



Kalbarri Coral Coast Walking Tour

8 Days



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Escape the cold this winter for a truly memorable adventure to the Coral Coast and Kalbarri National Park. Western Australia's Coral Coast is a stunning place, with peaceful gorges, spectacular coastline, beautiful wildflowers and amazing geology. This is the place where life first walked on the earth!

Over eight days, you will enjoy a number of walks within Kalbarri National Park, the colourful everlastings of Coalseam, a scenic flight and day trip to the "shipwreck" Abrolhos Islands, a spectacular full day marine excursion to Dirk Hartog Island, the Pinnacles, the dolphins of Monkey Mia and the hidden gem, Mt Lesueur National Park. Excellent healthy food, comfortable accommodation and professional guiding will make your experience all the more enjoyable.

The Coral Coast Kalbarri walking tour is relatively easy going, with plenty of time to relax. The longest walk is about 10 km and the terrain is not too difficult. There is some clambering on rocks, but we take our time.

Details

Arrive:	Perth
Depart:	Denham
Duration:	8 Days
Group Size:	12 people maximum
Average Age:	55-75
Activity Level:	Easy to Moderate

Testimonials

Had a fabulous time walking through the gorge, along the coast, snorkelling in the Abrolhos islands, seeing the flowers at Mt Lesueur and walking through the pinnacles. Tour guides - Sarah and Imogen ensured we ate great food, heard interesting stories, walked safely at our own pace, wonderful inspiring young ladies.

Trip Advisor

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Highlights



Wildflowers, wildflowers and more wildflowers. We've timed this tour with the blooming of many endemic wildflower species.



Stunning coastal cliffs, whale and seabird spotting while witnessing the surge of the Indian Ocean.



Charter plane over the scenic Abrolhos Islands to East Wallabi Island. Enjoy a snorkel in the pristine waters.

What to expect



Each night we will stay in comfortable ensuited motel-style accommodation.



Lunches will be prepared by your guides with all dinners out at local establishments.



Average weather for August: 10 degrees minimum and 22 degrees maximum

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Itinerary

Experience the best of the Coral Coast in 8 days. Explore the Abrolhos Islands by air and land, Dirt Hartog Island, Pinnacles, wildflowers of Mt Lesueur NP and Coalseam NP.

Day 1 PERTH TO PINNACLES + YUED PONAR TRAIL, MT LESUEUR NATIONAL PARK

First stop; one of Western Australia's most iconic destinations. The Pinnacles (Nambung National Park) is one of the strangest landscapes you will ever experience. Take a short walk around this limestone "forest" before we hit the road again towards our first big walk. Our afternoon walk is at the stunningly pristine Mt Lesueur National Park. One of the best wildflower spotting locations in WA, this 7 km loop walk has some fabulous views and many endemic wildflower species. There are definitely some challenges to this walk, with some rocky ground and a few ascents, but it is doable for the everyday walker, and well worth the effort. After the walk, we will head the short distance to Jurien Bay, where we will stay at the Jurien Bay Motel Apartments, and dinner will be a typical country pub meal down at the local.

Activity: 7km walk

Meals: L, D

Accommodation: Jurien Bay Motel Apartments, Jurien Bay (or similar)

Day 2 WILDFLOWER TOUR AT HI VALLEE FARM, COALSEAM CONSERVATION PARK AND GERALDTON

Wildflowers, wildflowers and more wildflowers! This is a really easy day, with a short drive out to Hi Vallee Farm in Badgingarra, to meet local floral icon Don Williams and his wife Joy. Don will take us on a tour of his property, sharing all his knowledge from years in the bush. Whether you are a casual lover of colour, or a real flower geek, a few hours with this local character is a morning well spent.

After Don and Joy's place, we will head north (2.5hrs) and roll out the yellow carpet! Whilst you may never have heard of Coalseam Conservation park, you have definitely seen photos of the carpets of colourful everlasting flowers. We have timed the departure of this tour to give us the best chance to see the everlastings at their peak, but nature can be cruel, so there are no guarantees. There is a flat easy 3km walk within Coalseam which we will do, taking our time to enjoy one of Western Australia's most memorable experiences. From Coalseam it is about a 1.5 hr drive to Geraldton, where we will base ourselves for the next two nights.

Activity: 3km walk

Meals: B, L, D

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Accommodation: IBIS Geraldton OR Hospitality Inn, Geraldton (or similar)

Day 3 A DAY TOUR OF THE ABROLHOS ISLANDS

It's an exciting day today as we hop on our own charter planes and fly over to the Abrolhos Islands, about 80 km off the coast of Geraldton. We'll take a scenic flight over the chain of islands, learning about their history and infamous shipwrecks, before setting down at East Wallabi Island. Here you can enjoy a short guided nature walk and a snorkel in the pristine waters.

We return to Geraldton mid/late afternoon and then head up to the picturesque HMAS Sydney memorial lookout for sunset drinks and nibbles.

Activity: Scenic Flight

Meals: B, L, D

Accommodation: IBIS Geraldton OR Hospitality Inn, Geraldton (or similar)

Day 4 KALBARRI NATIONAL PARK, MURCHISON RIVER GORGE

We start the day with a 1hr 45min drive to Kalbarri. We'll have a wonderful day today exploring some of the ancient gorges of the Murchison River. We'll visit Natures Window and walk the 9 km Loop Trail, which takes us from the top of the gorge wall, down into the beautiful gorge itself to walk beside the river. If the weather's nice, you might enjoy a refreshing swim in the cool water at lunch time.

In the afternoon, we'll have an easy exploration of the Z Bend Gorge where we will take a short stroll and soak up the tranquil atmosphere.

Activity: 9km walk

Meals: B, L, D

Accommodation: Kalbarri Edge Resort, Kalbarri (or similar)

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Day 5

KALBARRI NATIONAL PARK

The views along the Kalbarri coast are nothing short of spectacular - with pink and red layers of sandstone cliffs contrasted against the turquoise Indian Ocean. We'll walk the length of the Bigurda Trail in the morning. This trail stretches for 8 km along the top of the sea cliffs from Eagle Gorge to the Natural Bridge.

In the afternoon we'll explore the coastal areas closer to town, including a 3 km loop walk around Mushroom Rock and Rainbow Valley.

Activity: 8km walk

Meals: B, L, D

Accommodation: Kalbarri Edge Resort, Kalbarri (or similar)

Day 6

DRIVE TO DENHAM, HAMELIN POOL STROMATOLITES, SHELL BEACH AND EAGLE BLUFF.

After all of the activity of the past few days, it is time to get some kilometres under our belt. We have about 375km to cover today. It's a long drive to Denham, but we will be able to break up the drive with quite a few spectacular stops. Just outside of Kalbarri we will enjoy the grand views at Hawks Head and Ross Graham Lookout. After a long driving stretch we can stretch our legs admiring the famous 3.5 Billion-year-old stromatolites in Hamelin Pool. That's billion with a "B"! Then it's onwards to Shell Beach for a little wander around this amazing beach, you might even choose to dip your feet into the water. From Shell Beach we make our way to Eagle Bluff before arriving at Denham to check in at our new home for the next 2 nights.

Activity: Travel Day

Meals: B, L, D

Accommodation: Heritage Resort Shark Bay, Denham (or similar)

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Day 7

STEEP POINT & DIRK HARTOG ISLAND MARINE SAFARI

Today's adventure is truly unique. We will enjoy a full day marine Safari exploring Steep Point (the most westerly point of Australia), the magnificent Zuytdorp Cliffs and the historic Dirk Hartog Island. Snorkel in pristine World Heritage listed waters. See dolphins, dugongs, sharks, rays, turtles and whales (Jul-Oct). All the snorkelling equipment will be provided, all you need to bring is a towel, swimmers, sun protection and your sense of adventure.

Activity: Boat trip, snorkelling and short walk on Dirk Hartog Island

Meals: B, L, D

Accommodation: Heritage Resort Shark Bay, Denham (or similar)

Day 8

DOLPHINS OF MONKEY MIA. END OF TOUR IN DENHAM.

This morning we have a 10am date with the dolphins at Monkey Mia! One of Western Australia's much loved experiences, see the resident bottlenose up close and personal.

The tour ends just after lunch, with wet feet and a drop off in Denham. There are airport transfers from Denham. We recommend booking a flight after 1:30pm back to Perth (cost of flight not included in tour price ~\$150-\$300 or more during peak season). For those returning to the East Coast, there should be plenty of time to make an evening flight.

OPTIONAL Return to Perth: Anyone booked on the optional return road-transfer to Perth will leave Denham just after lunch and drive to Geraldton for the night. The next day after breakfast (included with accommodation) we drive straight to Perth where you will be dropped off at the same pickup locations from Day 1. Meals for the return to Perth are not included in the cost.

Activity: Dolphin Tour

Meals: B, L

Accommodation: IBIS Geraldton OR Hospitality Inn, Geraldton (only for guests who have booked the optional return to Perth)

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Departure Dates

22 Aug 2023	-	29 Aug 2023
01 Sep 2023	-	08 Sep 2023
11 Sep 2023	-	18 Sep 2023

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Pricing

2023

\$4,199 Per Person

\$350 Deposit

Optional Extras

\$810 Single Supplement

Inclusions

- Transport is by a comfortable air-conditioned mini bus
- Professional guiding and support each day by 2 guides
- Emergency support: guides carry satellite phones and a full first aid kit
- All national park entrance fees
- 7 nights comfortable accommodation
- 7 healthy breakfasts - cereal, fruit, yogurt and toast
- 8 morning teas - carried by your guide
- 8 lunches
- Pre-dinner nibbles each night
- 7 delicious 2-course dinners
- Tours at Hi Valley Farm, Dirk Hartog and Monkey Mia
- Air charter and tour of the Abrolhos island
- Snorkelling equipment

Exclusions

- Return journey to Perth from Denham

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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:

- 85 days or more, you will be refunded all monies paid, less a \$50 administration fee.
- 42 to 84 days prior to departure, you will lose your deposit
- 28 to 41 days: 25% of full tour cost
- 14 to 27 days: 50% of full tour cost
- less than 14 days: 100% of full tour cost, no refund

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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