHER ATTRACTIONS

Perenjori is famous for its wide selection of native birds. Apart from the many species of parrots, cockatoos and water birds, look out for honeyeaters, thornbills, babbler and fairy wrens. Take a stroll along the Perenjori Heritage walk, throw a steak on the free gas BBQ, and while away the afternoon in the park and gazebo.

Weelhamby Farm

Located on Locharda Road, Weelhamby Farm opens their gates to visitors during wildflower season. View wildflowers, walk bush tracks and observe native birds, kangaroos and other fauna. Overnight stays for self-contained campers available. Tel: 0407 473 987.

Blues for the Bush Festival - September 2016

Visit Perenjori for the Blues for the Bush event, a fun-filled, foot stomping, blues and roots musical festival and a great family day out, held annually on the first Saturday in September. Free camping onsite at Charles Darwin Reserve. For more information visit www.bluesforthebush.org.au

Perenjori Caravan Park

With friendly and helpful Park Managers to assist in all aspects of your visit enjoy a relaxing stay in Perenjori surrounded by shady slab sites, dump point and with five luxury chalets available. Tel: (08) 9973 1193.

Short Stay Smart House

Accommodation with a difference, the architecturally designed environment house is available for both single night and short stay visits. Relax in comfort and experience Perenjori's green getaway.

Perenjori Aquatic Centre

Need a place to cool down while travelling through the Midwest region. Recently opened, the Perenjori Aquatic Centre provides state-of-the-art facilities, a welcome relief for travellers on a hot summer's day.



Shire of Perenjori

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Perenjori WA 6620
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Email: admin@perenjori.wa.gov.au
www.perenjori.wa.gov.au



1 Perenjori Aquatic Centre 2 Scenic rural landscapes 3 Wheat and sheep farming 4 Amazing Wreath Lechenaultia

The GASCOYNE MURCHISON

If you dream of a real Australian outback adventure, look no further than the extraordinary Gascoyne-Murchison region, with Mount Augustus - Australia's largest rock, rich red earth, rugged ranges, ancient rock features, vast sheep and cattle stations, Aboriginal culture and awesome drive trails.

Everything is big here. The giant Mount Augustus looms above its surrounding landscape, twice the size of Uluru (Ayers Rock), and stands majestically as the largest rock in the world. The monolith red rock is shrouded in Aboriginal mythology and echoed in carvings, believed to be pre-Dreamtime.

Similarly spectacular landscape is evident at the Kennedy Range National Park. This huge elevation of breathtaking cliff face, gorge and rock is between 10 kilometres and 25 kilometres wide and covers 75 kilometres in a north-south direction.

The Gascoyne-Murchison region is also home to vast cattle and sheep stations, established with pioneering spirit that refused to give

in to some of the most unforgiving land on earth, where water is scarce and survival is a challenge. A network of these cattle and sheep stations welcomes guests to stay and a chance to experience the unique lifestyle. They offer a range of accommodation including homesteads, self-contained cottages, shearers quarters, caravan and camp sites and even sleeping in a swag under the brilliant star-filled sky. In this extensive region, the night skies are clear, bright and endless.

This outback area is dotted with dozens of tiny, character-filled towns, each showing a distinctive personality that has contributed to their survival.

In the wildflower season, the region is a riot of colour as the rains bring forth a blanket of wildflowers that stretch as far as the eye can see. The Murchison is particularly well-known for its stunning carpets of everlastings that cover entire fields in pinks, whites and yellows.

One of the best ways to explore the Gascoyne-Murchison is by following one or more of the Outback Pathways. These self drive pathways criss-cross the region and showcase the many natural wonders of this magical landscape.



Top things to see

- 1** Visit extraordinary Mt Augustus, the world's largest rock!
- 2** Stay at a station stay for true Outback hospitality
- 3** Experience carpets of everlasting wildflowers in season
- 4** Explore the exciting Outback Pathways self drive routes
- 5** Discover the awesome Kennedy Range National Park
- 6** Visit Wiluna, start of the Canning Stock Route & Gunbarrel Highway
- 7** Take time to look at the million star night sky in the Gascoyne-Murchison
- 8** Join the occasional Astro Fests throughout the region





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1 Be part of an Astro Fest 2 Camp out on a station 3 Sit amongst carpets of everlastings 4 Masonic Lodge in Cue 5 Take in amazing views at the Kennedy Ranges



WILDFLOWERS

Wildflowers: The Gascoyne-Murchison is renowned for its carpets of everlastings that colour the region from mid July to mid/late September each year. As wildflowers are dependent on seasonal rains, it is advisable to secure wildflower touring information prior to departure.



HOW TO GET THERE

By Road:

The Gascoyne-Murchison has a good network of sealed and all-weather roads. There are also the gazetted Outback Pathway trails that make for an enjoyable self drive adventure.

By Air:

Skippers flies regular air services from Perth to Mount Magnet, Meekatharra and Wiluna. Reservations 1300 729 924.

By Coach:

Transwa operates coaches to a number of the Gascoyne-Murchison towns - including Yalgoo, Mount Magnet, Cue and Meekatharra. Tel: 1300 662 205.

INDEX AND DISTANCE OF TOWNS

Town	Distance from Perth (km)	Page
Cue	649	85
Gascoyne Junction	1,069	81
Meekatharra	764	86
Mount Magnet	560	83
Murchison Settlement	738	80
Paynes Find	424	79
Sandstone	725	84
Yalgoo	527	79

CLIMATE

Month	Av temp (°C)
Dec-Feb	37
Mar-May	29
Jun-Aug	20
Sep-Nov	29

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Nested amongst a pristine, natural bush setting, at Joffre Gorge – in the heart of the Karijini National Park, the multi award winning Karijini Eco Retreat offers a choice of affordable camping and 'glamping' – a glorious fusion of camping and comfort.

The Savannah Campground's 82 campsites are available for tents, campervans and trailers.

Or 'glamp it up' in the deluxe eco tents with hotel quality bedding and a private en-suite – here, tucked up in your king-sized bed with luxurious linen, you'll be lulled by the chirping of frogs, crickets and 'sounds of the outback' through the canvas walls. Each tent features a wooden

decking patio where you can sit and absorb the sunset glow, or drift away on the endless blanket of stars that reflect the timelessness of this place. For those seeking more rustic accommodation, there are dorm style eco tents and cabins.

Dining under the stars

All guests are welcome to savour the starlight hours at the fully licensed bar and outback style restaurant – with al fresco dining and a uniquely Australian dinner menu, infused with local ingredients and served with a taste of genuine outback 'mateship' hospitality.

Joffre Gorge

The walk trail into the gorge starts directly at the Retreat. The brilliant red cliff

faces of Joffre Gorge are home to the grand Joffre Falls - where rushing white waters cascade over a steep stairway of ledges, softening the rugged landscape with their silken flow (3 hours return walk). The neighbouring gorges: Dales, Hancock, Kalamina, Red and Weano and the 'gorgeous' bathing spots at Fortescue Falls, Fern Pool and Circular Pool are all within easy driving distance of the Retreat.

Karijini Eco Retreat is 100% owned by the Gumala Aboriginal Corporation. Traditionally, the Aboriginal people conducted fire stick farming practices which have shaped the unique nature of the flora and fauna found in the park today.



Savannah Campground (off Weano Road)

Karijini National Park, Western Australia 6751 | T: (08) 9425 5591

E: reservations@karijiniecoretreat.com.au | www.karijiniecoretreat.com.au



Experience ANCIENT TREASURES



Immerse yourself in the rugged wilderness of Australia's Golden Outback which has remained largely unchanged for billions of years. Travelling this region will arouse a feeling of venturing back into ancient times, especially when you're with an Aboriginal guide who can reveal astonishing secrets handed down by their forefathers over thousands of years – it's probably the oldest living culture in the world.

Alongside a variety of demonstrations in hunting, food gathering, bush survival and bush medicine, your guide will take you on a unique journey along 'hidden tracks' and unveil a fascinatingly different perception of the country's rich natural treasures and the influential role they play in paving his lifestyle.

You'll also be immersed in some of the region's spectacular natural landscapes, such as a dazzling display of outback plains, huge deserts and salt lakes, rugged rocky outcrops, wild woodland and some of the whitest beaches in the world.

For the Aboriginal people, their spiritual connection to the land and natural environment is a key part of their identity.

Their knowledge of the country and the sacred places that are scattered through it are priceless gems in a fast changing world and a deeply moving experience, that you're sure to take home as lasting memories.

For more details about the wide range of authentic Indigenous tourism experiences in Australia's Golden Outback and Western Australia, visit www.waitoc.com. The Western Australian Indigenous Tourism Operators Council (WAITOC) is the peak not for profit organisation, providing advice and information.



Experience the Golden Outback with WA's best value tours.

With a range of fantastic holiday experiences Casey Australia Tours lead the way in fully inclusive coach travel specialising in Remote Outback Australia. Casey Tours operate tours all over Australia from 1 to 20 day itineraries in 48 seat coaches and 26 seat 4WD coaches, motel or camping. Family run company with 40 years' experience.



- 1 Day Wave Rock & Hippos Yawn
- 4 Day Outback Wildflower Tour
- 4 Day Northern Wildflower Tour
- 4 Day Wheatbelt & Wave Rock Wildflower Tour
- 5 Day Mt Augustus Tour
- 8 Day Albany, Esperance & Goldfields
- 8 Day Mt Augustus, Exmouth & Coral Coast Tour
- 15 Day Gascoyne, Pilbara & Coral Coast
- 15 Day Central Australia, Kings Canyon & Tanami Track
- 16 Day Central Australia, Kings Canyon, Uluru, Lake Eyre & Flinders Ranges



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OUTBACK PATHWAYS SELF DRIVE & Station Stays

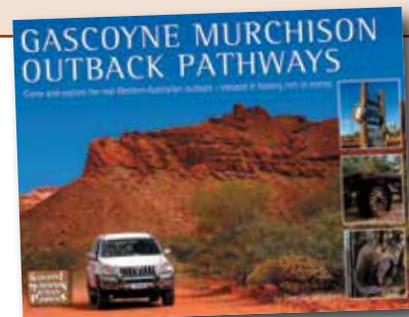
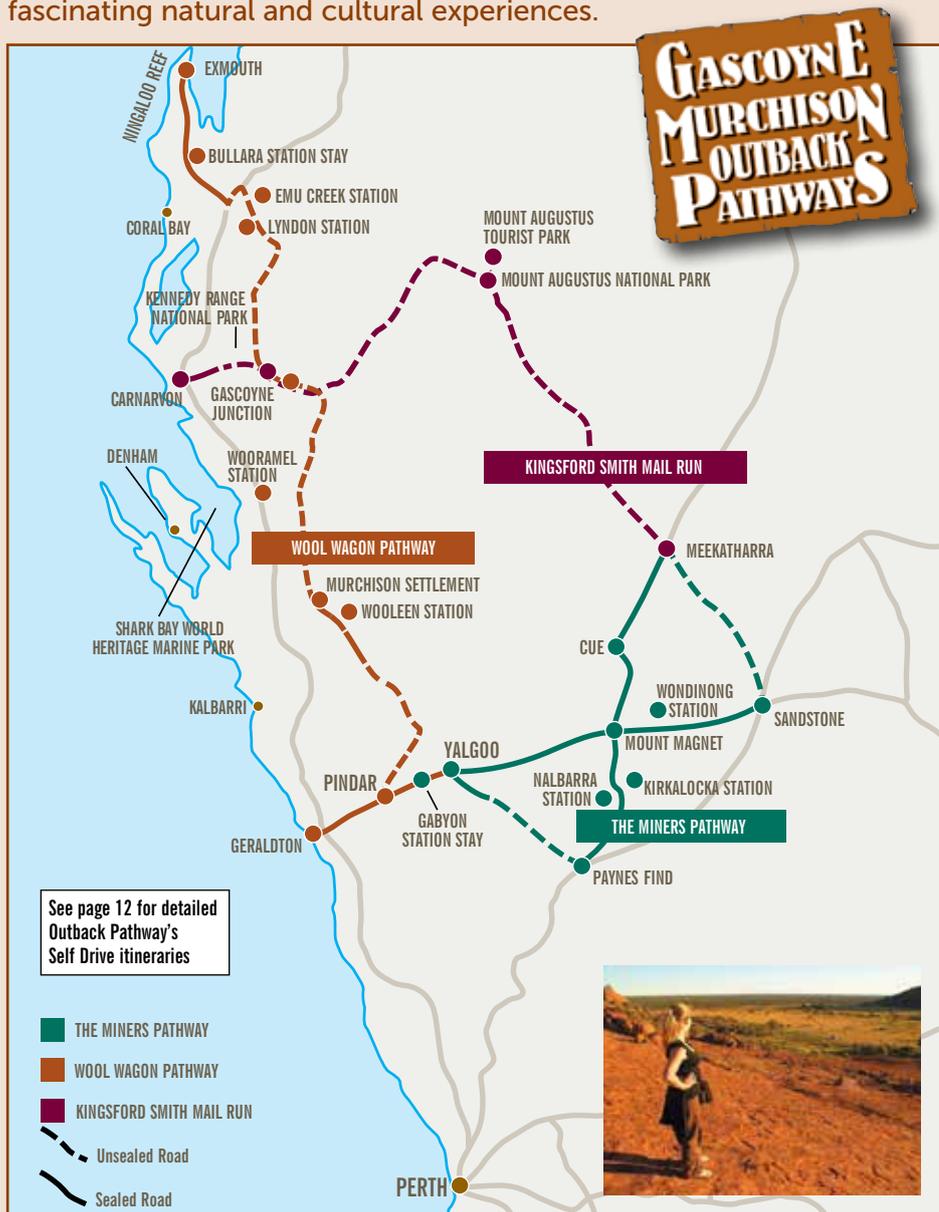


Welcome to the real outback adventure! Vast, rugged, beautiful and timeless, this region epitomises the real 'Outback Australia'. Home to the Yamatji people for at least 30,000 years and Europeans for more than 150 years, the Gascoyne and Murchison is rich in fascinating natural and cultural experiences.

The Outback Pathways provide ready access into the heart of this unique region and invite travellers and adventurers to experience the wonders of this sweeping landscape as they come face to face with its history and its challenges.

On each pathway, selected interpretive sites offer information panels and photographs to enrich your travel experience as you gain a deeper understanding of the natural, cultural and pioneering history of this land. Fascinating stories and secrets abound in this ancient land that is brimming with a kaleidoscope of colours and characters – come on out and explore it for yourself!

Embark on your self drive adventure by buying the Gascoyne Murchison Outback Pathways Guidebook. The guidebook brings to life the historical and natural wonders of the region through stunning photographs and text.



For more information or purchasing the guidebook, visit www.outbackpathways.com or contact the outlets below.

Western Australian	
Visitor Centre	1300 361 351
Geraldton Visitor Centre	1800 818 881
Carnarvon Visitor Centre	(08) 9941 1146
Exmouth Visitor Centre	(08) 9949 1176
Tom Price Visitor Centre	(08) 9188 1112
Mid West Dev Commis.	(08) 9921 0702

For road condition information contact local Shires, Visitor Centres or Main Roads WA on 1800 013 314.

AS SEEN ON
AUSTRALIAN STORY



— WOOLEEN STATION —

MURCHISON, WESTERN AUSTRALIA

An Outback eco-tourism experience that challenges a hundred years of European orthodoxy.

Wooleen Station is one of the finest working cattle stations in the heart of outback Western Australia, situated on the Murchison River and covering half a million acres of picturesque rangelands. Your Wooleen hosts, David and Frances, make the outback come alive, ensuring your station experience is comfortable, enlightening and enjoyable.

Creature Comforts

Offering various forms of accommodation ranging from camping to self-contained rammed earth guesthouses. Alternatively, stay in the gracious National Trust Listed Wooleen homestead including stylish accommodation, delicious home style cooking, cellar of West Australian wines, magnificent formal dining room, full sized billiards table and swimming pool all amidst an oasis of spectacular award winning gardens.

Rich in History

Delight in the beauty and serenity of the oldest lands in the world. Stretch your legs after the drive into Murchison by taking a Wooleen Walk Trail and learn about conservation, the environment, bush tucker and white settlement in the late 1800's. Grab a mountain bike and explore some of the great trails through 'breakaway' country.

Come along on a guided tour of the station encompassing such things as the listed wetlands of Wooleen Lake, seasonal wildflowers, Aboriginal heritage, colonial history, and spectacular granite outcrops. Learn how the Pollock family are now working towards making Wooleen an ecologically sustainable enterprise.

At One With Nature

Wooleen is a place to relax and enjoy your getaway. Simply unwind, connect with country and take in the Australian outback at its best.

2016 rates:

Camping:

From \$25 per vehicle per night
Unpowered bush camps in scenic locations

Guesthouses:

\$180 twin share per night
Additional person \$30 per night.
Self-contained, sleeps up to 5.
Can add a trundle on request.

Homestead Guestrooms:

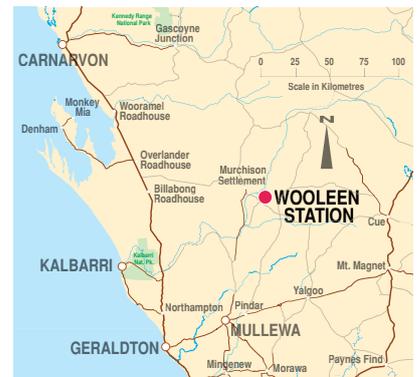
Adult – Double/Twin Share: \$399 per night
Adult – Single Occupancy: \$229 per night
Breakfast, lunch, dinner and hosting included.

David and Frances invite you to come and stay today. For more information or to make your reservation contact us at:

Web: www.wooleen.com.au

Email: info@wooleen.com.au

Tel: (08) 9963 7973



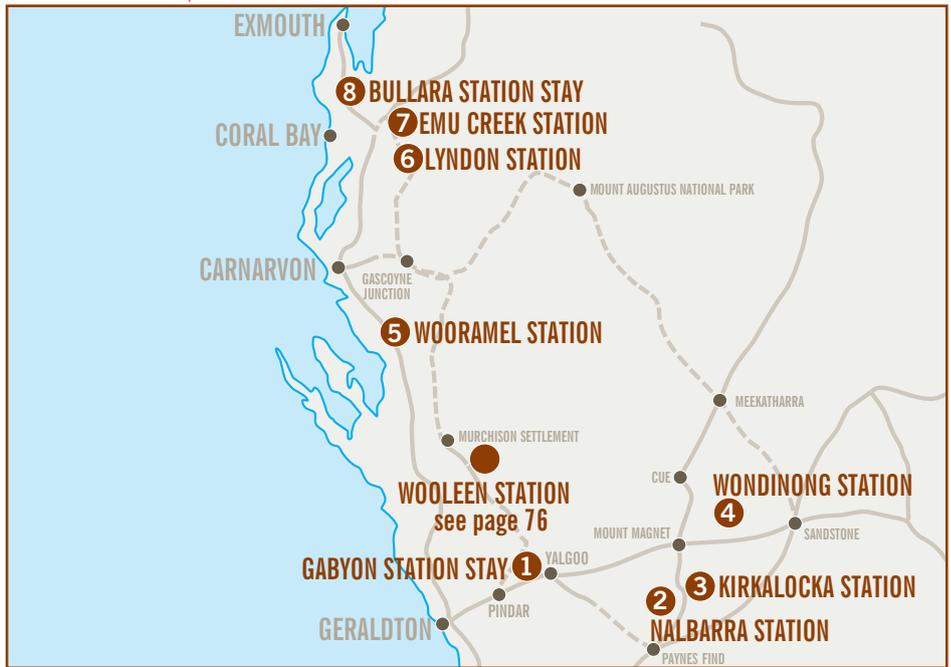
Bookings are essential. Please call or email to enquire.
Open for tourism each year from 1st of April - 31st of October.
Wildflowers are seasonal. Drinks and tours extra charge.



Experience a STATION STAY

One of the unique experiences in the Gascoyne-Murchison region of Western Australia is the ability to overnight in a station stay.

Most of the station stays in the region are actively involved in the pastoral industry, some with cattle, others with sheep and goats. These stations cover vast areas and staying with the family gives you an unique insight on what it's like to farm livestock in these magnificent but remote outback areas.



1 Gabyon Station Stay



Gabyon Station Stay is a working sheep station located in striking red earth country of the Murchison. Adjacent to the 'Miners' Pathways' self drive trail guests can enjoy the peace and tranquility of the Outback. Accommodation options include rustic shearers' quarters, homestead rooms, caravan and camping sites.

- Situated 200km east of Geraldton, 54kms from historic Yalgoo
- Shearers Quarters - 7 double rooms inc. a single bed
- Homestead Rooms - 3 queen rooms inc. a single bed
- Horse and motorbike trail rides, self drive the windmill tracks
- See wildflowers, birdlife and historic relics
- Outback BBQ area and firepit

Cost from: Caravanners & campers \$10 per person per night
 Shearers' Quarters - \$20 per person p.n. (own linen) or \$30 per person p.n. (linen provided)
 Homestead rooms - \$100 p.n.
 Cont b/fast \$10 pp, lunch \$15 pp & dinner \$25 pp
 (08) 9963 7993

Phone:
Email: gabyonstationstay@gmail.com
Web: www.gabyon.com.au

Address: Gabyon-Tardie Road Yalgoo WA 6635
 Located 37kms west of Yalgoo, 17kms north of the Geraldton-Mount Magnet Rd



2 Nalbarra Station



A working sheep station nestled in stunning breakaway country. Set on 161,000 hectares, a perfect stopover for holiday makers travelling the Great Northern Highway. Shearers quarters accommodation and caravanners and campers welcome.

- Shearers Quarters with fully self contained kitchen, wood stove, dining room, showers & toilets
- 9 rooms equipped with 2 single beds, 2 queen bedded rooms, 4 double rooms with 3 single beds, 1 queen & 2 singles
- Large dining area & BBQ area
- Linen supplied if required
- Enjoy bird watching, bushwalks, amazing sunsets
- Ideal for large groups, clubs and touring companies
- Pet friendly, Eftpos not available

Cost from: Caravanners & campers \$20-\$25 per night per couple
 Shearers' Quarters - \$25 per person p.n. (own linen) or \$40 per person p.n. (linen provided)
 Meals - Cont. b/fast \$10 pp, Cooked b/fast \$15 pp, Dinner \$30 pp
 (08) 9963 5829

Phone:
Email: nalbarra7@bigpond.com
Web: www.nalbarra.com.au

Address: PO Box 125 Mount Magnet WA 6638
 Located 70kms north of Paynes Find, 17kms off Great Northern Hwy on Burnabinmah Nalbarra Rd



3 Kirkalocka Station Stopovers



Your outback stopover for history, hospitality and nature, all within 500 metres of Great Northern Highway. Choice of accommodation includes rooms in historic homestead or shearers' quarters. Caravanners & campers welcome.

- Shearers Quarters - 2 dbls, 5 twns, extra beds avail
- Homestead Rooms - 1 double, 1 queen, 4 twns
- Cooked Breakfast \$15 pp & dinner (prior arrangement) \$30pp
- Explore the creek and surrounds for birdlife
- Meet station pets
- Visit the onsite 'Mud Hut' museum

Cost from: Caravan & campers - \$25 two people p.n.
 Shearers' Quarters - \$25 per person p.n. (own linen/swag/s.bag) or \$50 person p.n. (linen provided)
 Homestead room - \$65 per person p.n.
 (08) 9963 5827

Phone:
Email: kirkalocka@bigpond.com
Web: www.kirkalocka.com

Address: PO Box 218 Mount Magnet WA 6638
 Situated on Great Northern Hwy, 60kms south of Mt Magnet



4 Wondinong Station Stay



Travel weary and looking for your own patch of red earth to rest for a while? If you are a self-sufficient and self-contained caravanner or camper, we welcome you to Wondinong Station where you can park your van, pitch tent or book a room in our 'donga' style rooms.

- A working cattle station, centrally located between historic Mt Magnet (72km), Cue (80km) and Sandstone (107km)
- Space for caravan and tents available
- 'Donga' style rooms include - 4 doubles, 5 singles, 1 twin
- BBQ & fully equipped communal kitchen, meals available by prior arrangement
- Separate mens' and ladies' showers and toilets
- Open from April to November

Cost from: Caravanners & campers \$15-25 p.n.

Donga rooms single \$60 p.n.

Double & twin share \$80 p.n.

(08) 9963 5823 or Lara on 0429 386 182

Phone: wondinongpastoral@gmail.com

Email: PO Box 37 Mount Magnet WA 6638

Address: Access from Mt Magnet via Mt Magnet/Wondinong Rd

Access from Cue or Sandstone via the Cue/

Paynesville Rd



5 Wooramel Station Riverside Retreat



A unique station campground nestled under the majestic gum trees on the banks of the Wooramel River. Relax in the naturally heated therapeutic artesian bore baths from the Birdrong aquifer; enjoy the space, abundant bird and wildlife, private camp fires, amazing night skies and the friendly outback atmosphere.

- Naturally heated bore baths
- 2km off the northwest coastal highway on the northern side of the Wooramel bridge 120km south of Carnarvon
- Homestead camper meals available
- Hot, clean showers
- Bush walking and bird watching, historical station tip exploration, beach access.

Cost from: Caravan & Campers - \$12 per adult

\$5 children 5 - 16 years to a max of \$39 per family

Eco Cabin Tents - \$115 per couple (linen proved)

-\$20 extra for swag bed in tent.

Jackaroo Quarters - Queen \$90, family \$120, single \$70

0499 425 888

Phone: wooramelriverretreat@gmail.com

Email: www.wooramel.com.au

Web: Situated 120km south of Carnarvon or 350km

north of Geraldton on North West Coastal Hwy.

Station has a well maintained 2km driveway.



6 Lyndon Station



Historic property situated on the 'Woolwagon Pathway' self drive trail, Lyndon Station Cottage Stay is a friendly stopover for travellers visiting Mt Augustus, Ningaloo Reef, Coral Bay and Exmouth. Caravanners and Campers welcome.

- Working cattle station.
- Beautifully restored self-contained 2 bedroom cottage with original pressed tin walls, modern bathroom, air-con, TV.
- 2 bed cottage sleeps up to 4 (1 queen, 2 singles).
- Wonderful views of the bush and red earth 'Outback' country.
- Mud map provided to explore scenic spots and water holes.
- Homestyle meal package using organic beef & seasonal organic vegetables, inc b/fast, lunch (packed if req.) & dinner \$60 adult, \$30 child.

Cost from: Caravanners & campers \$20-\$35 p.n.

\$140 double p.n. (\$120 p.n. for 3 night stay)

\$170 family p.n. (\$150 p.n. for 3 night stay)

Cooked Breakfast cost \$20 pp

(08) 9943 0540

Phone: cathwalsh@activ8.net.au

Email: Situated 280km north-east of Carnarvon,

150km inland from Milniya Roadhouse.



7 Emu Creek Station



Historic working cattle station offers a wide range of accommodation options including clean, comfortable guest rooms in the classic homestead, donga style rooms and caravan and camp sites suitable for families, couples and singles.

- Campground close to permanent 2km long fresh water pool surrounded by majestic river gums and native birds
- Homestead rooms - king, queen, double, family and king single rooms, some with air-con.
- All donga rooms air-conditioned and comfortably furnished
- Rustic, budget cottage rooms
- Devonshire teas and home-made bread
- Bushwalking, kayaking, swimming and bird-watching
- Sunset Tour; nibbles provided
- Mill Run Tour; griddle pancakes and billy tea included
- Explore the old wool-shed - part of Warlu Way

Cost from: Caravan & camping - \$25 per site per night

Homestead Room: With DBB \$130 single per night,

\$220 per couple

Donga Room: With DBB \$120 pp per night

Cottage Room: With DBB \$80 pp per night

(08) 9943 0534

Phone: emucreekstation@hotmail.com

Email: www.emucreekstation.com

Web: 1 Nyang Road, Barradale off North West Coastal

Highway, Near Yannerie River Bridge.



8 Bullara Station Stay



Situated within easy driving to stunning Ningaloo Reef, Bullara Station offers a fantastic range of accommodation choices from self-contained cottages, renovated shearers lodge and fabulous bush campground. Caravanners and campers welcome.

- Working cattle station close to Ningaloo Reef
- Shearers Lodge - 4 queen, 2 twins
- Capped Cottage - Self cont. 3 bedrooms (min 3 nights)
- Hale Hutt - Self cont. 3 bedroom cottage (min 3 nights, communal kitchen, BYO bar & BBQ facilities)
- Meals & BBQ packs arranged with prior notice, extra cost
- Enjoy bush walks, fishing, bird watching and sunset tours
- Pet Friendly, open Easter to October each year
- Powered sites

Cost from: Caravanners & campers - \$14 per person p.n.

Shearers' Lodge - \$140 double p.n.

Cottage - \$200 double p.n.

Hale Hutt - \$200 double p.n.

(08) 9942 5938

Phone: stay@bullara-station.com.au

Email: www.bullara-station.com.au

Web: 1 Burkett Road Carnarvon WA 6701

Address: Located 1.2kms off the main road, 65 kms north

of Coral Bay, 86 kms south of Exmouth



Station stay hospitality at Bullara



The rich red earth surrounding station stays like Woolleen.



527km north of Perth

Situated along the historic Miners' Pathway Yalgoo offers true outback adventure and unique attractions, including prolific seasonal wildflowers and the Courthouse Museum showcasing over 80 Years of Yalgoo history. Be sure to view the Railway Station, historical Yalgoo cemetery, Monsignor Hawes convent chapel and the fascinating Jokers Tunnel.

Accommodation is available at the Yalgoo Caravan Park or the historic Yalgoo Hotel Motel. A general store is open 7 days a week and self service credit card diesel/petrol bowsers are available 24/7.

PLACES OF INTEREST

Jokers Tunnel

Located 10 kilometres south of Yalgoo, the tunnel was carved through solid rock by early gold prospectors and is a great place to view native flora and fauna.

Court House Museum

Once located in the Day Dawn townsite near Cue, the Court House was transported in 1921 to Yalgoo and is now a museum with displays of old photographs, gold rush history, memorabilia and artefacts.

Monsignor Hawes Dominican Chapel of St Hyacinth

Designed in 1920 by the famous priest and architect Monsignor Hawes for the Dominican Sisters who were based in Yalgoo.

Wildflowers

White, cream, yellow and pink everlastings are prolific in the Yalgoo Shire from late July to early September.



Yalgoo Visitor Information
Shire Office, Gibbons Street
Yalgoo WA 6635
Tel: (08) 9962 8042
www.yalgoo.wa.gov.au

Or contact Yalgoo Caravan Park,
Gibbons Street Yalgoo WA 6635
Tel: (08) 9962 8472
cpark@yalgoo.wa.gov.au

PAYNES FIND



424km north-east of Perth

Renowned for its glorious carpets of wildflowers during the season, Paynes Find is also recognised for its Gold Battery. Established in 1911, the Paynes Find Gold Battery is the only working battery in the state. Take a tour and enjoy the museum and displays.

You can commence your Miners' Pathway adventure from the Gold Battery in Paynes Find, after which you will travel north through

Mount Magnet and Cue to Meekatharra, south-east to Sandstone, west to Yalgoo via Mt Magnet and finally south-east again to finish at Payne's Find, viewing Joker's Tunnel and historic Field's Find cemetery on the way. For information on the Miners' Pathway self drive see page 12.

The Paynes Find Roadhouse/Tavern offers travellers a welcome break with fuel, snacks, meals and accommodation available.

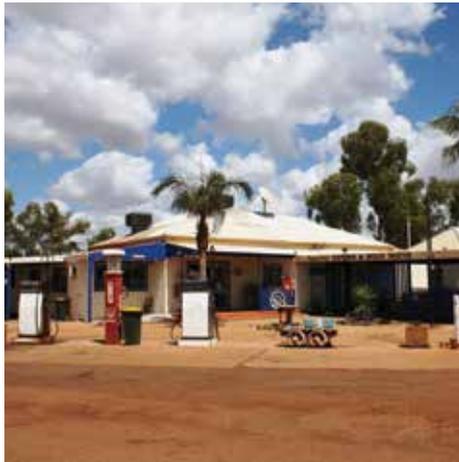
PLACES OF INTEREST

Visit Paynes Find to see the only working Gold Battery left in Western Australia. The Battery guides you to the town's Museum filled with relics of the mining, pastoral and sandalwood industries.



Paynes Find Gold Battery & Information Centre
Paynes Find WA 6612
Tel: (08) 9963 6513

Email: paynesfindgoldbattery@bigpond.com



Paynes Find Roadhouse & Tavern

Call in for a cold beer, hot drink and food to die for, a good laugh and friendly service.

- Fully licensed restaurant, cooked breakfasts, take-aways and snacks.
- Fully air-conditioned motel rooms with ensembles or without ensembles.
- Caravan stopover bays with or without power.
- Pets welcome.

Great Northern Highway
Paynes Find WA 6612
Tel: (08) 9963 6111
Email: paynesfindroadhouse@outlook.com



Paynes Find Gold Battery Tourist Centre

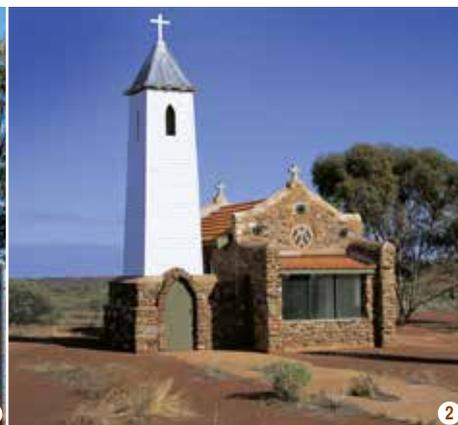


Situated on the Great Northern Highway 420kms north of Perth along the historic Miners' Pathway. Museum of mining, pastoral and sandalwood industry. Guided tours of the gold battery, wildflowers and rock display. Crafts and souvenirs. Open daily 1st August – mid October.

Private Mail Bag, Paynes Find WA 6612
Tel: (08) 9963 6513
Email: sandytaylor127@hotmail.com



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1 Shire of Yalgoo Caravan Park 2 Monsignor Hawes Dominican Chapel of St Hyacinth 3 Courthouse Museum, Yalgoo

MURCHISON SETTLEMENT

738km north of Perth

Where the outback begins. It doesn't get any more outback than the Shire of Murchison. 'The Shire without a town' is home to sprawling pastoral stations, abundant wildlife, and seasonal wildflower displays, yet very few people. The Shire covers an area of 49,500 square kilometres with a population of just 114.

The hub of the Shire is the Murchison Settlement, home to around 20 people. All the Council infrastructure is located in the Settlement including Council offices and depot, staff housing, the roadhouse, sporting facilities, museum and power and water supply.

Murchison Shire is also the home of the Australian Square Kilometre Array Pathfinder (ASKAP) and Murchison Radio-astronomy Observatory site (MRO). The purpose of the ASKAP/MRO is to provide a world-leading survey radio telescope to explore the history of the universe. The MRO is operated by CSIRO as a restricted site and is not open to visitors.

PLACES OF INTEREST

Murchison Settlement

Be at one with nature on the newly upgraded rangeland botanical walk or view the many artefacts of pastoral and indigenous life at the Murchison Museum. Go bird watching, enjoy the sunsets, gaze at the amazing night sky or just boost the population for a day.

Murchison Oasis Roadhouse & Caravan Park

Located at the Murchison Settlement the roadhouse, which incorporates motel style accommodation and a first class caravan park, providing visitor needs with tourist information, shady trees, grass and modern facilities. Shop, great food and 24 hour eftpos fuel available.

Errabiddy Bluff and Outcamp

Located 15 kilometres west of the settlement, Errabiddy Bluff's large rock formations make a significant mark on the landscape. Ideal for a day trip and a picnic or BBQ. The magnificent sunsets seen from the bluff are a prelude to a display of stars you never thought existed.

Bilung Pool and Wooramel River Gorges

On the Carnarvon-Mullewa Road, discover the tranquil waters and enjoy a picnic at Bilung Pool. While you're there be sure to take in the Wooramel River Gorges, a spectacular example of an inland river system.

Old Stock Well

55 kilometres south of Murchison Settlement on the Carnarvon-Mullewa Road, this recently restored well was once used by drovers moving stock. A picnic area with barbecue is now available for visitors making it a great place to stop off and take in the vast history of the area.

Ballinyoo Bridge

Further south, the oldest concrete bridge in WA has been replaced with a new bridge, but a span of the original Ballinyoo Bridge has been preserved as an historic marker of its former glory.

Wildlife and Wildflowers

Kangaroos, emus, majestic eagles, red-tail black cockatoos and many amazing reptile species. Seasonal rain can bring fields of everlasting and other rangeland natives.

Station Stays

Experience true station life, discover indigenous rock art or soak in the outback atmosphere at the various station stays throughout the Shire.



Murchison Visitor Information

Murchison Oasis Roadhouse
Murchison WA 6630
Tel: (08) 9961 3875
Email: murchisonoasis@westnet.com.au
www.murchison.wa.gov.au



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1 Local wildlife - the Bungarra 2 Murchison Settlement Roadhouse with 24 hour 'swipe card' fuel 3 Tidy Town winner, Murchison Settlement

GASCOYNE JUNCTION



1,069km north of Perth

Nature, humanity and time meet at the intersection that is the Gascoyne Junction – it's where the ancient Lyons and Gascoyne Rivers join up, and where the stock routes of the past overlapped.

As well, it is a place where the land still gives a clear view of life on earth millions of years ago. The abundant fossil beds, and unmistakable evidence of vast oceans of the distant past paint a fascinating picture.

A Mighty River

The Gascoyne River flows for 760 kilometres from the Western Desert to the Indian Ocean at Carnarvon.

The Mighty Gascoyne is known as the 'upside-down river' because most of its water is beneath the surface. Along its path the river surfaces, keeping people and animals alive during the scorching summer heat. The river also provides a wonderful habitat for the many species of birds that flock here all year round.

Respecting People and Country

Visitors are advised to leave all rocks, stones, water holes, hills and ranges, exactly as you found them. You should be mindful that there are places here that are powerful and sacred to the original occupiers, and may not be visible to the casual observer.

Roads Less-Travelled

With around 1,800 kilometres of unsealed road, there is plenty of opportunity to explore the country. Amongst the wildlife you'll encounter are cattle, goats, sheep, horses, kangaroos, emus, wild turkeys, bungarras, dingoes, a vast variety of birds, and the occasional vehicle as well.

The roads are generally in very good condition, but it's always wise to bring a couple of spare tyres, and plenty of water.

Geology

200-300 million years ago most of the area was underwater, and sea-life fossils are common. A fault zone 10 kilometres wide is just north of the Errabiddy homestead. What takes the eye most is the types and colours of precious and semi-precious stones which are so attractive.

PLACES OF INTEREST

Junction Pub and Tourist Park

Following the devastation of the December 2010 Gascoyne River flood, the Junction Hotel has been replaced. Now you will find a state of the art facility including a roadhouse with 24 hour Eftpos fuel sales; tavern and caravan park with onsite cabins, ensuite van sites, van sites and grassed camp sites. The facility also has two children's playgrounds. Stop in for a well-earned break and relax with a cool drink in the beer garden.

The Yarning Spot, Cattle Pool

Yarning Spot is to the north of the Gascoyne River at the Junction, and Cattle Pool is on the Lyons River near Cobra. The prolific and ever-changing bird life congregate here. Ornithologists have counted over 128 species of bird-life in the Gascoyne and the sights and sounds of these birds are truly wonderful.

Kennedy Range National Park

This is a truly awesome place to visit with many places to walk to and explore such as Honeycomb Gorge. During July to September you may be lucky enough to witness the colonies of the unique Dawson's Burrowing Bees.

Mt Augustus National Park

Mt Augustus is the largest monocline in the world, bigger than Uluru. However, the vegetation on the Mount is deceptive. Colours and hues change throughout the day, and make this a spectacular sight. A walk to the top is achievable and very rewarding.

Gascoyne Junction Community Resource Centre

Gascoyne Junction CRC offers a wide range of services including tourist information, public library, internet café, postal agency, Centrelink agent, Dept of Transport Licencing agent. Local postcards and gifts also available for purchase.

EVENTS

The Junction Races

A bush race meeting held each August, where there are as many genuine characters as there are racehorses. The Racecourse is 10 kilometres west of the Junction, bring your caravan, tent or swag and camp out.

The Landor Races

A picnic race weekend held over 4 days in October, and is a great opportunity to stay over and look around the local country at the same time.

Kickstarters Gascoyne Dash

Run on Bidgemia Station. A world-famous event for off-road enthusiasts, there's plenty of action and speed. Camp out over the weekend in October.



Gascoyne Junction Community Resource Centre

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Gascoyne Junction WA 6705
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1 Honeycomb Gorge, Kennedy Range 2 The Junction Races 3 Amazing new tourist facilities, Junction Pub and Tourist Park, Gascoyne Junction

World renowned NATIONAL PARKS



Experience ancient landscapes in Kennedy Range National Park

Kennedy Range and Mount Augustus National Parks are some of the most ancient landforms in Australia. These are must see destinations.

Kennedy Range 250 million years ago was a shallow ocean basin off the edge of the Australian continent. It filled with sediment which compressed to form layers of sandstone and shale. Movements in the earth's crust brought these above sea level and today marine fossils can be found in the range's sandstone strata. Mount Augustus is an asymmetrical anticline, consisting of sand and gravel folded in an arch-like structure, deposited by an ancient river system that drained the region 1,600 million years ago. Water should be taken and vehicles should be in sound condition. Avoid walking in the hottest part of the day.

MT AUGUSTUS NATIONAL PARK

At about twice the size of Ayers Rock, it is the biggest rock in the world. Known by the local Wajjari Aboriginal people as Burringurrah, it rises spectacularly over the surrounding plain, and at 750 metres, is visible for more than 160 kilometres.

Interesting rock formations, caves and Aboriginal engravings are found on many parts of the rock that have been untouched for thousands of years. Emu Hill Lookout is a good location from which to take wonderful sunset photographs of the mount.

There are many things to see and do around Mount Augustus. Burringurrah Drive is a 49 kilometre circuit providing views of the changing faces of the rock, and giving you access to all feature sites. The drive is suitable for conventional two wheel drive vehicles.

KENNEDY RANGE NATIONAL PARK

Kennedy Range National Park offers spectacular scenery of gorges and precipitous faces, with a vast plateau of ancient dunefields on top of the range. Lying roughly 150kms east of Carnarvon, the area retains a wilderness feeling, with camping beneath the stark sandstone cliffs.

The Aboriginal Inggarda name for the range is Mundoo Thuda. Artefacts found in the park provide evidence of the long history Aboriginal people have with the area.

Best time to visit is August through September, when wildflowers are in full bloom, changing the landscape into a mass of colour. The developed visitor sites lie on the eastern side of the range and can be accessed by the Ullawarra Road north of Gascoyne Junction.

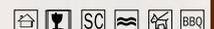
Mt Augustus Tourist Park



Situated at the base of the world's largest rock.

- Self contained units, twin rooms, powered and unpowered sites
- Licensed, shop, fuel (av gas by arrangement)
- Laundry, clean amenities with hot water, people and pet friendly
- Barbeque/picnic area, lawn and shade
- Spectacular sunsets, sunrises, starlit nights
- Idyllic base from which to explore the extraordinary Mt Augustus National Park

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MOUNT MAGNET



560km north-east of Perth

Gateway to one of the world's natural geo parks of awe inspiring rocks - Mount Magnet, Geo Hub of the Murchison and on "one of the finest Goldfields in the world" is more than just about gold! Be drawn to Mount Magnet and the ancient rocks of the Murchison and adjoining Gascoyne region, where oldest, rarest and largest rock formations have been created over eons of time.

Mount Magnet is named after local magnetic rock and is situated at the centre of the Gascoyne-Murchison Miners' Pathway. Here, rich heritage of Aboriginal presence is also revealed and celebrated.

With sealed roads to all four points of the compass, Mount Magnet is at the Magnetic Centre of Australia's Golden Outback and the perfect place to begin exploring the region. Seasonal flowers fill stunning landscapes under a vast and often clear sky. Sunset and full moonrise over low horizon, welcomes night skies perfect for stargazing.

A centre for Indigenous culture, early pastoralism from 1878 and longest continuous goldmining centre since 1891, Mount Magnet is rich in history and more.

Services include: visitor centre, swimming pool, caravan park, station stays, hotel-motels, units, post office, mines office, police station, medical service, pharmacy, supermarket, butcher, bakery-café, hardware, Pick Axe Trading, Centrelink, library, internet, mechanic, two service stations, airport and more.

Mt Magnet Miners Rest Units

Fully self-contained serviced units. Motel style accommodation. The quietest most comfortable accom in town. See for yourself. Continental breakfast supplied. Coin operated laundry, fully equipped, special weekly rate. Thurkle Cove Mt Magnet. PO Box 155. Tel: (08) 9963 4380 Mobile: 0408 996 346 • Fax: (08) 9963 4390



Mount Magnet Visitor Centre Mining and Pastoral Museum



Fast becoming the place to visit, the new purpose built Mining and Pastoral Museum complex is entered through Visitor Centre. Geotourism, heritage, indigenous and astronomy. Local, regional, state-wide information. Heritage Walk and drive trail maps. Internet. Gift shop. MWA display. "Treasures of the Earth Rock Collection".

(Southern end of) Hepburn St, Mount Magnet 6638
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PLACES OF INTEREST

Mount Magnet Visitor Centre

Southern entrance to town. Welcome stop for local, regional and state-wide information. Amazing 'Treasures of the Earth' Rock collection and MWA radio telescope display. Stock up with unique books and gifts of the region.

Mining and Pastoral Museum

Entered through the Visitor Centre, purpose built Mining and Pastoral Museum gives unique insight into a rapidly vanishing way of life. Heroes and hardship, images, artefacts and stories to inspire. Extraordinary exhibit of stories on the No.1 Rabbit Proof Fence.

Wirnda Barna Arts Centre

Visit the Gallery where you can purchase insightful and discerning artwork by Indigenous artists of the Murchison region.

Heritage Walk

Take a walk through history, where stories of pioneer pastoralists, grand gold rush days and Government Proclamations are revealed through buildings and sites unique to Mount Magnet. Insight into Aboriginal stories being developed.

Tourist Drive Trail

Popular 37km drive or cycle through famous gold mining areas, scenic lookout, ghost town and spectacular outback scenery, includes:

Warrambo Hill Lookout

Be exhilarated by spectacular views across open cut mines and township to far horizons. A great place to enjoy sunrise or sunset just minutes from town.

Amphitheatre

Extraordinary rock formations believed to be the site of an ancient waterfall and a cave, these are special places to stop for photos and explore.

The Granites

Just 9km north of Mount Magnet, The Granites offer driving, cycling and walking trails and picnic sites. This magnificent area of granite breakaways holds great significance to the Badimaya people and is expected to be treated with due respect.

Outdoor Cinema

One of only three still operating in Western Australia. A movie under the stars is one of Australia's great experiences and the warm Mount Magnet evenings provide the perfect atmosphere. Occasional and seasonal.

EVENTS

2016 will be another exciting year for visitors, with unique Mount Magnet events planned. The ASTRO ROCKS FEST celebrating awesome night sky above and ancient rocks beneath our feet, will take place on May 13-14. ANZAC DAY remembrance ceremonies April 25. Autumn and Spring Races. Gymkhana. More details and events, visit www.mtmagnet.wa.gov.au.



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The Granites, Mount Magnet

Mount Magnet Caravan Park



A welcome place to stay, with friendly service, clean and tidy facilities in pleasant surrounds. New ablution block. Washing machines, dump point, gas. Powered sites, grassed tent sites powered/unpowered. Cabins (no kitchen facilities) all linen provided. Campers Kitchen, electric BBQ, full kitchen facilities with outdoor setting. Situated close to shops, post office and parks. (Northern end of) Hepburn St, Mount Magnet 6638
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Wirnda Barna Artists



Wirnda Barna Aboriginal art centre showcases and develops artists from Mount Magnet, Meekatharra, Cue, Sandstone, Yalgoo and Yulga Jinna. Artists draw inspiration from Badimaya & Wadjjarri country and culture including important cultural sites such as The Granites, Walga Rock, Wilgie Mia ochre mine and the region's sensational wildflower season.

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SANDSTONE



725km north-east of Perth

Lying in the heart of the spectacular lower Murchison district, Sandstone's bronzed landscape contains many unique and picturesque locations. Throughout the area, natural rock formations or breakaways contrast dramatically with the rust stained landscape.

Gold was first discovered in the immediate Sandstone area as early as 1894 and remains a popular spot for the casual gold prospector. From 1907 Sandstone grew to a small city of some 3,000 people. By the end of the 1920s only 200 people remained. Fortunately Sandstone, the Oasis of the Murchison, has survived and today makes an ideal stopover at the centre of some of Western Australia's great tourist routes.

Sandstone offers the traveller a range of accommodation facilities with a hotel, accommodation units and caravan park. The very popular 40 powered bay Alice Atkinson Caravan Park is centrally located in the town and takes bookings all year around. For enquiries telephone (08) 9963 5859 or stay@sandstone.wa.gov.au

PLACES OF INTEREST

London Bridge and Breakaway Country

Photograph the natural 'London Bridge' - over 350 million years old (part of the 'Heritage Trail'), or visit the Peter Denny Lookout complete with barbecues and picnic tables, 30 kilometres from town.

Evening and Night Sky

Sandstone is one of the best places on earth to experience the glory of the night sky. In the evening you can witness some truly spectacular sunsets. At night the darkness of the outback sky and clear atmosphere, make it a brilliant location to stargaze. To assist with stargazing the Shire is looking to install a telescope system that will be available for all visitors to use (free of charge).

Golf Course

Visitors can play a round on the town's rather unique 18-hole golf course. Clubs available for hire from the Sandstone Visitor Centre.

Sandstone Golf Open Weekend

2nd weekend of September each year. Golfers come from near and far to hit the course. Pack your swag and enjoy a BBQ under the stars. For more information Tel: (08) 9963 5831.

The National Hotel

The National Hotel was the last and smallest of four hotels built during the gold rush years, and the only one still standing. As the township shrank in the 1920s, 'The National' became the hub of activity in Sandstone, and is still today a great place to meet some of the locals.

Sandstone Heritage Trail

This drive trail is 18 kilometres in length and features sites of historical and natural significance. Don't miss the 'Brewery' built into a breakaway, old 'State Battery' and 'Contradiction Well' as well as London Bridge mentioned above.

Wildflowers

Subject to seasonal rain, Sandstone is transformed from red earth to a carpet of colour from late July to mid September. Be sure to contact the Visitor Information Centre to check on availability of wildflowers and best viewing locations.



Sandstone Heritage Museum & Visitor Information Centre

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www.sandstone.wa.gov.au



1 London Bridge, Sandstone 2 Alice Atkinson Caravan Park 3 The historic National Hotel, Sandstone



649km north of Perth

Cue, located on the Great Northern Highway, is known as the 'Queen of the Murchison'. Being central to the district, Cue hosts many meetings including the Murchison Zone of the WA Local Government Association, colloquially known as Cue Parliament.

PLACES OF INTEREST

Aboriginal Art – Walga Rock

A huge granite monolith known as Walga Rock, situated 48 kilometres west of Cue, is a site of deep Aboriginal cultural and spiritual significance. The most unusual art depicts a sailing ship in white ochre with masts, rigging and portholes.

The Cue historical photograph collection

A fascinating and popular collection of historical photographs from the late 1800s and early 1900s.

Nallan Lake

Nallan Lake is a nature reserve and during periods of heavy winter rains transforms into a favoured picnic spot.

Milly Soak

Milly Soak is 16 kilometres north of Cue and was a popular picnic spot in Cue's early history.

Amateur prospectors and keen fossickers are welcome to try their luck on non-tenement sites or with the approval of tenement holders. Remember to keep an eye out after it has been raining, you may just find gold!

Government Buildings

The government buildings are situated in the main street and were built between 1895 and 1897 from locally quarried limestone. The buildings were, and remain, among the most impressive in the region.

Cue Shire offices

The Cue Shire offices were built in 1895 and were once home to the London and Western Australian Investment Company offices, and then the Gentlemen's Club.

The Old Municipal Chambers

This building in Robinson Street was opened in 1896, and the Shire conducted its first meeting in this building.

Masonic Lodge

Built in 1899 from timber and galvanised iron, is subject to many a ghost story.

Cue Hospital Ruins

The original hospital was rebuilt from local stone in 1895. Today several walls from this building remain, as does the ruins of the chimney from the hospital's crematorium.

Old Gaol

Located in the Cue Tourist Park was built in 1896 and was a temporary home to prisoners being transported from outback lock ups in the north until its official closure in 1914.

Great Fingal Mine

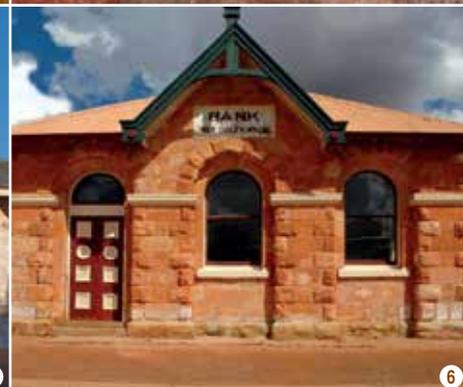
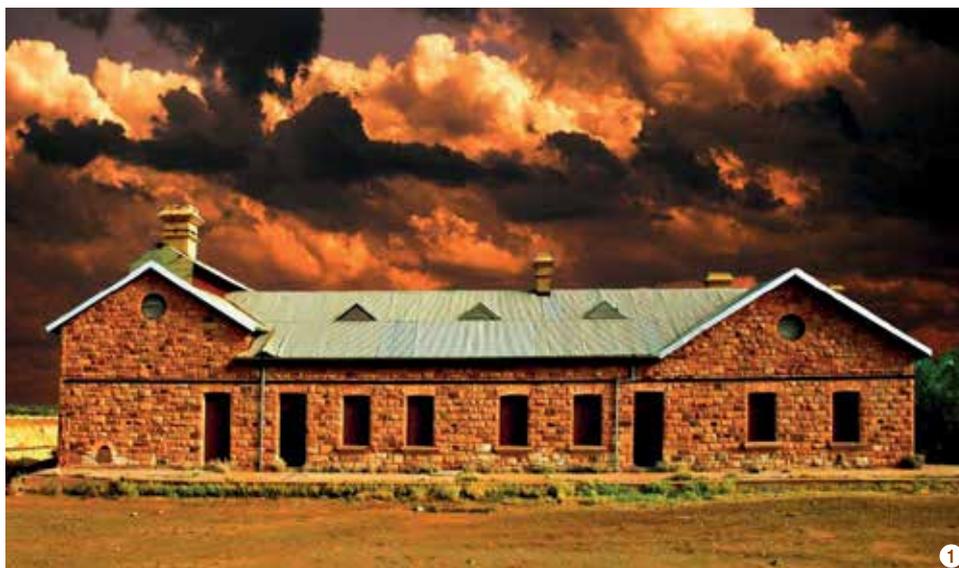
The Great Fingal Mine Site Office is another turn of the century structure that is a truly magnificent example of the buildings of this period. Interestingly Herbert Hoover, President of the USA, worked in this building.

The most popular time to visit Cue is March to October when the weather is mildest and the winter rains turn the sweeping red landscape into a lively palette of wildflowers. It is a popular destination for people heading north and escaping the chills of winter. You can view more at www.cue.wa.gov.au.

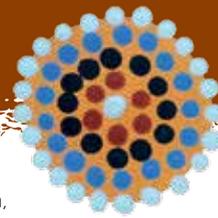


Cue Tourist Centre

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1 The Great Fingal Mine Site Office 2 Gentleman's Club 3 Some of Walga Rock's ancient Aboriginal art and 'sailing ship' 4 Bungarra 5 The Old Gaol 6 The Old Bank



MEEKATHARRA



764km north of Perth

'There's just something about Meeka,' as the locals like to say - this unique, historic outback goldfields town has lots to offer visitors. Whether it's prospecting, wildflowers, cooling off in a hidden soak or 'having a yarn' with friendly locals at one of our historic pubs, you'll want to stay and play - and who knows, you might become one of our many residents who 'stopped in for a quick drink' - and forgot to leave!

Meekatharra is a golden prospect for visitors on their Golden Outback adventure. Situated on the Great Northern Highway, Meekatharra is the largest centre in the Murchison. In town, you'll find a choice of establishments offering meals or a cold drink, excellent three star motel accommodation, a shady caravan park along with a well-stocked supermarket. The town is also home to the Royal Flying Doctor Service, with a regional hospital, GP and visiting dental services, and a chemist in the main street.

Meekatharra was originally a gold prospecting centre and is now a major service centre for local mining and pastoral industries. The town was officially gazetted in 1903 following settlement as a result of the discovery of gold in the region around 1896.

Grand hotels and wide streets pay tribute to the town's rich history. Open-cut mining pits are viewable close to town, and visitors can still try their hand at prospecting, many with surprisingly good results! With rocky outcrops and plenty of native animals, Meekatharra offers many natural attractions too.

If you're into camping, 4x4 and dirt bike adventure, there are plenty of great tracks, scenic spots and places to camp under the stars - once you get off the beaten track, there's a lifetime of amazing places and experiences to discover. Prospecting is very popular, and Meeka has all the services and information you need when you feel the call of 'gold fever'!

No matter what you need, Meeka locals will make sure you're looked after. Overnight freight services and our famous outback practicality mean we can help you with just about any situation.

PLACES OF INTEREST

Heritage walk and drive trails

Explore Meekatharra's heritage with a range of walk and drive trails. Each trail features interpretive panels with fascinating facts about Indigenous culture, natural wonders and Meekatharra of old. The Meeka Rangelands Discovery Trail is an easy 3 kilometre loop around Meekatharra Creek. The complementary Meeka Town Heritage Walk guides visitors through the present day townsite and showcases Meeka's transition from temporary miners' shacks to impressive stone hotels.

Walk or drive the 900m trail to Meeka Lookout for stunning views over the town and the rich red rangelands extending in every direction. Take a drink or picnic to enjoy while watching an awe inspiring outback sunset.

Venture further afield with the Eastern Loop Drive Trail, a self-guided tour that provides a true 'outback' experience. Don't miss the stockyards, State Battery remains, Paddy's Flat, and the Royal Flying Doctor Service.

Meekatharra Museum

Located in the library in the Shire building, the museum contains a large collection of photographs, prints and historic memorabilia showcasing Meekatharra's past. All items have been donated by residents looking to preserve local heritage.

State Battery

The State Battery on Main Street acknowledges the early prospectors and miners who followed them. It stands proudly along Meekatharra Creek along with other interesting relics from Meekatharra's gold mining past.

Gold Mining Pits and Prospecting

Meekatharra echoes with the district's rich gold mining heritage. Disused and operational open cut mining pits provide a fascinating and spectacular site. Many prospecting sites around the town still yield regular finds. Visit the Mining Registrar's Office on Savage Street to arrange your own Prospecting Licence and try your hand at gold mining.

Peace Gorge

Just 3 kilometres west of town, this fascinating area of granite rock formations is an ideal picnic spot. Its reputation for picnics dates back to World War I when Meekatharra's servicemen were welcomed home with a gala picnic and sports day at the granites. Since that day, the area has been known as Peace Gorge.

Royal Flying Doctor Service

Meekatharra's central location makes it the ideal location for the Flying Doctor. The base opened in 1945, taking advantage of the large runway built by the Americans during World War II. Tours of the base can be arranged by contacting RFDS.

Meekatharra Community Resource Centre

Meekatharra CRC services the town with an internet café with WiFi, printing, scanning and free government website access. The CRC also displays job opportunities, broadcasts Westlink TV and operates an in-store Westpac. Pop in and speak to a Meekatharra local for all your visitor information.

EVENTS

Queen's Birthday long weekend is celebrated in true outback style with an annual festival and race meetings. Starting with a street festival Friday night the weekend brings stalls, food vendors, children's rides and a float parade.

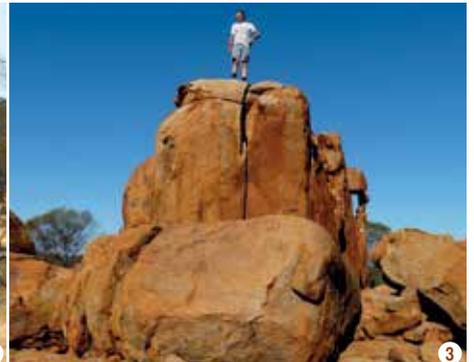
The acclaimed Meekatharra Race Club holds its annual races on Saturday and Monday afternoons. Be part of over 100 years of racing history alongside a licensed bar, trackside seating and a family area. As the sun and dust settles Sunday evening it's time to dress up for the annual outback ball. A great weekend not to miss!

For more information contact (08) 9980 0600 or check out meekafestival.com.au



Meekatharra Visitor Information

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1 Hard racing during the Outback festival 2 Emus, one of the areas many wildlife species 3 Just one of the many rock formations in the area



ESPERANCE & The Coast



Top things to see

In stark contrast to the red earth of the Outback, the brilliant blue water and snow-white beaches of Esperance and the southern coast provide a spectacular coastal backdrop to a region of magnificent national parks and unspoilt marine playgrounds.

In this pristine and almost magical wilderness lies a profusion of plant and animal life, as well as a stunning 'necklace' - a string of close to 110 islands in crystal clear water just off the shoreline.

Esperance is the main township - a coastal jewel nestled along a stretch of magnificent, largely untouched coastline. It forms an ideal base from which to explore the natural wonders of this region in the Golden Outback.

Begin by cruising the paradise that is the Recherche Archipelago. Around the islands you'll come face to face with dolphins, whales, seals and seabirds. Visitors can stay over on the Archipelago's Woody Island, where they'll experience safari hut accommodation and be able to enjoy the excellent walking trails.

Back on the mainland, the region's stunning national parks are not to be missed. Cape Le Grand National Park is perhaps the most popular, thanks to breathtaking coastal scenery, rugged granite peaks and sweeping heathlands.

The Fitzgerald River National Park is similarly impressive, especially for its incredible assortment of plant and animal life.

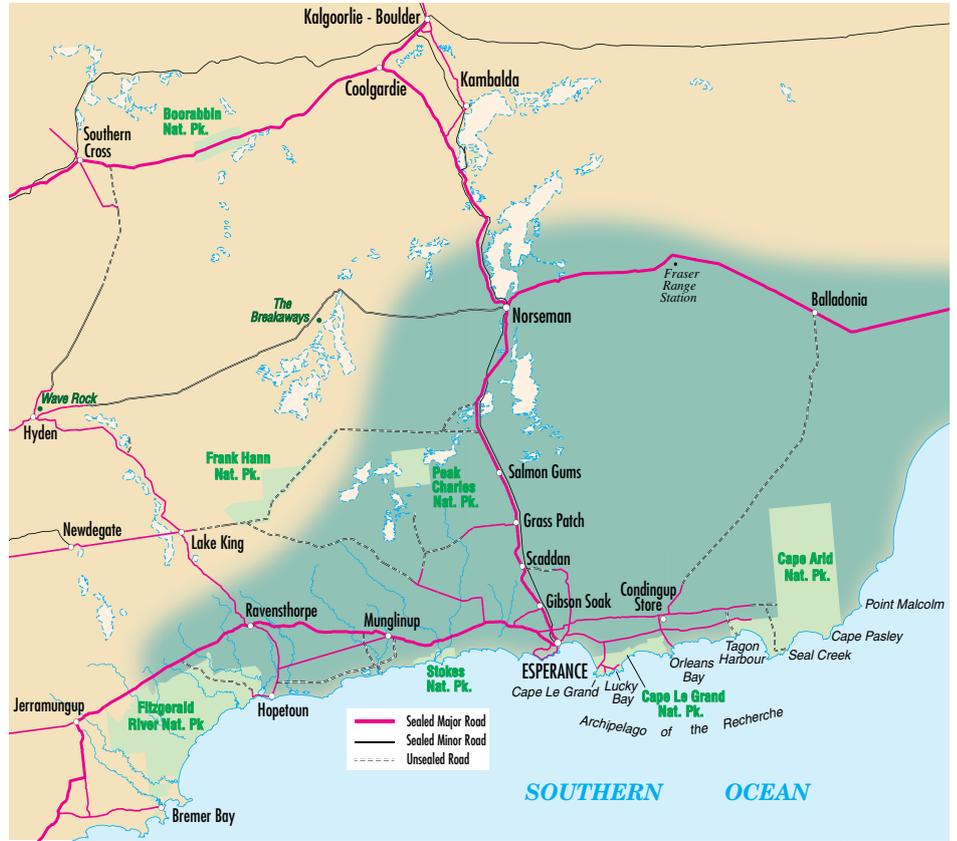
The Park is known as one of the most bio-diverse flora regions in the world, harbouring 1,900 beautiful and bizarre species of flowering plants. The numbers represent nearly twenty per cent of Western Australia's total plant species. Ravensthorpe and Hopetoun are both gateways to this national park.

The Golden Outback's coastal strip is also a gateway to the Nullarbor Plain. The plain includes one of the country's most important road arteries linking east and west. From Norseman you commence an amazing journey eastward, experiencing attractions including caves, blowholes, the Eyre Bird Observatory and the old Eucla telegraph station ruins.

- 1 See Australia's whitest beach, Lucky Bay.
- 2 Explore the numerous coastal national parks
- 3 Take an exciting 4WD beach tour
- 4 Visit Stonehenge, in Esperance!
- 5 Visit the Esperance Museum with its Skylab exhibit
- 6 Visit a fish skin tannery!
- 7 Take a cruise to Woody Island
- 8 Experience part of The Great South West Edge landscape
- 9 See local arts and crafts at various galleries
- 10 Have a coffee in Cape Le Grand N.P at the Lucky Bean Café
- 11 Stroll the new Esperance foreshore



1 Ride the beaches bike path 2 Wildflowers in the national parks 3 Take a walk through Fitzgerald River National Park 4 A visit to Esperance Stonehenge will surprise



HOW TO GET THERE

By Road:

Road conditions are excellent, with sealed main roads heading in and out of Esperance. Esperance is accessible from many of the drive routes from Perth and the Nullarbor.

By Air:

Esperance is serviced by Rex with flights from Perth. Tel: 13 17 13.

By Coach:

Transwa operates regular coach services from Perth to Esperance. There is also a service from Albany to Hopetoun that connects to Esperance. Departs Wed. from Albany, Thu. from Esperance. Tel: 1300 662 205.

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CLIMATE

Month	Av temp (°C)
Dec-Feb	25
Mar-May	23
Jun-Aug	17
Sep-Nov	21

DISTANCE OF TOWNS

To Esperance	Distance (km)
From Perth	721
From Albany	476
From Kalgoorlie	394
From Norseman	207
From Ravensthorpe	187
From Munglinup	105

To Ravensthorpe	Distance (km)
From Perth	546
From Norseman	394
From Albany	289
From Kalgoorlie	578
From Esperance	187
From Munglinup	85
From Hopetoun	50

To Norseman	Distance (km)
From Albany	683
From Balladonia	191
From Caiguna	374
From Esperance	207
From Eucla	698
From Fraser Range Station	108
From Kalgoorlie	187
From Mundrabilla	636



Esperance and the south coast, a fishing haven



SHIRE OF ESPERANCE

Population 14,500



721km south-east of Perth

Discover the great outdoors in beautiful Esperance which sits in isolated splendour, surrounded by stunning national parks, on the south-east coast of Western Australia.

One of the few remaining places on earth where you can often enjoy a beach all to yourself, Esperance boasts spectacular beaches of white sand and crystal clear water, remote camping wilderness experiences, and fantastic fishing and 4WD opportunities. Bordered by the newly completed Esperance Waterfront, Esperance town centre offers

unique crafts, markets, cafes, facilities, tourism attractions, and much more.



Esperance Visitor Centre

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EXPLORING ESPERANCE

Exploring Esperance and its surrounds provides a fascinating mix of local history, heritage, and breathtaking natural beauty.

Esperance Waterfront - Enjoy a coffee, or leisurely stroll along the newly developed foreshore. More than a kilometre of the ocean-front by the town centre is beautifully landscaped with walking paths, exercise equipment, public artworks, state of the art playgrounds, BBQ facilities, picnic shelters and beach access.

Cannery Arts Centre - In this premier exhibition space in central town area, you'll see touring exhibitions, studios, and art and craft shops featuring local works for sale.

Esperance Stonehenge - Come see a full scale replica of UK's Stonehenge set on a hill with vistas of the bay and farmland. Tea, coffee, soft drinks and ice cream available.

Municipal Museum - As one of Western Australia's outstanding regional museums, this one exhibits the world's largest and most comprehensive displays of Skylab (the first American space station) and the Sanko Harvest (the largest diveable wreck off the Australian coast).

Museum Park Village - Enjoy a fascinating trip through history with this collection of historical buildings that house art, craft and design shops, an Aboriginal art gallery and an eatery. A heritage walk booklet is available at the Esperance Visitor Centre. Don't miss the Sunday markets regularly held in the village.

Adventureland Park - A great spot to bring your kids to enjoy the various playgrounds, the mini golf, the skate park, feed the ducks or just have a ride on the mini steam train (October 1 to April 30). Located adjacent to Taylors Beach Bar and Café.

Mermaid Leather - See the process that transforms fish skins into unique leather products such as keyrings, purses and jewellery. Factory tours and showroom, items for sale. Open Tue to Sun, 2pm-5pm.

The Section Glass Gallery - Visit Cindy Poole's kiln formed glass studio, café and gallery with handmade souvenirs and artworks, also part of the Great Ocean Drive. Open Mon to Fri 10am-5pm. Sat to Sun 1pm-4pm. Lot 5 Longbottom Lane.

Dempster Homestead - Built in 1867 this was the home of Esperance's most famous pioneer family. It is privately owned but can be viewed from the road at 155 Dempster Street.

The Great Ocean Drive - This 40 kilometre drive is an excellent start for visitors, highlighting the Rotary Lookout and Twilight Beach among many other stunning beaches as well as the Ten Mile Beach Wind Farm.

Bandy Creek Boat Harbour - The hub of the region's commercial fishing industry and a great place to drop a line in the water.

Ten Mile Beach Wind Farm - 15 kilometres west of Esperance, this is one of Australia's most advanced wind/gas power systems. Opened in 2003, it sits alongside the Nine Mile Lagoon Wind Farm and together these two wind farms generate more than 25 per cent of the local community's electricity.

Helms Arboretum - Acres of a diverse range of botanical species. Wildflowers prolific in season, picnic areas and walking trails.

Recherche Archipelago - The 110 islands offer perfect spots for fishing, diving, snorkelling and sailing. This natural treasure is a haven for a variety of wildlife, as well as a playground for holidaymakers. Fishing charters and island cruises available.

Kepwari Wetland Walk Trail - Located a 5 minute drive from Esperance, this one-way interpretive trail is 3.6 kilometres in length and offers interpretive panels and information displays to educate visitors about the importance of the wetlands.

Patroni Olive Farm - See a real olive farm! On Fisheries Road. Recommended to call on (08) 9076 1101 to confirm opening times.

Mount Ridley - 75 kilometres north of Esperance (4WD access). See ancient Aboriginal cave art and a 'Wave Rock', perhaps climb to the top and enjoy amazing views!

Gibson Soak Pub - Just 20 kilometres north of Esperance, it's the place to go for a good feed. No one leaves the Soak hungry!

Condingup Tavern - 70kms east of Esperance on the way to Duke of Orleans Bay, café/restaurant with beer garden, coffee and cake all day, lunch and dinner; open 7 days.

Yabby Farm - Discover the yabby, a uniquely Australian freshwater crustacean, on a tour of this family operated farm (free tour with any purchase). Contact Steve or Jackie on (08) 9071 3675 to arrange a visit.

Esperance Mechanical Restoration Group - Come and see restored and under restoration stationary engines, tractors, motor bikes, vehicles etc. Open day at the shed on Mclean Road, every 4th Sunday of the month from 10am to 4pm (entry by donation).

Art in Esperance - Ask the Visitor Centre for a list of the various galleries in and around town.

Esperance Bird & Animal Park and Café - 10 minutes from town on the way to the airport. A great animal exhibit with café. Open Thu-Mon 9am to 4pm. Daily over school holidays.

Port Tours - Saturday at 1:30pm, this bus tour run by APEX leaves from port the viewing area. Cost \$5 adult, \$3 child.

Bruce Malloch - Professional artist who depicts the desolate inland towns and landscapes as well as the people who inhabit them. Mobile 0427 694 492.

EAST & WEST OF ESPERANCE

Duke of Orleans Bay and Condingup 80km east of Esperance

This area is located between Cape Le Grand and Cape Arid National Parks, and is often described as having the best beaches in the world. The contrast of the snowy white beach sands washed by turquoise blue waters and framed with a backdrop of rugged granite peaks is truly unforgettable. Wharton Beach in particular is a sight to behold.

A fishing charter operator and caravan park is located in the sheltered Duke of Orleans Bay and close by, the Condingup Tavern offers a cold beer, counter meals and fuel.

Munglinup Beach and Oldfield Estuary 120km west of Esperance

Munglinup Beach Road has picturesque views of the winding inlet which is both scenic and also offers small boat access for fishing. The Oldfield Estuary is a perfect place for canoeing, or you can take a stroll along the walking trail. The Munglinup Beach Holiday Park is three kilometres from Munglinup Beach.



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ESPERANCE & COASTAL NATIONAL PARKS

The national parks in the coastal region are now part of the Great South West Edge landscape. All six parks offer magnificent scenery and are some of the largest remaining wilderness areas.

The coastal parks with towering granite peaks and brilliant blue waters contrast sharply with the sandplains and distinctive vegetation of those further inland.

Entry fees may apply to national parks and do not include camping fees. See page 102.



Spectacular views from Frenchman's Peak

CAPE LE GRAND NATIONAL PARK

Wild coastal scenery, rugged granite peaks and sweeping heathlands. Wide sandy beaches and bays give way to heath-covered sandplains, with swamps and freshwater pools.

Massive rock outcrops form an impressive chain of peaks, the result of erosion and movements over 600 million years. The area supports a variety of plant and animal life.

Location and travel time:

50 kilometres south-east of Esperance. 45 minute drive.

Activities:

Walking, camping, boating, picnicking, sightseeing, swimming, fishing.

Walk Trails:

Coastal Trail is 15 kilometres one way; 6 - 8 hours walking. Walk may be broken into 4 shorter sections:

- **Le Grand Beach - Hellfire Bay**
Allow 2 - 3 hours, hard going.
- **Hellfire Bay - Thistle Cove**
Allow 2 hours, hard going.
- **Thistle Cove - Lucky Bay**
Allow 40 minutes, easy.
- **Lucky Bay - Rossiter Bay**
Allow 2 - 3 hours, medium.

Frenchman's Peak

3 kms return. Allow 2 hours, hard walk.

Le Grand Heritage Trail

1 km circuit. Allow 40 minutes, easy.

Facilities:

BBQs, toilets, campsite, picnic areas, shade shelters, NO drinking water. 2 camping grounds, coffee caravan.



Lose yourself at Quoin Head in Fitzgerald River National Park

FITZGERALD RIVER NATIONAL PARK

\$40 million has been spent improving roads and viewing areas in this stunning national park, containing nearly 20% of WA's plant species.

Lying between Hopetoun and Bremer Bay, surrounding the inlets of the Fitzgerald, Gairdner, Phillips and Hamersley Rivers, the park has some 209 species of birds and over 1,900 species of flowering plants. Migrating whales can be seen June to October. The amazing variety of vegetation also provides a haven for native animals.

Location and travel time:

193 kilometres west of Esperance. 2 hour drive.

Activities:

Sightseeing, walking, camping, canoeing, fishing. In winter, southern right whales may be spotted from the cliffs at Point Ann.

Walk Trails:

- **East Mount Barren** 3 hrs, medium to hard.
- **No Tree Hill** 3 kilometres, easy.
- **Twertup 'Horrie and Dorri'** 1-2 hours.
- **Point Ann Heritage Trail** 1 hour.
- **West Mount Barren** 1-2 hrs, moderate/easy.
- **West Beach Point** 1 hour.

Facilities:

BBQs, picnic areas, toilets, campsites. NO drinking water available.

STOKES NATIONAL PARK

Beautiful coastal and inlet scenery in this interesting estuarine national park. Stokes Inlet lies in a relatively deep valley with high dunes on either side. Plant and animal life of Stokes Inlet is typical of an estuarine environment.

Location and travel time:

Approx 80 kms west of Esperance. 1 hr drive.

Activities:

Birdwatching, camping, fishing, canoeing, walking.

Walk Trails:

- **Heritage Trail** - 4.3 kilometres return, easy.

Facilities:

Two camping areas near the inlet, with toilets and gas BBQs. NO water or power.

CAPE ARID NATIONAL PARK

This large and particularly scenic park is home to more than 160 bird species and is involved in their conservation. The park's walking trails are an excellent place to look for birds. The park overlaps the boundary of the Eremaean botanical province and includes beaches and the Thomas River and estuary.

Location and travel time:

Approximately 120 kilometres east of Esperance. 1.5 hour drive.

Activities:

Bushwalking, camping, birdwatching, whale spotting, picnicking, fishing.

Walk Trails:

- **Len Otte Nature Trail** -
1 kilometre return, around 1 hour.
Features views over the park and a close look at the varied plant and animal life.
- **Tagon Coastal Walk** -
7 kms return, allow 4 hours. Views over coastline, southern right whales in season.
- **Mt Ragged Walk** -
3 kms return, 3 hours. Stiff walk to the top of Tower Peak.

Facilities:

Campgrounds, bush toilets, gas BBQs. NO drinking water available. Camp fees apply.

PEAK CHARLES NATIONAL PARK

This ancient granite peak and its companion, Peak Eleanora, provide sweeping views over dry and distant sandplain heath and salt lake systems.

Location and travel time:

100 kms inland from Esperance. 1.5 hour drive.

Activities:

Follow the walking trail. Climb Peak Charles.

Facilities:

Apart from toilets at designated camping areas, no other facilities. Visitors should carry water.

TAKE A TOUR, DINE OUT, OR VISIT GALLERIES & ATTRACTIONS

Esperance has dining options to suit all tastes and budgets with small bars now opening up. You'll find delicious bakeries, cafes, restaurants and a range of takeaway food outlets.

Esperance is famous for its tours. Take a 4WD tour along Australia's whitest beaches to the turquoise waters of Cape Le Grand. Half day cruises to Woody Island are available exploring the archipelago.

There is also a great range of local artisan galleries, like Section Glass Gallery & Café with

its kiln formed glass studio. Other places of great interest will be Stonehenge, a full size recreation of the UK original and Mermaid Leather, where you'll be fascinated how they turn fish skin into leather.

If you're into fishing, the Outback coast is the place for you with fishing charter companies ready to take you out for an incredible day.

Why not spend half the day wandering other town attractions such as the brand new foreshore redevelopment, Museum Park Period Village and the Esperance Museum with its highlight Skylab exhibit.

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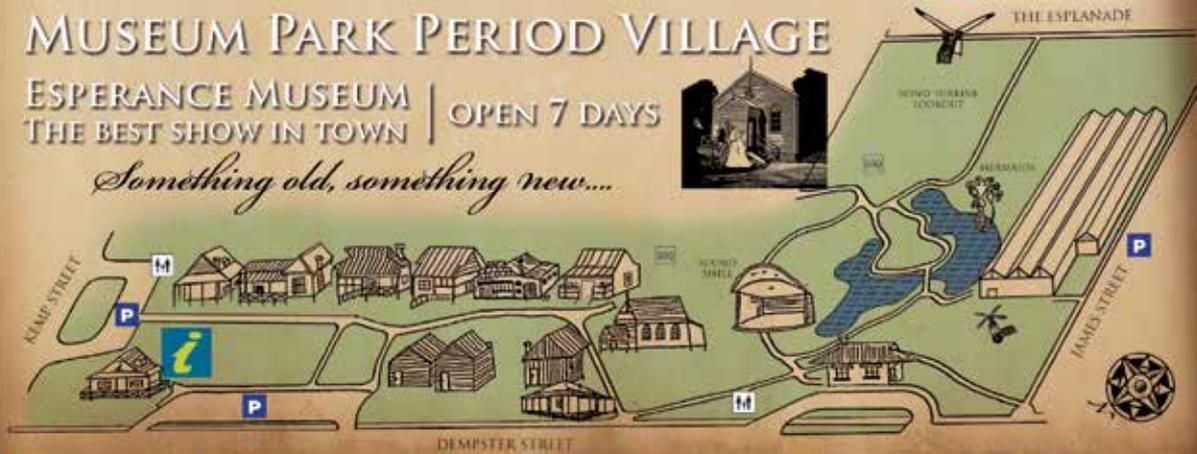
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FANTASTIC ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS IN ESPERANCE

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The Esperance and the coastal region is also a campers and caravanners paradise. You can stay in caravan parks in and around Esperance or perhaps camp out in one of the national parks, all within an hour's drive

of the town centre. Boasting Australia's whitest beaches, camping in these coastal national parks is a holiday experience found no where else, kangaroos will even come up to you on the beach in Lucky Bay.

Esperance truly has accommodation to suit all tastes and budgets. Motels in Esperance are very comfortable, all located on or near the beachfront, within easy walk of the town or that sunset stroll along the foreshore.

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WHY NOT STAY IN AN APARTMENT, COTTAGE OR CARAVAN PARK?

The great thing when you travel to Esperance is that there is a range of accommodation to suit every type of holidaymaker.

For the long stay visitors needing accommodation Esperance has a fantastic range of holiday apartments giving more space and the ability to cook for yourself. These apartments range from luxury beachside units right in town, through to budget apartments still close to the beach. You can even rent a holiday home in Esperance.

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HOPETOUN, MUNGLINUP & RAVENSTHORPE

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Internationally recognised as a UNESCO listed Biosphere, the region is reputed to have more plants for its size than any other similar area in the world. Wildflowers are in evidence all year round and spring is best.

After exploring the natural surrounds, visitors can enjoy the relaxed pace of Ravensthorpe, Munglinup and Hopetoun.

Hire cars are available in Ravensthorpe and should be pre-booked to avoid disappointment.

A recommended route is the Fitzgerald Coast loop. Start in Ravensthorpe, travel down to Hopetoun and then to Munglinup via the sealed Jerdacuttup Road. Travelling from Hopetoun to Esperance is 188km via Jerdacuttup Road, a good day trip option.

Find out more by going to www.fitzgeraldcoast.com.au

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THINGS TO SEE AND DO

- 1 Visit historic Ravensthorpe
- 2 Watch the whales at Point Ann
- 3 Spot the wallabies at dawn or dusk (anywhere)
- 4 Visit historic Quaalupe Homestead
- 5 See the solidier settlement town Jerramungup
- 6 Visit John Dunn's grave
- 7 Have a kiss at the Meridian time line
- 8 Take a tinny out on the estuary at Bremer Bay
- 9 Explore Ravensthorpe Range in the wildflower season
- 10 Take a kayak out on Hamersley Inlet
- 11 Feel the exhilaration of climbing East Mt Barren
- 12 Fish off Hopetoun Jetty at sunset
- 13 See Royal Hakea in the Fitzgerald River National Park
- 14 Enjoy spectacular coastal scenery from East Mt Barren Lookout
- 15 Stroll on pristine beaches
- 16 The beginning of the Rabbit Proof Fence
- 17 Cocanarup Memorial



Hopetoun is surrounded by unspoilt wilderness, abundant pristine white beaches and is the perfect setting for a relaxed all year round holiday.

The small township of Hopetoun is nestled on the tranquil shores of Mary Anne Haven and was once a thriving port for the Phillips River Goldfields. It's a perfect destination for anyone who wants a quiet refreshing holiday spot without the crowds. Many visitors come in September to April and the locals recommend March to May for the best weather.

Hopetoun offers a spectacular and scenic coastline interspersed with rocky headlands, inlets and ranges. 200km of magnificent and accessible white sandy beaches in Australia is great for boating, windsurfing, swimming, snorkelling, fishing, and whale watching.

Inland there is excellent bush walking and wildflowers. Hopetoun is the eastern gateway to the world-renowned Fitzgerald River National Park. The Hamersley Drive offers stunning coastal and inland scenery.

Hopetoun has caravan parking, motel style and self-contained accommodation available. Camp sites are available within the Fitzgerald River National Park and on Southern Ocean Drive.

HIGHLIGHTS TO SEE AND DO

- Spend a lazy afternoon swimming, snorkelling, playing cricket or fishing at **2 Mile Beach**.
- Visit the new **Hopetoun Community Resource Centre** for visitor information, maps and internet facilities.
- Join the locals for a **'Groynie'**. Sit on the Groyne with a glass of wine and enjoy the sun setting over the ocean and East Mt Barren.
- Make the most of a clear night with a walk on **West Beach** and admire the Southern Cross shining brilliantly over the Southern Ocean.
- **Take a day trip to Esperance** via the sealed Jerdacuttup Road. 188km one way.
- **Southern Ocean Road** a well kept West Australian secret. East of Hopetoun travel 93km along beautiful coastal scenery and stop at one of the many secluded beaches. From June to October keep a look out for whales. Stay the night at Starvation Bay or Mason Bay.
- **Culham Inlet** is a peaceful lagoon that depending on the water levels can be home to numerous birds and fish. Fed by two rivers and held back from the sea by dunes. This site has a bird hide and interpretative signage.



Enjoy the setting sun over the ocean from Hopetoun jetty



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FITZGERALD RIVER NATIONAL PARK

Covering an area of 330,000 hectares it is one of the largest and most botanically significant national parks in Australia.

It boasts a magnificent coastline of rocky headlands, white sandy beaches, inlets and striking ranges. Situated between Hopetoun and Bremer Bay it surrounds the Fitzgerald, Gordon, Hamersley and Culham inlets.

Part of the Fitzgerald Biosphere it's recognised for its rich and unique biodiversity, the world's most important Mediterranean ecosystem.

Recently reopened the new Fitzgerald River National Park features fully surfaced coastal roads and lookouts with spectacular views.

A new interpretive area has been created with some of the interpretive displays being state of the art. As you drive along stop at the many beaches and undertake walks along the numerous trails. A fully resurfaced Hamersley Drive now takes you to the spectacular and remote Hamersley Inlet.

In spring, this national park offers a magnificent show of wildflowers and the variety of textures and colours will amaze you. Endemic flora species include the spectacular Royal Hakea, Qualup Bell, Barrens regalia and Sepulcralis.

Migrating and breeding whales can be seen from vantage points within the park from June until October at Point Ann viewing platform.

Generally many coastal park roads are accessible by 2WD and the park interior is rugged with mountainous terrain and requires 4WD or walking.

Walking visitors should ensure footwear is clean to prevent dieback, preferably sprayed with 70% methylated spirits.

HIGHLIGHTS TO SEE AND DO

- **Barrens Lookout** located on the eastern side of East Mt Barren has a viewing platform with universal access. Short walk amongst spectacular wildflowers overlooking Barrens Beach, Culham Inlet and Hopetoun.
- **Experience Hamersley Drive & Sepulcralis Hill Lookout** and be amazed by the abundant wildflowers all year round including the endemic Royal Hakea and Qualup Bell.
- **Barrens Beach** has 200 metres of squeaky white sand complimented by rocky outcrops and reef. Swim, fish, snorkel and play the day away. Site includes interpretative signage, seating and toilet facilities.
- **Four-mile campground** Renovated and upgraded in 2012, the site provides camping for tents and small camper trailers. Facilities include toilets, change room suitable for a portable shower, BBQ and picnic area. Great paths, easy five minute walk to Barrens Beach.

RAVENSTHORPE



The scenic drives in Ravensthorpe will be a highlight of your trip and should start with a visit to the Museum.

The stunning Ravensthorpe Range is a must to explore. With geological complexity, an abundance of plants, wildflowers and fauna, it is one of 34 recognised global biodiversity 'hot spots', the only one in Australia. It has long been recognised as an area of significant mineralisation with an extensive history of exploration and mining activity.

Historically referred to as the Phillips River Goldfield, more than 90 gold and copper mines have operated at one time or another in the range since the 1890s. There is very little gold mining activity in the area now, but there are still prospects and mining operations sourcing nickel, cobalt, spodumene, pegmatite silver and gold.

Agriculture extends over and past the range, and is approximately one-third of the Ravensthorpe Shire. The productive farmland produces a variety of produce including: wheat, oats, barley, lupins, canola, field peas, beans, wool, cattle, sheep and to a lesser extent, honey, aquaculture (yabbies) and wildflowers.

The Ravensthorpe Museum is staffed by local volunteers and has a fantastic and comprehensive display on the history of the region. The Museum also offers tourism information. Another great information centre in Ravensthorpe is located inside IGA, on top of the hill in the main street, with most local businesses offering visitor brochures as well.

HIGHLIGHTS TO SEE AND DO

- **Farm Gate Art** is a great selection of crafts made from scrap steel off farms and are dotted around the landscape. A map of their location and an explanation of each work is available from local tourism information outlets.
- **Ceramic Pioneer mural** at Jubilee Park on the main street with playground and BBQ.
- **Archer Drive Lookout** 20kms return. Wildflowers, picturesque sweeping farmland views from the Ravensthorpe Range.
- **Elverdton Road** wildflowers line the south side of the road and 15 km south of Ravensthorpe the Ethel Daw lookout is breathtaking.
- **Ravensthorpe Wildflower Show** held in mid-September each year the show has more than 600 labelled different species on display. You can enjoy guided 4WD tag a long tours, a guided heritage railway walk, Devonshire teas and local art exhibition. Visit www.wildflowersravensthorpe.org.au for more information.
- **Mt Short Scenic Drive** 40kms return allow 2hrs. Highest point in Ravensthorpe Range 453m, picnicking, wildflowers, scenery, old gold mine, climb Mt Short.

- **Mt Madden Scenic Drive** 160kms return allow 5-6hrs. Pallarup Rocks picnic spot, large granite rock covering 20ha to explore, panoramic views, and wildflowers.
- **Railway Heritage Walk Trail.** A four-section walk track through natural bush. The original railway track was built to connect Ravensthorpe mines to the Hopetoun Port and operated from 1909 to 1935.
- **Ravensthorpe Range 4WD** fascinating 28km drive across Ravensthorpe Range, see new mining activity, wildflowers, mallee fowl and kangaroos.

MUNGLINUP

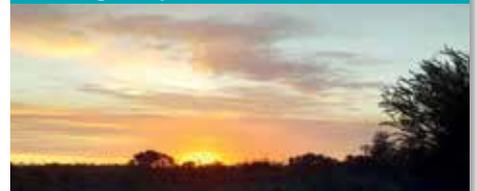


Secluded hideaways, Munglinup Beach and Oldfield Estuary.

The Oldfield Estuary area offers visitors plenty of activities including canoeing, small boating, kayaking, nature bush walks, wildflower viewing and fishing.

Munglinup Beach forms a lagoon that is protected by a reef and here you can swim or snorkel, enjoy the underwater world or just relax on the beach. If you are looking for a secluded beach you needn't go any further, you'll find it here or just around the corner. Lake Shaster and the Oldfield Estuary are renowned havens for rare and unusual birds.

Munglinup Beach Caravan Park



Nice quiet relaxing park. Great spot for fishing, canoeing, great beaches, big river, white sands, powered and unpowered sites, onsite vans, cabins, cottages and units.

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Children relaxing on Munglinup Beach



NORSEMAN & The Nullarbor

NORSEMAN

Population 700



Situated at the crossroads of Highway's 1 and 94 in the Southern Goldfields, Norseman is the major centre in the Shire of Dundas that covers approximately 93,000 square kilometres and reaches as far as the WA/SA border. This makes Norseman the gateway to Western Australia and the Nullarbor.

Gold was discovered in 1894 by prospector Laurie Sinclair when his horse Norseman went lame and Laurie discovered that the piece of rock lodged in Norseman's hoof was gold bearing. Excited by this Laurie continued his prospecting, resulting in a major find that sparked a gold rush and established a town that was named in honour of the horse. Gold has been mined ever since creating a long history of boom and bust, people from many cultures coming and going, tough times, good times and endurance that has led to the modern mining operations of today and a stable successful community.

Various venues in town have interesting historical displays to visit as well as a fascinating heritage drive trail, all telling stories of bygone social and mining history. Aside from gold, Norseman is also blessed with non precious gemstone fields ideal for fossicking, great fun for individuals or families.

Norseman is fortunate to be located in the Great Western Woodlands that contains the largest temperate woodland left in the world. It is surrounded by these beautiful woodlands,

with many unique tree species, perfect for outdoor enthusiasts providing the opportunity for camping, bush walking, visiting stunning granite rock formations, enjoying the many species of wildlife and wildflowers and just embracing nature at its best.

Nearby vast ancient salt lakes, the remnants of huge river systems from the ice age are quite intriguing. These offer excellent photo opportunities with the salt crusts forming odd shapes, shimmering mirages in the summer heat and eye catching sunsets or sunrises with the lakes as the foreground.

As you leave Norseman you embark on the magical Nullarbor journey with its timeless beauty, breathtaking scenery and the newest activity, the Nullarbor Links, the world's longest golf course. Nine holes are located within the Shire of Dundas. With so much to see and do we encourage you to stop, stay and explore.

PLACES OF INTEREST

Historical Collection

The newly restored museum is well worth a visit. It houses a superb collection of mining and early pioneer displays as well as exterior exhibits that include a large piece of Skylab.

The Tin Camels

Unique corrugated iron camels that stand in the Prinsep Street roundabout are a tribute to the camel trains that carried mail and freight in the early days.

Beacon Hill Lookout and Walk Trail

A 2 kilometre drive from the main street brings you to Beacon Hill and a panoramic 360° view over the town and surrounding countryside.

Phoenix Tailings Dump

A majestic backdrop to the town resembling a topless pyramid that has been shaped by the weather. Today it still contains gold worth a considerable amount of money.

Granite Woodlands Discovery Trail

The trail from Norseman to Hyden features 16 interpretive sites that invite camping and bushwalking, viewing granite rock formations and a wildflower wonderland in spring.

Heritage Trail

The original Cobb and Co route this 28km self-drive tourist trail is a pleasant bush track which features historical interpretive stopping points. It ends at the original Dundas townsite and the ancient Dundas Rocks.

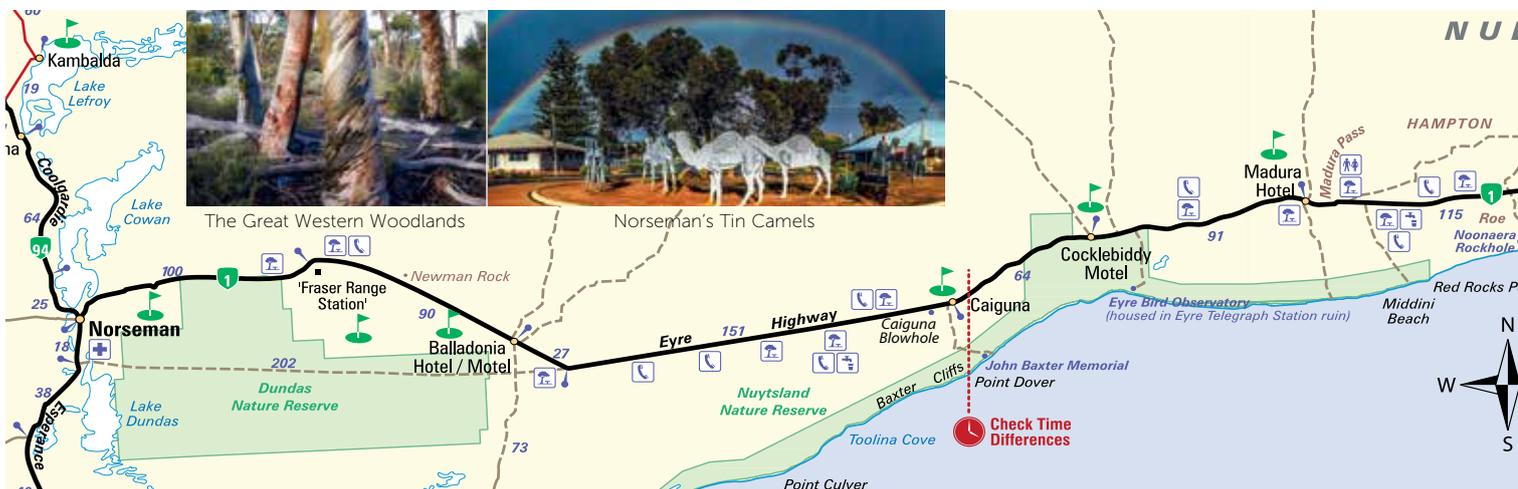
Dundas Rocks

Huge ancient boulders and rock formations are scattered through the bush that invite exploration. Add to this a picnic and BBQ area set amongst the trees and it creates the perfect family outing. Approximately 22km south of town.



Norseman Visitor Centre

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Email: tourism@norseman.info
Web: www.norseman.info



THE NULLARBOR

The Nullarbor Plain is a harsh and unique landscape, home to a variety of wildlife including wombats, wedge-tailed eagles and whales. Crossing the Plain is one of the world's great road adventures, with plenty to see.

Fraser Range Station

One of WA's most enjoyable station stays, with scenic granite hills, surrounded by the world's largest hardwood forest.

Balladonia

Visit the Cultural Heritage Museum with Skylab debris and interactive displays.

Caiguna

Take a photo of Australia's longest straight road, 146kms in length. 5kms west of the town stop at the Caiguna Blowhole.

Cocklebiddy

Eyre Bird Observatory, in the Historic Eyre Telegraph Station, worth a stop - advance bookings are preferred on (08) 9039 3450. (4WD access only).

Madura

Spectacular views from Madura Pass.

Mundrabilla

Picturesque location along the escarpment. Site of Australia's biggest meteorite.

Eucla

Beautiful location with ocean views, on top of escarpment. Visit the old telegraph station ruins, stop at the museum.

PLAY THE AWARD WINNING NULLARBOR LINKS GOLF COURSE

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OBTAIN A NULLARBOR MAP OR DOWNLOAD THE APP

To help you plan your epic road trip across the Nullarbor, grab your copy of 'The Nullarbor' map and holiday planner from the Western Australian Visitor Centre in Perth, or call 1300 361 351. Alternatively you can now download a Nullarbor map App from Apple iTunes and Google play, or a digital map is available from www.nullarbormap.com.au



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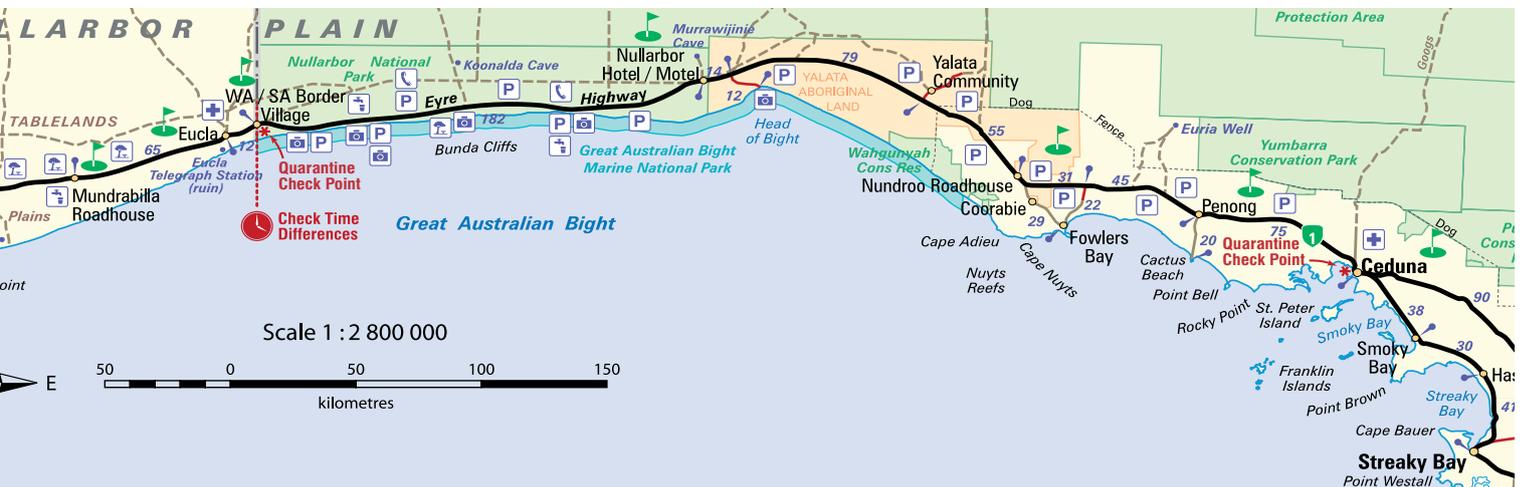


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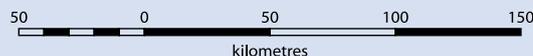


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Take part in OUTBACK EVENTS



Many towns, communities and regions across Australia's Golden Outback support a rich diversity of events, exhibitions, concerts, celebrations, shows and festivals. If you're planning an outback holiday there may be several events that you can participate in along the way. Here's just some of the major events in Australia's Golden Outback.

Just a sample of some of the events:

- 11-12 Mar Wagin Woolorama
- 10-16 Apr Chasing the Sun Nullarbor
Links Golf Festival
- 16 Apr Williams Gateway Expo
- 7-8 May Dryandra Country Art,
Food & Wine Trail
- 8 May Destination Merredin
- 13-14 May Mount Magnet Astro Rocks Fest
- 4-6 June Leonora Golden Gift Weekend
- 24-25 Aug Dowerin GWN Field Days
- Sep Perenjori Blues for the Bush Festival
- 3-9 Sep Wattle Week Festival, Dalwallinu
- 7-8 Sep Newdegate Machinery Field Days
- 13 - 24 Sep Ravensthorpe Wildflower Show
- 14-17 Sep Mukinbudin Spring
Festival & Art Exhibition
- 18-25 Sep Discover the Round,
Kalgoorlie-Boulder

- 23-26 Sep Meeka Outback Festival,
Meekatharra
- 24-26 Sep Wave Rock Weekender
- 30 Sep-2 Oct Kulin Bush Races
- 8 Oct Cambinata Extravaganza, Kukerin
- 8 Oct Moora Cup Races
- 8-9 Oct Laverfest, Laverton
- 28-30 Oct Reynolds Reserve Festival,
Wongan Hills
- 17-19 Nov Narrogin RevHeads
- 1-3 Dec Saint Barbara's Festival,
Kalgoorlie-Boulder

Before you go on holidays make sure you visit www.australiasgoldenoutback.com for a detailed and up to date event calendar highlighting some of the shows, festivals and sporting events throughout the entire region.



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TIPS & TRAVEL INFORMATION

Driving & Other Tips

Self driving through Australia's Golden Outback may take you into some remote areas where forward planning is extremely important to ensure your experience is safe, enjoyable and memorable. The following is a list of safety tips to assist you:

- Always tell someone where you are going, your return dates and your itinerary.
- Make sure your vehicle is in top mechanical condition.
- Check road conditions before departure. Rain can make some tracks and roads impassable. When travelling on unsealed roads, exercise extra caution and 'read' the road well ahead of the vehicle.
- Carry extra food, water, fuel and vehicle spares if you are travelling on remote tracks.
- In event of a breakdown in a remote location, remain with your vehicle.
- The outback can be very hot in summer. Make sure you carry plenty of drinking water.
- Roads and tracks on private property should not be used without the landholder's permission. Leave gates as you found them.
- Take care at all railway crossings not all crossings have flashing lights.
- Large slow-moving agricultural machinery may be encountered on highways and local roads, so take care when overtaking.
- Dust can obscure vision when travelling or passing on dirt roads.
- Beware of wandering livestock and wildlife, especially at dusk and dawn.
- Be prepared! Pack a first-aid kit.
- Slow down on corrugated dirt roads. Drive at a speed suited to the prevailing conditions.
- In remote locations, Visitor Centres, petrol stations and food outlets are open limited hours. Please ring Visitor Centres in advance for further information.
- Plan to travel for no longer than eight or ten hours a day. Take a break every two hours.
- Please dispose of your rubbish properly.
- When visiting national parks and nature reserves don't disturb any animals, plants, Aboriginal relics or landscape features.
- During the warmer months obtain fire danger information, only light fires when permitted in the designated areas. Advice available from local Visitor Centre or DPaW ranger/office.
- Vehicles must keep to formed tracks, avoid driving on unsealed roads in wet conditions.
- Road trains are common and often have up to four trailers travelling max. 100kph. Always leave approximately 200m between vehicles in a

convoy. Only overtake if the road is clear and visible for a long distance ahead.

- Mobile phone coverage in remote parts is indicated by:  

Please be aware, Telstra Bigpond 3G is the main service provider in the very remote locations, other providers have limited coverage.

Fuel and Food

Food and fuel are generally available every 100 - 300 kms. It is recommended that you plan ahead, some service stations have restricted opening hours and limited bank/credit facilities. LPG Autogas is not available in all regional areas. Contact local Shires or Visitor Centres for fuel availability. In some remote locations fuel is Opal Fuel, which runs in normal engines but is designed to stop substance abuse.

Aboriginal Lands

Permits are essential for travel on Aboriginal Lands. The Outback Way, between Laverton and Uluru, is patrolled and fines will be issued if visitors have not obtained a permit. Permits are also required to traverse sections of the Canning Stock Route, Gunbarrel Highway and Anne Beadell Hwy. Permit application forms in WA are available from the Dept of Aboriginal Affairs www.daa.wa.gov.au. If applying online, approval is almost immediate but other methods of application may take longer to process. If travelling through adjoining lands in other States or Territories, you need to obtain relevant permits from those organisations. Traditional owners can refuse entry permit. When travelling through Aboriginal Lands, drivers are prohibited to divert off the main road, alcohol not allowed to be carried through Aboriginal communities.

Travelling with Pets

Dogs and cats cannot be taken into any WA national parks. Contact caravan parks direct to identify any that may be pet friendly.

WA Quarantine & Inspection Service

WA is free of many pests, weeds and diseases. Protect flora and livestock industries by not bringing fresh fruit, vegetables, plants, flowers, seeds, nuts, honey, used fruit and produce containers, soil, hay and livestock into the state. Checkpoints operate at Border Village for westbound vehicles and Ceduna for eastbound. Contact WA Quarantine and Inspection Service (08) 9334 1800 or agric.wa.gov.au

Gold Prospecting & Fossicking in WA

To prospect you require a Miner's Right. This authorises prospecting on unoccupied crown

land and other areas, subject to conditions. Prospecting cannot be carried out in national parks, nature reserves, on Aboriginal and heritage sites, and within townsites or other classified areas such as cemeteries. Permission is required from the landowner to enter private property (such as farmland). For further information, contact the Department of Mines & Petroleum (08) 9222 3333 or visit dmp.wa.gov.au

Important Contacts

Automobile Association of Aust: Tel 13 11 11

National Emergency Breakdown service

Drive Safe WA: Tel (08) 9525 2252

www.drivesafewa.com.au

Drive WA: www.drivewa.com

For more information on drive trails,

GPS co-ordinates and trip distance calculator.

Main Roads: Tel 13 81 38

www.mainroads.wa.gov.au

Emergency (Police/Ambulance/Fire): Tel 000

Royal Flying Doctor Service: Tel 1800 625 800 (emergencies only)

National Parks Passes

Day Pass - Daily entry into one or more parks.

Available from rangers. Fees: \$12/car (up to 12

legally seated people), \$6/motorcycle. \$5.50/

passenger or \$1.70 concession card holder.

Holiday Park Pass - Entitles you to multiple visits

to many parks for any four-week period. Fees:

\$44/vehicle (up to 12 people)

Annual All Parks Pass - Entitles you to visit any

park in WA for 12 months.

Fees: \$88/vehicle (up to 12 people)

Further information: Dept of Parks and Wildlife

(08) 9219 9000 or visit www.dpaw.wa.gov.au

2016 Public Holiday Dates

New Year's Day 1 January

Australia Day 26 January

Labour Day 7 March

Good Friday 25 March

Easter Monday 28 March

Anzac Day 25 April

Western Australia Day 6 June

Queen's Birthday 26 September

Christmas Day 25 December

Boxing Day 26 December

2016 WA School Holidays

18 Dec 2015 - 31 Jan 2016

9 Apr - 25 Apr 2016 & 2 Jul - 17 Jul 2016

24 Sep - 9 Oct 2016 & 16 Dec 2016 - 31 Jan 2017

Please note: all drive times mentioned in this holiday planner are suggestions only. These are usually based on travelling at 100kms per hour in 110kmph designated speed zones but please ensure that you drive to your capabilities and according to the road, surface and weather conditions at the time.

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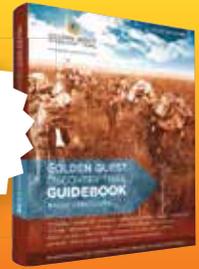
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