

11 Day Karris to the Coast Package



Highlights

Margaret River
Busselton
Winery Visit
Bicentennial Tree
Valley of the Giants
Blow Holes
Natural Bridge
The Gap
Albany
Pinnacles Desert
Kalbarri National Park
Monkey Mia
Coral Bay
Ningaloo Reef
Turquoise Bay
Yardie Creek
Exmouth

Day 1 : Perth to Augusta

We leave early this morning travelling south to the historic Busselton Jetty and picturesque Geographe Bay. After lunch in the Yallingup area, we tour Ngilgi Cave and travel along Caves Road where we stop to sample some of the locally produced Margaret River Wines. We see the famous Prevelly Park surf break before arriving in Margaret River, with time to wander the art and craft galleries before the short journey to Augusta. (LD)

Day 2 : Augusta to Albany

After breakfast we make our way towards the Karri forests and the 75 metre high Bicentennial Tree (you have the opportunity to climb it!). Our next destination is the Valley of the Giants and the Tree Top Walk. Here we walk through the canopy of the ancient tingle forest, 40 metres above the forest floor. At William Bay National Park we view the large granite formations of Elephant Rocks and take a dip in the clear waters of Greens Pool. Travelling east via Denmark we finish the day at The Blow Holes, The Natural Bridge and awe inspiring The Gap before arriving at Albany. (BLD)

Day 3 : Albany to Perth

From the top of Mt Clarence we have spectacular views of King George Sound, the outer islands and Albany. At Middleton Beach we take a stroll along the heritage boardwalk and check out the beach. We begin our journey back to Perth with a stop to climb Castle Rock for stunning views of the Stirling Ranges, then travel through the wheat and sheep farming district. (BL)

Day 4 : Perth

A free day to explore the sights of Perth including King's Park, Cottesloe Beach, Fremantle and Rottnest Island. (Meals and activities at own expense).

Day 5 : Perth to Kalbarri

Jump aboard as we head north to Nambung National Park and explore the fascinating formations of the Pinnacles Desert. Our journey continues along coastal roads passing by seaside fishing towns until we arrive at some local sand dunes. Get ready for an adrenaline hit! Sand-boarding will get your blood rushing. In the afternoon we pass through the major port of Geraldton, before reaching our overnight stop in the seaside resort town of Kalbarri. (LD)

Day 6 : Kalbarri to Shark Bay

It's an early start this morning for a short drive to Murchison Gorge in the Kalbarri National Park. Here we explore Nature's Window and Z-Bend Gorge which is an exhilarating 150 metre descent into the heart of the gorge. Be rewarded with a swim in the tranquil water pools (seasonal). Feeling adventurous? Give abseiling a go (own expense). In the afternoon we head towards Monkey Mia and enter the Shark Bay World Heritage area. Along the way we stop at beautiful Shell Beach before reaching our overnight stop at Denham. (BLD)

Day 7 : Shark Bay to Coral Bay

We hit the beach this morning and make our way to see the world famous Monkey Mia dolphins – have your camera ready for some great shots of these entrancing animals. From here, we head to Carnarvon with a stop at a banana plantation (time permitting). From Carnarvon we finish the day by driving the highway to Coral Bay, the Jewel of the North. (BLD)

Day 8 : Coral Bay and Exmouth

It's time to explore! Spend today discovering the wonders of the Ningaloo Reef and its fantastic marine wildlife. Snorkelling, cruising on a glass-bottom boat, quad bike tours or a joy flight over the reef are just some of the ways you can check out this beautiful aquatic sanctuary (all at own expense). Late this afternoon we make the short trip to Exmouth. (BLD)

Day 9 : Exmouth

Another day of freedom and relaxation! You can head underwater to go diving (optional) or we'll tour around the area including great snorkelling and lazing on the beach at Turquoise Bay. We will also take a short walk at Yardie Creek. (BL) (Note: Passengers on the 5 Day option depart tour this afternoon, overnight accommodation is not included.)

Days 10-11 : Exmouth to Perth

We hit the road at 6.30am to begin our trip back to Perth, staying overnight at Northbrook Farmstay for our last evening together. In the morning, it's a short trip to the Principality of Hutt River, where you'll be fascinated with Prince Leonard's story and why he seceded from Australia – a unique story! Bring your passport along to add another stamp! From here, our journey south towards Perth continues. Along the way we stop at Greenough Wildlife Park, which is home to a python breeding centre. Get friendly with a snake (and other native animals) if you're game! We arrive back in Perth in the late afternoon. (Day 10: BLD; Day 11: BL)

Bring: Sturdy walking shoes (ankle high), hat and sunscreen, towel and toiletries, swimming gear, warm clothing in winter, water bottle, torch, insect repellent/net, camera and pillow.

Included: Experienced guide, meals as indicated, dorm accommodation (or upgrade to backpacker double/single), select accommodation pick ups and national park fees.

Note: Tour is operated as a code-share with Western Xposure. Upgrade accommodation is limited and subject to availability at time of booking.

YOUR TRIP DETAILS

Confirmation Number

Departure Date

Departure Location

Finish Date

Local Payment Amount

THINGS TO REMEMBER

You need to reconfirm your tour on 1800 068 886 at least 48 hours before departure.

Your luggage **MUST** be kept to a maximum of 15kgs, except on tours to Kakadu, where the maximum is 10kgs.

Drink lots of water, wear a hat and sunscreen.

Part of the enjoyment of our tours is participating!

Max People: 21



HOSTEL

Tour Code: WA11

LUGGAGE: Luggage must be kept to a MAXIMUM OF 15 KGS (except KAKADU tours which are MAXIMUM 10KGS) in a backpack or soft overnight bag with a small day pack for easy access to camera, film, sun block etc. It is recommended to plan ahead and arrange to store bulky items at pre-tour accommodation. It may be necessary to freight excess luggage at passenger's expense.

MEALS: Our emphasis is on fresh food wherever possible and our meals are nutritious and varied. We cater for vegetarian and gluten intolerance – please advise at time of booking.

FITNESS & PARTICIPATION: Our tours are active and most require a reasonable level of fitness. Tours graded '3 boots' are only suitable for very fit and active people who enjoy basic bush camping. They are not suitable for children. If you have any doubts about the suitability of your clients please check with our reservations team as we reserve the right to assess suitability to participate at check-in. Passengers are expected to help with the preparation of food, washing of dishes and general assistance to the guide as directed.

INSURANCE: Travel insurance is NOT included. We strongly recommend that passengers have their own travel insurance against illness, injury, loss/damage to personal belongings and not being able to travel on the confirmed departure date.

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