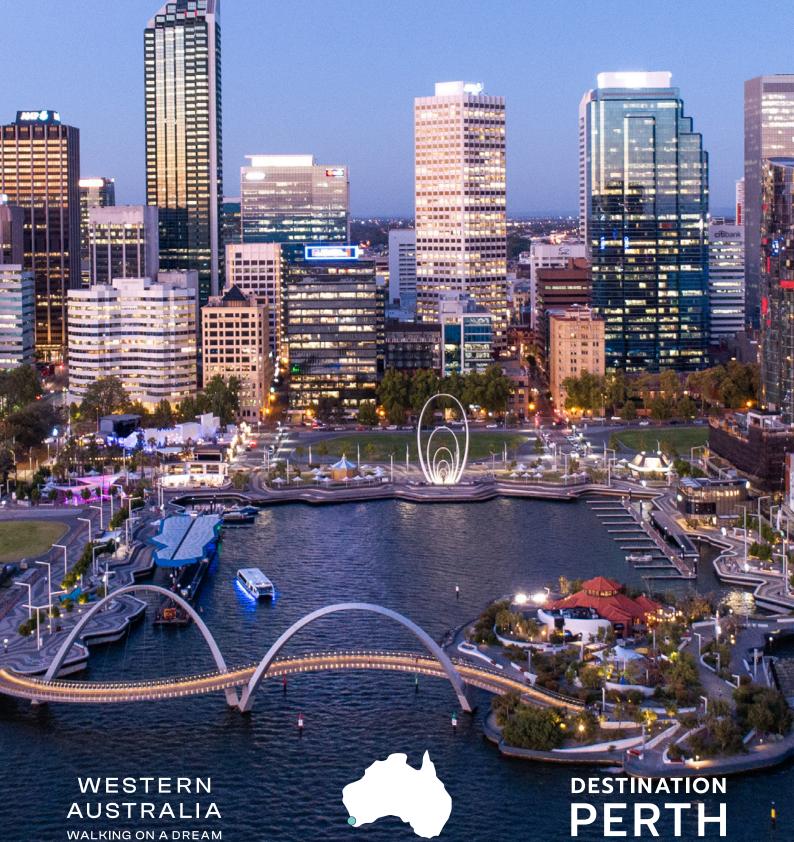
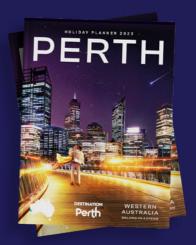
# Perth



## Destination Perth Holiday Planner



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The annual Destination Perth Holiday Planner is your comprehensive guide to visiting Perth and surrounding regions, with all the information you need to know on where to stay and all the things to see and do during your visit.

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# OUR REGIONS



#### Perth City (Pg 6-9)

Positioned on the banks of the Swan River, Perth City sits centre stage to the great outdoors. Enjoy an urban and contemporary stay as you indulge in rich dining and entertainment experiences. Immerse yourself in cultural walking tours, museums, galleries, theatres and more. Home to the world's most beautiful stadium, Australia's longest running arts festival, edgy street murals, lively laneways, rooftop bars, and a melting-pot metropolis of food, music and culture.



#### Perth Beaches (Pg 14-15)

With 197 kilometres of sun, sea and sand to be enjoyed along the coastline, you can be as active or chilled out as you like. Getting to Perth's beaches is easy, with most just a short drive from the city centre. There are all kinds of watersports on offer from swimming and fishing, to surfing and kiteboarding, as well as plenty of great snorkeling and diving trails to discover. Here, soak up a sensational sunset, with WA being the only place in Australia where the sun sets over the ocean.



#### Swan Valley (Pg 22-23)

Located 25 minutes from Perth City, lies Perth's decadent wine region. Home to world-class wineries, breweries and distilleries, the Swan Valley is bursting with music and flavour. Discover all the region has to offer along an indulgent self-drive Swan Valley Trail, or experience a bountiful day out on a group or private tour, featuring samples of local honey, chocolate, nuts, spirits, wine, and more. Dine on fresh, local produce in the outdoors and enjoy relaxing views of the vineyards.



#### Rottnest Island (Pg 12-13)

Just 20km off the coast of Fremantle, lies the sunny holiday island of Wadjemup/ Rottnest, blessed with picturesque scenery, dazzling marine life and pristine beaches and bays to explore. Home to the world-famous quokka and an abundance of tours, and attractions, hire a bike and cycle the island or use the hop on hop off bus to get around. Wine and dine on local seafood at beach-front venues and be sure to delve into the island's military, maritime, and rich Aboriginal history.



#### Fremantle (Pg 10-11)

Just 30 minutes from Perth City, Fremantle is renowned as Perth's Old Town, full of vibrancy, history, colour and culture. Fremantle's streets are abuzz with pubs, small bars, restaurants, and the renowned 'Cappuccino Strip'. Check out one of the stylish micro-breweries or dine on fresh seafood at Fremantle Fishing Boat Harbour. Fremantle Prison; a premier, World Heritage Listed tourist attraction, and the Fremantle Markets are key attractions.



#### Perth Hills (Pg 24-25)

Scattered throughout the wide ranges of the Darling Scarp and only 45 minutes east of Perth City, you'll find the Perth Hills. From fruit picking to wine tastings, the hills are the creative hub of Perth. Picturesque hiking and bike trails, picnic spots, and waterfalls can be found here, alongside art galleries, artisan and farmers' markets. Best explored on a tour, or by self-drive, explore vibrant villages, national parks, state forest, and heritage pubs and attractions.



#### Rockingham (Pg 16-17)

Located just 45 minutes south of Perth, Rockingham offers an abundance of outdoor activities with beautiful expanses of safe beaches and the Shoalwater Islands Marine Park boasting a variety of exciting activities. Dive with dolphins, swim with sea lions, frolic with fairy penguins or dial it up with skydiving, jet packing and scuba diving. Explore offshore islands where marine life thrives and coastal flora blooms, and dine on the waterfront along the foreshore.



#### Mandurah & Peel (Pg 18-21)

A quick train ride or an hour's drive south of Perth City, spot wild dolphins dancing in protected waters, explore the estuary and inlet brimming with birdlife, blue manna crabs and crayfish. Or explore Venetian-like canals and the Ocean Marina. Inland, are protected wetlands teeming with thousands of varieties of birds and wildlife, adventure awaits too with world class hiking and mountain bike trails. A range of accommodation allows for overnight stays.



#### Avon Valley (Pg 26-27)

A comfortable hour's drive east of Perth City, lies a patchwork of green rolling hills, babbling brooks and historic country towns. The perfect destination for pottering through craft shops and museums, picnicking on the banks of the Avon River, hot air ballooning at dawn or setting out on a scenic bush walk. Antique fairs and vintage car rallies, flower shows, farmers markets and the famous Avon Descent river event bring this charming region to life, best explored via self-drive.

### Access Perth



#### **BY TRAIN**

The Indian Pacific rail service operated by Great Southern Rail provides coast to coast transport over a three-day duration from Sydney, Melbourne or Adelaide.



#### **BY SEA**

Throughout the year the port of Fremantle features on world cruise itineraries as part of Australian coastal cruise packages which offer a range of opportunities to explore Western Australia by sea. In addition, a number of cruise lines call Fremantle their home port and provide cruise itineraries which include WA and SE Asia.



#### **BY AIR**

Perth Airport is Australia's western hub and the gateway for regional, domestic and internationalair services. There are over 20 international, domestic and regional airlines that operate at Perth Airport connecting travellers to over 100 destinations around Australia and overseas. Direct flights operate to the major Australian cities of Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide, Darwin and Hobart and international direct flights operate to cities such as Singapore, Denpasar, Jakarta (from Nov 2022), Kuala Lumpur, Rome, Hong Kong, Bangkok, Johannesburg (from Nov 2022), Auckland, Dubai, Doha, Mauritius and London with many onward connecting flights to other destinations both within Australia and overseas.

#### **FLYING TIMES TO PERTH**

Abu Dhabi
Brisbane 4hrs 30mins
Denpasar 3hrs 40mins
Dohar 11hrs 20mins
Dubai 11hrs 10mins
Frankfurt 18hrs 10mins
Guangzhou 7hrs 55mins
Hong Kong 7hrs 45mins
Jakarta 4hrs 45mins
Johannesburg 10hrs 45mins
Kuala Lumpur 5hrs 30mins
London18hrs 50mins
Los Angeles 21 hrs
Melbourne 3hrs 35mins
Rome18hrs 50mins
Singapore 5hrs 15mins
Sydney 5hrs 5mins
Tokyo 12hrs 50mins

#### **AIRLINES**

INTERNATIONAL: AirAsia X Air Mauritius (from Nov 2022) Air New Zealand All Nippon Airways (from Nov 2022) Batik Air Cathay Pacific Airways **Emirates** Indonesia AirAsia

Qantas Qatar Airways Scoot

Malaysia Airlines

Singapore Airlines Thai Airways Virgin Australia

DOMESTIC: Jetstar Qantas

#### **AIRPORT ACCESS**

There are brand new roads to and from Perth Airport, to make access even easier. Transperth operates regular bus services between Perth Airport and Perth City while a Terminal Transfer Bus can take passengers to and from T1/T2 and T3/T4 Terminals. Car hire is available from Perth Airport as well as dedicated areas for rideshare and passenger pick-up and drop-off by private transport. The new Forrestfield-Airport link is under construction, with the first trains to the Airport Central Station commencing in late 2022, connecting the airport to the Perth railway network.

All people, except Australian and New Zealand Passport holders, require a visa to enter Australia. Contact your Australian consulate in your home country or visit www.borders.gov.au













#### **GETTING AROUND**

#### TAXIS AND RIDESHARE

Taxis are usually plentiful in Perth and are available at dedicated ranks available throughout the CBD, major shopping hubs and nightspots and from both the domestic and international airport terminals.

An extensive bus network provides a main public transport option for Perth. The Perth City Underground Bus Port, located in the heart of the Perth City Link, is the central hub for bus transport throughout the Perth Metropolitan area.

#### FREE CAT BUS

Perth, Joondalup and Fremantle are serviced by an efficient public transport system as well as a free shuttle service - The Central Area Transit service (CAT). Throughout Perth, the CAT buses run on four routes providing free transport around the city centre and to Leederville.

The main commuter ferry terminal is located at Barrack Street Jetty in the CBD. The jetty services travel to and from Fremantle and Rottnest Island and is the departure point for wine cruises to the Swan Valley. Transperth also operates a ferry service between Elizabeth Quay and Mends Street

#### **TRAINS**

Perth Central Train Station, including Perth Underground Station, is located in the heart of the city. Modern trains link Perth's suburbs at Fremantle, Butler, Mandurah, Midland and Armadale.

#### PRIVATE VEHICLES, COACHES AND CAR HIRE

There are several private car and coach companies operating with both small and large vehicles in the city and surrounds These services are perfect for transfer to and from the airport, transfer to events or for local and regional tours.

#### **WALKING AND CYCLING**

Perth has a comprehensive network of cycle and dual-use paths in the central city and beyond. One of the most popular routes for leisure cyclists and walkers is a circuit around the Swan River at the doorstep of the city. Riverside routes are clearly signposted and detailed cycle maps can be obtained from most metropolitan bicycle retailers. There are also pathways popular for recreation lining much of the coast.

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Perth is a vibrant, cosmopolitan city that features a mix of modern developments and heritage buildings along with a wide range of accommodation and dining options, tours and attractions, and free public transport within the CBD, making it easy for visitors to get around.

Visitors can dine at a wide variety of restaurants and cafes with dishes from around the globe, relax with a drink at an impressive line-up of laneway and rooftop bars and browse through a host of upmarket shopping precincts featuring luxury international brands to local boutiques and designers

Perth City hosts a variety of events throughout the year. Stadiums and ovals, theatres, concert halls, museums and galleries, and public spaces host international sporting events, major arts and food festivals, concerts and exhibitions.

The surrounding suburbs of Northbridge, Mount Hawthorn Leederville, North Perth, Mount Lawley, Burswood, South Perth, Victoria Park and Subiaco are easily accessed by public transport and offer visitors a range of dining and entertainment options.

Perth is situated on the banks of the Swan River, a vast waterway that flows from the northern reaches of the Swan Valley and exits into the Indian Ocean north of Fremantle. The jetties at Barrack Street and Elizabeth Quay are the departure points for river cruises to Fremantle and the Swan Valley, as well as ferries to South Perth and Rottnest Island. In the city, the river is surrounded by dual-use walk and cycle trails, and experiences on the water including kayaking, sailing, water biking, jet skiing, boating and stand-up paddle boarding.

#### **KINGS PARK**

Kings Park is one of the largest inner-city parks in the world with huge expanses of natural bushland, native botanic gardens, grassy lawns and magnificent views over the Swan River and Perth City. It showcases an outstanding collection of Western Australian flora and is a popular place for picnics, walks and cultural and ceremonial events. Kings Park is also home to the West Australian Botanic Gardens displaying over 3,000 species

of the state's unique flora. A stunning variety of wildflowers are on show during spring, from September to November.

The total area of Kings Park is 400.6 hectares and features both cultivated gardens and untamed bushland. Visitors can walk among the treetops on a suspended bridge, join an Aboriginal cultural experience with a local Nyoongar tour guide, browse the gift shop, enjoy a coffee or lunch at the

café, visit the State War Memorial and enjoy an outdoor concert in summer. There are also a variety of excellent playgrounds and picnic areas for families.

Free guided walks are led by the Kings Park Volunteer Guides, self-guided walking trail maps are available from the Visitor Information Centre and several tour operators offer guided tours. Kings Park is free to enter and is open 24 hours a day.



#### **GETTING THERE**

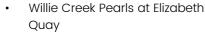
Located 20 minutes' drive west from the Perth Airport. Access to other regions by car, train, cruise or day tour.

#### **ACCOMMODATION**

- Airport Apartments by Vetroblu
- Alex Hotel
- All Suites Perth
- Aloft Perth
- Baileys Parkside Motel by Vetroblu
- Citadines St Georges Terrace Perth
- Comfort Inn & Suites
- Goodearth Perth
- COMO The Treasury
- Country Comfort Perth
- Crown Metropol Perth
- · Crown Promenade Perth
- Crown Towers Perth
- Crowne Plaza Perth
- DoubleTree by Hilton Perth Northbridge
- DoubleTree by Hilton Perth Waterfront
- Duxton Hotel Perth
- Four Points by Sheraton Perth
- Fraser Suites Perth
- Holiday Inn Perth City Centre
- · Holiday Inn West Perth
- Hyatt Regency Perth
- · Ibis Perth
- Ibis Styles East Perth
- InterContinental Perth City Centre
- Mercure Perth
- Metro Hotel Perth City
- Metro Hotel South Perth
- Nesuto Curtin Perth Hotel
- Novotel Perth Langley
- Novotel Perth Murray Street
- Pagoda Resort & Spa
- Pan Pacific Perth
- · QT Perth
- Quality Hotel Ambassador Perth
- Quest East Perth
- Rydges Perth Kings Square
- The Melbourne Hotel
- The Peninsula Riverside Serviced Apartments
- The Ritz-Carlton, Perth
- The Westin Perth
- Tribe Perth Kings Park
- Vibe Hotel Subiaco Perth
- Wonil Hotel

#### ATTRACTIONS, RESTAURANTS & TOURS

- AmazingCo Experiences
- Astrotourism WA
- ATG Downunder
- Aussie Perth Tours
- Australian Pinnacle Tours
- Captain Cook Cruises WA
- Coal River Farm Perth
- Crystal Swan Cruises
- Djurandi Dreaming
- Down under Motorcycle ToursEscape This
- Escape to WA
- Funcats Watersports
- GoGo Active Tours
- Lumineer Adventure Tours
- Matagarup Zip + Climb
- Nauti Picnics
- Oh Hey WA
- Peddle Perth
- Perth Explorer
- Perth Waterbike Co.
- Segway Tours WA
- Skydive Perth City
- Swan River Seaplanes
- Optus Stadium
- The Perth Mint
- Two Feet & a Heartbeat Tours
- Ultimate Watersports
- WA NT TOURS
- Warrang-Bridil
- Western Safari
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#### **BUCKET LIST**

- Visit Kings Park, one of the largest inner-city parks in the world for the best views of the city and river.
- 2. Explore Elizabeth Quay, a landmark waterfront entertaining and dining precinct.
- 3. Head to Barrack Square for a cruise on the Swan River.
- 4. Visit northbridge and Yagan Square for great food, live music and culture.
- 5. Venture through the new WA Museum Boola Bardip.
- Enjoy rooftop cocktails at The Art Gallery of Western Australia's Rooftop Bar.
- Explore food trails, hidden bars and vibrant street art with a guided walking tour.
- 8. Take in the sites on a bike, kayak, waterbike or segway
- Visit Heirisson Island, the home of a colony of Western Grey Kangaroos.
- Check out the exotic animals at Perth Zoo or watch a gold pouring display at The Perth Mint.

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Fremantle, located 20km south of Perth City, is accessible by train, car or river cruise. Visitors can explore Fremantle on foot, bike, tram or on a guided tour.

Fremantle is one of the world's best-preserved examples of a 19th century port seascape and is known for having Western Australia's largest display of heritage buildings. Its numerous historic attractions, museums and galleries tell a story of convict prisoners, maritime heroes and pioneers.

The vibrant streets of Fremantle make it a popular place to wine and dine with weekend markets,

pop up food outlets, casual and alfresco dining, exciting events and festivals and heritage pubs.

Visitors can browse through stunning art galleries, studios and local markets as well as discover the city's range of Australian fashions and independent design boutiques.

Discover Fremantle's fascinating past and rich colonial and maritime history at The Round House Precinct, Fremantle Prison, WA Maritime Museum and WA Shipwreck Galleries. The Fremantle Fishing Boat Harbour is also popular, with its numerous seafood restaurants, micro brewery, serviced apartment accommodation and Bathers Beach.

#### **GETTING THERE**

Located 35 minutes' drive from Perth City. Visit by cruise from Perth City, public transport, car or day tour.

#### **ACCOMMODATION**

- Be. Fremantle
- Discovery Holiday Parks -Woodman Point
- Esplanade Hotel Fremantle by Rydges
- Gallery Serviced Apartments
- Hougoumont Hotel
- Nautica Residences by Seashells
- Quest Fremantle Apartment Hotel
- The National Hotel Fremantle
- Warders Hotel

#### **TOURS & ATTRACTIONS**

- Adventure World
- Charter 1
- · Cicerello's Jet Adventures
- Corsaire Aviation
- Fremantle Fishing Boat Harbour
- Fremantle Prison
- Kookaburra Air
- Sailing Eventide





#### **BUCKET LIST**

- Explore the Fremantle

  Markets and shop for local
  fashions and gifts.
- Enjoy fresh fish and chips at Fremantle Fishing Boat Harbour or local flavours at the many restaurants and cafes.
- 3. Take a step back in time and visit the historical Fremantle Prison, The Roundhouse or Whalers Tunnel.
- 4. Check out the new Walyalup Koort for dining and entertainment experiences galore.





Rottnest Island, located 19 kilometres off the coast of Perth, is accessible by ferry from Perth City, Fremantle and Hillarys Boat Harbour.

Rottnest Island offers picturesque scenery, large populations of marine life and some of the world's finest beaches and pristine bays. Getting around is best done on foot or by bicycle with hire available on the island or through the ferry companies. There is also a hopon-hop-off bus tour as well as guided walking and segway tours.

Traverse the island's unique landscapes along the Wadjemup Bidi; a series of walk trails across spectacular coastal headlands and past stunning inland lakes and encounter both natural and

manmade attractions along the way.

Aquatic activities include snorkelling, diving, adventure cruising, kayaking, waterbiking, stand-up paddle boarding and swimming -there are over 60 beaches and bays, 14 shipwrecks and stunning limestone reefs teeming with marine life.

Learn about the island's rich history at the Wadjemup Museum, Lomas Cottage, Pilot Boat House, Vincent Way and Salt Store, head up to the Bathurst Lighthouse for amazing views. There is also a golf course, movie theatre, cafes and restaurants, art gallery and minigolf course.

Rottnest Island abounds with wildlife including bottlenose dolphins, fish and coral, whales in season, seals, several species of shorebirds and of course, the quokka.

Accommodation on the island ranges from premium resort rooms and eco-glamping tents, to heritage-listed cottages and holiday units.

#### **GETTING THERE**

Located 19 kilometres from the coast of Western Australia. Ferries depart from Perth, Fremantle, Hillarys regularly. Air taxi or helicopter to the island or visit on a seaplane day tour.

#### TRANSPORT TO THE ISLAND

- Rottnest Air Taxi
- Rottnest Express (Journey Beyond)
- Rottnest Fast Ferries
- Sealink Rottnest Island

#### **ACCOMMODATION**

- Rottnest Island Authority
- Samphire Rottnest

#### **TOURS & ATTRACTIONS**

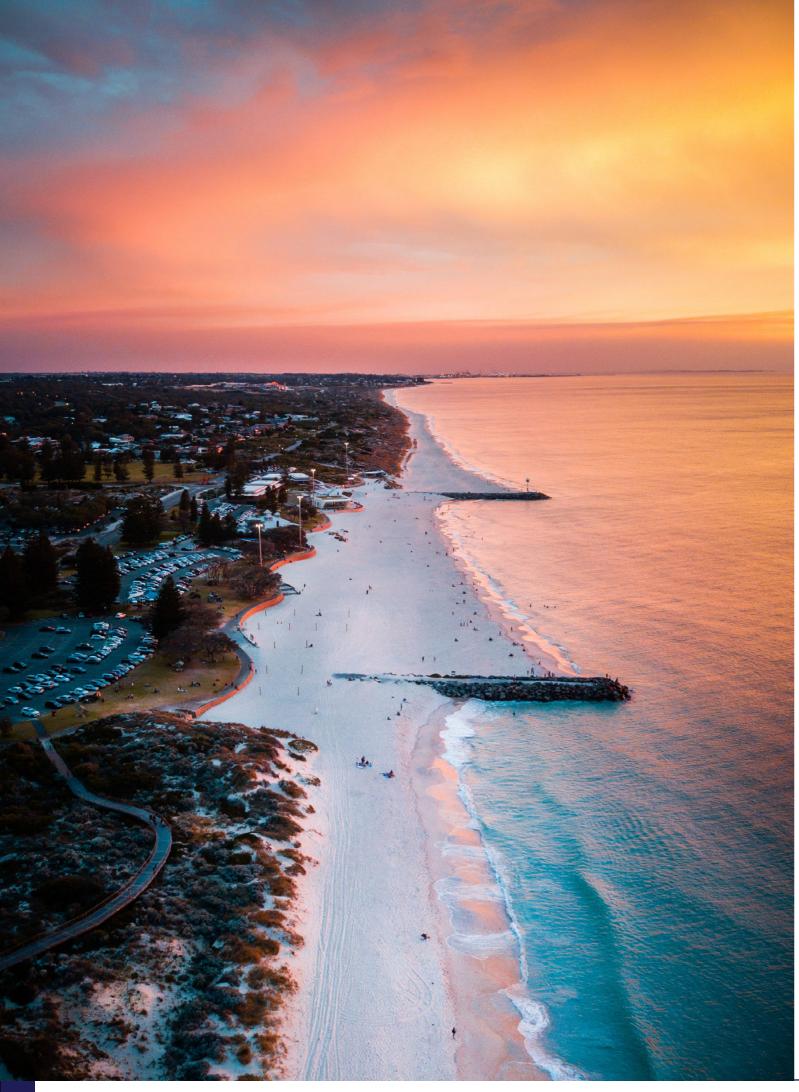
- Dive Traveller's
- Fly Rottnest Island
- Rottnest Cruises
- Rottnest Express
- Rottnest Snorkel
- SeaLink Rottnest Island
- Segway Tours WA Rottnest Island
- Skydive Geronimo
- · The Hike Collective





#### **BUCKET LIST**

- Hire a bike or e-bike for a day's ride around the island.
- Visit Thomson Bay, the primary settlement on the island with cafes, restaurants and retailers.
- 3. Meet the locals and say hi to a quokka, dolphin or seal.
- 4. Swim and snorkel the underwater drive trails or the crystal clear beaches.
- Skydive on to the beach or catch a seaplane to take in the views.
- Enjoy a Luxe Island Seafood





The Perth Beaches encompass 197 kilometres of beautiful coastline from Lancelin in the north to Mandurah in the south.

The beaches of the Sunset Coast are just a short drive from Perth City, with the northern and southern limits no more than an hour away.

Perth's coastline is a water lover's paradise offering some of Australia's finest beaches, world-class marinas and uniquely stunning sunsets.

In Lancelin, visitors can enjoy numerous adventure activities including windsurfing, sandboarding, fishing and diving.

Gingin and Moore River offers wineries, fresh produce, picturesque countryside and adventure, while Yanchep National Park features a koala sanctuary, amazing limestone caves and educational experiences of Aboriginal culture.

Hillarys Boat Harbour is a popular location for visitors and locals, with an enclosed beach and variety of cafes, restaurants and retail outlets. Hillarys is also home to the Aquarium of Western Australia one of Perth's premium attractions.

The Indian Ocean provides great conditions for swimming, surfing, fishing, kiteboarding as well as snorkelling and diving.

Dual cycle and walking paths edge many parts of the coastline passing some of Perth's most iconic beaches such as Sorrento Beach, Scarborough Beach and Cottesloe Beach.

There are plenty of seaside cafes and restaurants to enjoy a meal or drink for breakfast, lunch or dinner. When visiting the Perth Beaches be sure to witness the spectacular sunsets over the stunning Indian Ocean -it is one of the few places in Australia this occurs.

#### **GETTING THERE**

The closest beach is a 20 minute drive from Perth City, head up or down the coast by car, public transport or day tour.

#### ACCOMMODATION

- Executive Escapes
- Joondalup Resort
- Odyssea City Beach
- Pronto Apartments
- Quality Resort Sorrento Beach

- Quest Innaloo
- Quest Joondalup
- Ramada VetroBlu Scarborough Beach
- Rendezvous Hotel Perth Scarborough
- Seashells Scarborough
- The Marina Mindarie

#### **TOURS & ATTRACTIONS**

AQWA - The Aquarium of Western Australia

- Karrinyup Shopping Centre
- Paul's ECO E-Bike Tours
- Perth Go Surf
- Perth Quad Lancelin Tours
- Whale Watching by Rottnest **Fast Ferries**
- Stargazers Club WA
- Treetops Adventure Yanchep National Park
- Wanneroo Botanic Gardens





#### **BUCKET LIST**

- Swim at one of the 19 white sand beaches.
- Take in the beauty of a sunset over the Indian Ocean.
- Enjoy seaside dining or explore the many marinas.
- Take a dip in a beachside pool in Scarborough.
- Learn about the local aquatic life at AQWA - Aquarium of Western Australia

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Rockingham is located 45km south of Perth and easily accessed by train, bus or car. The city fronts onto the sheltered waters of Cockburn Sound, with Garden Island, Penguin Island and Seal Island making up the beautiful Shoalwater Islands Marine Park.

Visitors can catch the ferry across to Penguin Island; get up close with the local wild dolphins on a swim with dolphins tour (available June to September); explore the wildlife sanctuary zone on a glass bottom boat cruise; learn about the nesting seabirds (there are around 50 species in the area); and view the rare Australian sea lions lazing on the beach and frolicking in the waters surrounding Seal Island.

Those looking for even more adventure can skydive onto the beach, join a sea kayaking wildlife tour, learn to kiteboard, jet ski, snorkel or dive amongst the limestone reefs and wrecks at the West Coast Dive Park, or simply relax on the beach at Safety Bay or Rockingham Beach.

The Rockingham Foreshore offers plenty of seaside dining and entertainment, large grassed areas with playgrounds and BBQ facilities, and a new boardwalk with direct access to the beach.

Wineries can be found in the surrounding area, history buffs can set out on several heritage trails and there are first-class championship golf courses nearby.

#### **GETTING THERE**

Located 45 minutes' drive from Perth City, visit by car, public transport or day tour

#### **ACCOMMODATION**

- Hotel Clipper
- Quest Rockingham
- Rockingham Apartments

#### **TOURS & ATTRACTIONS**

- Capricorn Sea Kayaking
- Peel Estate Wines
- Perth Wildlife Encounters
- Pinjarra Bakery Port Kennedy
- Skydive Perth Rockingham





#### **BUCKET LIST**

- 1. Swim with wild dolphins on an incredible eco-experience.
- Take a cruise through the Showlwater Islands Marine Park.
- 3. Be adventurous and skydive onto the beach.
- Go scuba diving at the West Coast Dive Park or join a sea kayaking tour.





Considered the ideal holiday destination for the whole family to relax by nature, Mandurah is just under an hour's drive from Perth city and accessible by car, train or day tour.

It is Western Australia's largest regional city and known for its beautiful waterways and relaxed coastal atmosphere.

Mandurah offers great beaches, vast waterways and canals, dining and entertainment, and a world class golf course with ocean views. A popular activity for visitors is to cruise through the Venetian style canals, lined with amazing million dollar homes, as well as the Peel-Harvey Estuary to spot the resident bottlenose

dolphins. These waterways are a spectacular playground for aquatic activities such as boating, fishing, waterbiking, swimming and crabbing.

The Mandurah Ocean Marina,
Dolphin Quay, and the Eastern
Foreshore are home to a range of
cafes, restaurants, a new distillery,
a performing arts centre, and many
picnic and play areas. Mandurah's
iconic estuary pool, Kwillena Gabi
has revitalised the foreshore area
and offers a paradise for young

families to cool off and enjoy the outdoors.

The Yalgorup National Park contains 11 coastal lakes and wetlands which are home to hundreds of migrating birds and some of the first living creatures on earth - the captivating Thrombolite living fossils. Preston Beach at the southern end of the park is a superb location for four-wheel driving, swimming, picnicking or fishing from its pristine white sandy shores.

#### **GETTING THERE**

Located 1 hours' drive from Perth City, visit by car, public transport or day tour

#### **ACCOMMODATION**

- Seashells Mandurah
- The Sebel Mandurah
- Mandurah Houseboats

#### **TOURS & ATTRACTIONS**

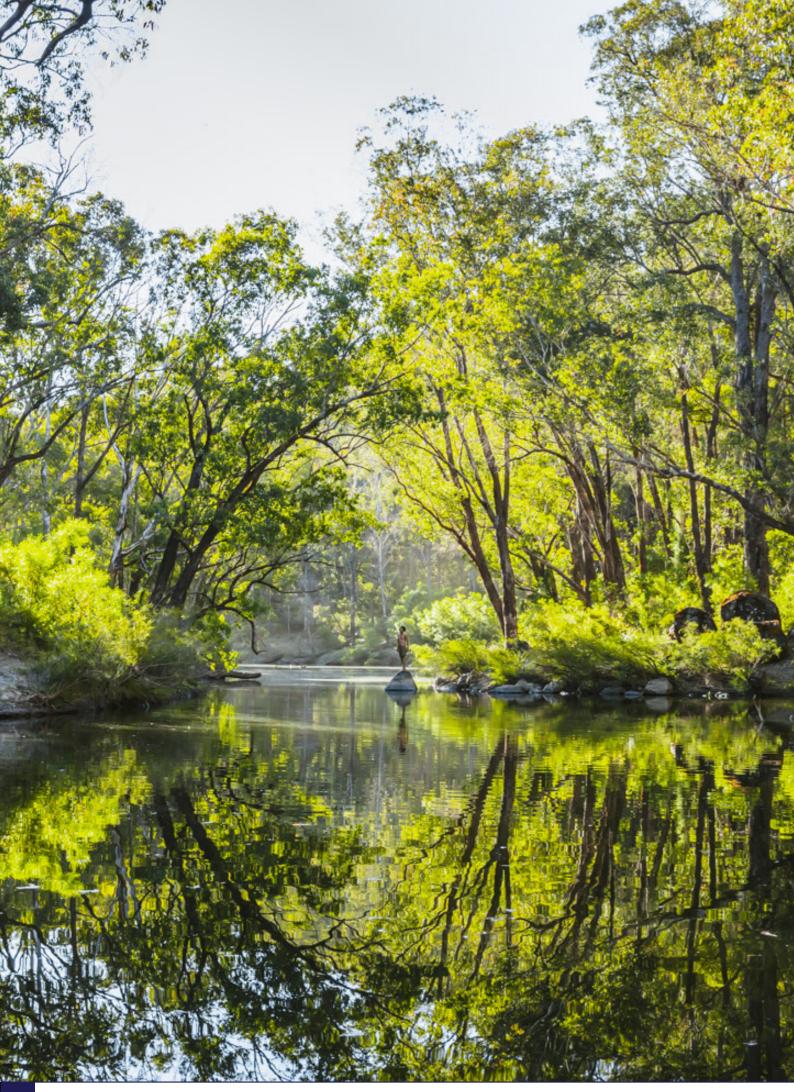
- Cicerello's Mandurah
- Goolamwiin
- Mandurah Boat Charters
- Mandurah Boat Hire
- Mandurah Cruises
- Pirate Ship Mandurah





#### **BUCKET LIST**

- Take a canal cruise and spot some friendly local dolphins.
- Try your hat at crabbing between January and April.
- 3. Explore the Mandurah Christmas Lights Trail by boat in December.
- Visit the Yalgorup Nation Park and the Thrombolite living fossils.
- Take a dip in the new Estuary Pool, Kwilena Gabi.





Inland from Mandurah, the Peel Region continues to form a natural adventure playground offering a range of activities for adventurers of all ages. Perfect for a day trip, here you can kayak along tranquil rivers, hike through national parks and reserves, mountain bike and more, with a range of unique small towns to visit.

The Shire of Murray stretches from North and South Yunderup, Ravenswood and Dwellingup to the Darling Scarp, with historic Pinjarra at its heart. Explore the abundance of nature inspired experiences on offer in the Lane Poole Reserve, where trails meet and rivers run. From kayaking, hiking, world-class mountain bike trails and camping facilities, the Murray region is full of natural attractions, heritage sites and adventure activities including a

tree-top obstacle course, skydiving, white water rafting and more. Hop aboard the vintage Hotham Valley Railway for a leisurely journey through rolling green hills and scenic landscapes or relax and cruise up the tranquil Murray River on a houseboat.

From there travel inland to the fertile farmlands and jarrah forests and you'll come across the township of Waroona, home to the Waroona Dam and Lake Navarino. Adventurists travel far and wide to waterski, canoe, fish and even sample vino at nearby wineries.

Boddington is another area popular for camping, fishing, hiking and bird watching. The well-known Boddington Gold Mine, Australia's largest gold mine resides here, with tours available.

#### **GETTING THERE**

Located 1 hours' drive from Perth City, visit by car or take a day tour.

#### ATTRACTIONS, RESTAURANTS & TOURS

- Dwellingup Adventures
- Millbrook Winery
- · Pinjarra Bakery
- Ranger Red's Zoo & Conservation Park

- Salt and Bush Eco Tours
- Treetops Adventure Dwellingup



#### **BUCKET LIST**

- Explore the river system and spot local wildlife with a kayak tour.
- Tackle the world-class Murray Valley Mountain Bike Trails.
- 3. Challenge your fears and move through the trees with a treetop adventure course.
- Discover striking scenery and camping spots galore in the Lane Poole Reserve.
- Visit wineries, antique shops, local galleries and more in quaint townships.
- Try the best meat pie in the world at the Pinjarra Bakery.





Located 25 minutes north-east of Perth, the Swan Valley is home to some of the oldest vines in WA and is Perth's premier food and wine region.

There are more than 150 places to discover including wineries, breweries, distilleries, cideries, gourmet producers, restaurants and cafes, markets and artist studios. Join a wine tasting bus tour, cruise from the city or hire a car and follow one of the nine themed Swan Valley Trails:

Fresh Seasonal Produce Trail: Sample the fresh seasonal produce and meet the people behind the produce.

Fine Wine Trail: A trail that visits all the wineries that have won trophies at the Swan Valley Wine Show.

Wine & Art, Off The Beaten Track Trail: Join vignerons and artists as they create handcrafted products in this authentic meetthe-maker experience.

Cider And Ale Trail: Discover an array of sparkling ciders and boutique ales.

Bush Tucker And Beyond Trail: Taste traditional bush tucker on this unique trail.

Sweet Temptations Trail: A journey of mouth-watering, world-class artisan produce handmade in the Swan Valley.

Kids In The Valley Trail: Enjoy family-friendly activities such as mini golf, super golf, mazes, water fun park (seasonal), farm animals, native wildlife, parks and playgrounds and more.

Distillery Trail: Visitors can experience five distinct and very different award-winning distilleries in less than a day.

Fortified Wine Trail: Fortified wines created in the Swan Valley are some of the most unique and complex made anywhere in the world. Discover them all on the Swan Valley's newest trail, the first of it's kind in Australia.

#### **GETTING THERE**

Located 30 minutes' drive from Perth City, visit by car or take a day tour.

#### **ACCOMODATION**

- Acclaim Swan Valley Tourist Park
- Banksia Tourist Park
- BIG4 Perth Midland Tourist Park
- Novotel Vines Resort Swan Valley

- The Colony at Mandoon Estate
- The Swan

#### ATTRACTIONS, RESTAURANTS & TOURS

- Caversham Wildlife Park
- Dale Tilbrook Experiences
- d'Vine Wine Tours
- Little Eeden Farm Honey & Apiary
- Maalinup Aboriginal Gallery

- Motor Museum of WA
- Nikola Estate
- Olive Farm Wines
- Perth Luxury Tours
- Perth's Outback Splash
- Sandalford Wines
- Sittella Winery & Restaurant
- Swan Valley Cuddly Animal FarmThe House of Honey
- Up Close and Local Tours
- Upper Reach Winery





#### **BUCKET LIST**

- Follow one of the many food and wine trails and taste local, gourmet goodies.
- Join masterclasses, summer markets, festivals and outdoor concerts.
- 3. Sample wines, trial beers, award winning gin and whiskey or find your favourite ciders and mead.
- Learn about the local wildlife at Caversham Wildlife Park and explore its many attractions.
- Create your own adventure with a private tour of the region.





The Perth Hills, 45 minutes inland from Perth, offers scenic self-drives through national parks, old growth forests and character towns including Mundaring, Kalamunda and Armadale.

Amongst the rolling hills you'll find fruit orchards and wineries, markets, art galleries and artist studios, luxury retreats, lakes and waterfalls, and scenic walking and cycle trails.

With the first vineyards in the Perth Hills planted in the 1880s, the region now boasts a wellestablished wine scene with a fantastic food and wine trail and cider and brews trail to follow. Visitors will also find cideries, fresh produce, country pubs, taverns and plenty of cafes and restaurants.

Surrounded by national and state forest the region boasts more than 40 bike trails, walk trails and wildflower trails, as well as scenic lookouts and picnic spots. The Perth Hills also marks the starting point for the famous 1000km long Bibbulmun Track, one of the world's great long distance walk trails, and the world-class off-road cycling trail, the Munda Biddi Bike Trail.

There are also several arts, natural and heritage attractions and landmarks including Araluen Botanic Gardens, Mundaring Weir and No 1 Pump Station, Kalamunda History Village, Railway Reserves Heritage Trail, Perth Observatory, wildlife parks, the Mundaring Arts Centre and The Bert Tyler Vintage Machinery Museum.

Visitors can self-drive or join a tour that will visit some of the region's best attractions, wineries and art galleries.

#### **GETTING THERE**

Located 45 minutes' drive from Perth City, visit by car or day tours

#### **ACCOMODATION**

- Amaroo Retreat & Spa
- Gumleaf Cottage Farmstay
- Rosebridge House Bed & Breakfast

#### **TOURS & ATTRACTIONS**

- Capture the Light Photographic Tours
- CORE Cider
- Perth Hills Armadale Visitor Centre
- Off The Beaten Track WA
- Perth Observatory
- Pinjarra Bakery Maddington
- The Bibbulmun Track
- The Hike Collective
- WA Mountain Bike Adventures



#### **BUCKET LIST**

- Experience the beauty of the forests and national parks.
- Bushwalk or cycle along one of the many scenic trails.
- 3. Enjoy delicious fresh fruits from the local orchards.
- 4. Sample tastings of locally produced wine, cider and cheese.
- Explore the wildflowers on display from September to November.





Just over an hours' drive east of Perth, the Avon Valley offers beautiful countryside, some of WA's oldest settlements and a variety of food and arts producers.

Visitors can enjoy hot air ballooning (seasonal), picnics on the banks of the Avon River, sample local produce, have a drink at a country pub, discover heritage buildings and explore museums and art galleries.

Northam is WA's largest inland town and boasts over 185 heritage listed buildings, restaurants and cafes, the state-of-the-art Bilya Koort Boodja Nyoongar Cultural Interpretive Centre and some amazing public art including the 38m high mural that marks the start of WA's PUBLIC Silo Trail. Established in 1831, York was the

first inland European settlement in WA and boasts fine examples of colonial architecture. Its heritage precincts include The York Residency Museum, Old Gaol & Courthouse and York Motor Museum. The town is also surrounded by heritage and nature walking trails.

Toodyay is nestled between scenic hills and the Avon River and is known for its colonial history and architecture. Connor's Mill is a working historical flour mill, and the Old Gaol houses a museum dedicated to the history of the region. There are also lavender

fields, country gardens and vineyards.

The towns of Goomalling, Beverley and Brookton also offer open countryside, fascinating history and heritage buildings, country markets and local arts and crafts.

An hour and a half drive north of Perth lies the 19th century Spanish missionary town of New Norcia – the only monastic town in Australia. Benedictine monks live a life of prayer, with the township offering guided tours and samples of local produce.

#### **GETTING THERE**

Located an hours' drive from Perth City, it's the ideal region to explore by car. The AvonLink train stops in Toodyay and Northam each week. Join a day tour to explore the region, with additional tours available throughout the wildflower season

#### ACCOMODATION

- Heyscape Tiny Cabins
- Laurelville
- Lavendale Country Retreat
- Pecan Hill Bed & Breakfast
- The Nosh & Nod
- Toodyay Manor

- Wheatbelt Luxury Escapes
- York Cottages & Burnley House

#### **TOURS & ATTRACTIONS**

- Bilya Koort Boodja
- Liberty Balloon Flights
- Northam Race Club
- Windward Balloon Adventures



#### **BUCKET LIST**

- Explore museums, historical attractions, galleries and the Bilya Koort Boodja.
- Enjoy the spectacular colours wildflowers bring in spring, and the canola blooms in August.
- 3. Try hot air ballooning, gliding or paragliding.
- 4. Check our New Norcia, the only monastic town in Australia.
- Explore quaint shops, artisan bakers and other Australian produce.

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#### **ABOUT US**

Perth Region Tourism Organisation is the peak destination marketing organisation responsible for promoting Perth and surrounds as an extraordinary holiday destination. We work in partnership with our membership base of over 300 local tourism operators, Tourism Australia and Tourism Western Australia to market Perth's tourism experiences to domestic and international leisure visitors. In addition, we actively engage with media and the travel industry worldwide to increase demand for Perth via multiple distribution channels and targeted activities in key source markets.

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