



Bibbulmun Track – Northcliffe to Walpole

9 Days



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Bibbulmun Track - Northcliffe to Walpole

This section of the Bibbulmun Track offers one of the most diverse walking experiences in Australia. It has it all - towering Karri forest, pristine rivers, grasslands, wetlands, beaches and dramatic coastal cliffs.

Visit one of the most inaccessible parts of the South West of Western Australia without compromising on comfort. Each evening we return to 'off track' accommodation so you can enjoy all of the sights and smells of the Bibbulmun Track, without carrying a heavy pack or sleeping rough.

This is a moderately challenging walk completed over nine glorious days, with many highlights. The walk is 148 kilometres total with days ranging from 4.5 - 27km. Preparation walking long distances is essential.

Parts of this section can get boggy and wet and may require wading in spring.

Details

Arrive:	Perth
Depart:	Perth
Duration:	9 Days
Group Size:	12 guests maximum
Average Age:	50-75
Activity Level:	Moderate to Challenging

Testimonials

"Our guides were intelligent, empathetic, knowledgeable, caring and safety conscious."

Barbara E

"Excellent accommodation and shuttle bus provision. Well done Inspiration Outdoors!"

Patrick G

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Highlights



Scenes like no other in Western Australia. Towering karri forests, grand tingle trees, ocean cliffs and savannah grasslands.



Walk on the most inaccessible part of the Bib Track and return to comfort each night.



Each day varies dramatically along this section. You will never be bored of the scenery around you.

What to expect



This track certainly has its challenges but the terrain is mostly moderate, with a couple of long days.



This challenging walk is made all the more easier by carrying only a daypack.



Average Temperature (degrees):

Autumn: 13 min - 25 max

Spring: 10 min - 21 max

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Itinerary

One of the most diverse walks in Western Australia. Forest, plains, mountains, cliffs and coast. This walk has it all.

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Day 1 DRIVE FROM PERTH THEN SHORT WALK

With an early-ish pick-up in Perth, we will head down to Northcliffe having lunch along the way. Shortly after lunch we will start with an easy introduction to the track with a 4km walk back to Northcliffe along the Gardner River. Generally flat on firm ground along the river with a little bit of road walking.

Activity: 4.2km walk

Meals: L, D

Accommodation: Northcliffe Hotel (or similar)

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Day 2 WHEATLEY COAST RD TO CHESAPEAKE RD

Our first proper walk is through a lovely mix of Jarrah, Marri and Karri forest. Much of the day is by the banks of the beautiful Gardner River.

It's an easy to medium walk with mostly flat, firm ground but some undulations through creek crossings and some sandy tracks.

Activity: 19.5km walk

Meals: B, L, D

Accommodation: Northcliffe Hotel (or similar)

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Day 3

CHESAPEAKE RD TO CHESAPEAKE RD

Today we reach the magnificent Lake Maringup which will surprise you with its size and beauty. Surrounded by Karri forest, this is a real highlight. Easy to Medium walk with undulations through culverts up to Lake Maringup, then generally flat for the rest of the way. A mix of firm and sandy ground.

Activity: 17.2km walk

Meals: B, L, D

Accommodation: Northcliffe Hotel (or similar)

Day 4

CHESAPEAKE RD TO DEESIDE COAST RD

Because there is limited access through this section, we have a short easy day today. Walk through flat open sedgelands, mixed with some jarrah and karri sections.

In the afternoon we will take the opportunity to visit nearby Broke Inlet - a vast and beautiful estuary with windswept paperbark trees and red granite rocks lining its shore.

Activity: 11.7km walk

Meals: B, L, D

Accommodation: Bayside Villas in Walpole (or similar)

Day 5

DEESIDE COAST RD TO MT CHANCE

A long day but very interesting and diverse day through the Pingerup Plains broken up by granitic knobs with surrounding karri and jarrah. This area is like nothing else in WA and very reminiscent of African Savannah (so Simon says).

Mostly flat walking with some small undulations around the granite knolls. We will follow an old forestry track for 4 km to get to the nearest vehicle access.

Activity: 27km walk

Meals: B, L, D

Accommodation: Bayside Villas in Walpole (or similar)

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Day 6

MT CHANCE TRAIL TO INLET RIVER

After we walk back into the track from the highway, we will enjoy more walking through the Pingerup Plains. We may have time to climb Mt Pingerup or Mt Chance for views of the surrounding area and the Broke Inlet (optional).

Today is mostly flat through low swampy areas with a few ups and downs around Mt Pingerup.

Activity: 20.5km walk

Meals: B, L, D

Accommodation: Bayside Villas in Walpole (or similar)

Day 7

INLET RIVER TRAIL TO MANDALAY BEACH

Today we hit the coast. It's a great walk with an amazing view from the top of the peak at Woolbales campsite. We reach the coastline and the Southern Ocean at Mandalay Beach.

It's easy and flat for the first half, with a pretty easy ascent to the top of the granite dome at Woolbales campsite. The second half of the walk becomes more difficult as you approach the coast with some hills and sandy ground.

Activity: 16.8km walk

Meals: B, L, D

Accommodation: Bayside Villas in Walpole (or similar)

Day 8

MANDALAY BEACH TO DEEP RIVER

A spectacular day starting on the rugged coastline, walking through dunes and heathland before finishing at the Deep River and in Giant Tingle country.

This is the toughest day of the tour terrain-wise. There are some steep sections on soft sand through the dunes with little shade.

Activity: 19.5km walk

Meals: B, L, D

Accommodation: Bayside Villas in Walpole (or similar)

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Day 9

DEEP RIVER TO WALPOLE THEN DRIVE BACK TO PERTH

A nice final day with a steep ascent of Mt Clare into magnificent Tingle and Karri forest before finishing in Walpole.

It is very steep start to the day with the climb up Mt Clare then easy to moderate walking on firm ground into Walpole. We should be in Walpole by lunch time and back into Perth around 6pm.

Activity: 12km walk

Meals: B, L

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Departure Dates

18 Nov 2022 - 26 Nov 2022

11 Mar 2023 - 19 Mar 2023

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Pricing

2022

\$2,685 Per Person

\$350 Deposit

Optional Extras

\$400 Single Supplement

Inclusions

All transport: private coach transport to and from

- Perth; as well as transport to and from the track each day
- Professional guiding and support each day
- Emergency support: guides carry satellite phones and a full first aid kit
- 8 night's comfortable accommodation
- 8 healthy breakfasts - cereal, fruit, yogurt, toast
- 9 morning teas, carried by your guide
- 9 lunches - some packed and some delivered picnics
- Pre-dinner nibbles each night
- 8 delicious two course dinners
- Excellent itinerary and planning drawn from 19 yrs experience

Exclusions

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Your next adventure is two steps away...

Jump onto our website www.inspirationoutdoors.com.au , find your tour in the menu and click on the orange button in the top right hand corner that states, 'CheckAvailability/Book Now' alternatively call us on 08 6219 5164 (international calls dial +618 62195164) or email us at walk@inspirationoutdoors.com.au.

Pay a \$350pp deposit to secure your booking (full payment is required six weeks prior to departure or at time of booking if booking within six weeks).

Cancellation Policy

All our tours are guaranteed departures.

We hope that you do not need to cancel your booking. However, if you do, our cancellation fee, based on the notice given prior to the departure date, is:

- More than 12 weeks: \$50 administration fee
- 6 to 12 weeks: loss of deposit
- 4 to 6 weeks: 25% of full tour cost
- 2 to 4 weeks: 50% of full tour cost
- less than 2 weeks: 100% of full tour cost, no refund

We understand times are still uncertain as we ride the rollercoaster of state outbreaks. That's why we've introduced flexible cancellation terms so that if you're in a pickle, your adventure isn't. Please see our cancellation policy during covid restrictions here <https://www.inspirationoutdoors.com.au/covid-19/>

If you have any concerns about cancelling, please take out travel insurance covering this contingency. This policy will be adhered to despite the most compelling and compassionate circumstances.

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About our tours

First, our tours are for people who like to walk long(ish) distances. That means we usually leave our accommodation pretty early each morning (between 7.30 and 8.30) and finish walking mid to late afternoon.

You won't break any records on our walks - for fastest or slowest hike. We keep a steady pace, but there are plenty of opportunities to rest, take photos and appreciate the views along the way.

A relaxed, social and supportive atmosphere is central to our tours. Have a chat and enjoy the sights and smells with your walking companions. Then back at the accommodation, slip into your comfy slacks and slippers and put your feet up with a cup of tea or a wine. Enjoy the conversation around the dinner table. And if you want to go to bed as soon as you've finished the last spoonful of dessert, or stay up and chat, you can.

We don't specialise in birds or plants or rare subterranean amphibians - although we're interested in all of these things. There are no evening lectures and you don't need to bring a notepad and pen (unless you want to). We have a sound and ever-expanding knowledge of the unique and special environments that we walk through, and love sharing what we know with those who are interested. We especially like digging around for stories of the plants and people whose history is linked with the areas we walk in and we'll share those stories with you as we walk.

Our tours are for those who enjoy the simple pleasure of walking in nature, combined with the luxuries of a proper relaxing holiday. We pay attention to the details so that you can relax and enjoy the experience. With the assistance of a team of knowledgeable friends, Inspiration Outdoors aims to provide... Recreation Beyond Expectation

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