

Karijini and Ningaloo Reef



Welcome to your next adventure.
Here are a few details to help you get prepared...

Arrival Flight Details

You will need to fly into Paraburdoo and out of Exmouth (Learmonth airport) at the end of the tour.

Flight Perth to Paraburdoo - Arrival flight Based on current Qantas flights we ask that you book onto the below flights. This enables our tour to start on time.

Monday - Friday QF1620 Departs Perth at 1:30pm, Arrives Paraburdoo at 3:15pm

Saturday QF1842 Departs Perth at 07:30am, Arrives Paraburdoo at 09:20am

Sunday QF1624 Departs Perth at 3:50pm, Arrives Paraburdoo at 5:35pm

Flight Exmouth (Learmonth airport) to Perth - Departure flight

Our tour team will do a airport drop off based around the first flight departure of the day. At the same time they will also do a drop off into the township of Exmouth for those who decide to catch an afternoon flight. You will be able to catch a shuttle from Exmouth to the airport later in the day to make your flight.

Pre/Post Trip Accommodation Recommendations

Paraburdoo is a mining town with no accommodation. On the first day of your Karijini Tour, we recommend flying in that day.

After the tour, if you can, spending a few extra days in Exmouth certainly comes recommended.

Camping

This is a camping tour with lots of comfort. (As we like to say it's a camping tour for non campers!) Each person will have the use of their own semi permanent tent and a comfy camping bed. Even if you are travelling with a friend or a significant other you will have access to your own tent or you are more than welcome to share. You will need to bring a pillow and sleeping bag or you can hire a sleeping bag from us for \$35 (to cover dry cleaning at the end of the tour).

There are flushing toilets and showers in all the camp grounds. When we are out and about during the day there are long drop toilets available. There is also ample opportunity for swimming on most days. On some departures (due to flight availability) guests will stay a night in a motel in Tom Price or Exmouth. All departure dates will still go to all the same gorges and sights.

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Do you need to hire a sleeping bag? Make sure you let us know so we can have one ready for you.

Luggage

Due to health and safety requirements, please limit your luggage to one small-medium sized, soft sided bag per person - it has to be loaded and unloaded many times. 12 kg should be sufficient. If you're travelling as a couple, please pack two smaller bags rather than one large one. Sleeping bag, pillow, day pack and walking poles can be additional to your main luggage bag.

Washing Facilities

There are washing machines at Cheela Plains Station Stay and Yardie Homestead Campground. At the beginning of the tour when we stay at the Eco Retreat Caravan Park in Karijini National Park, there is water available for bucket washing of clothes if needed.

Phone Coverage and Charging

At Karijini Eco Resort there is only an Optus phone tower, so the reception is quite good for anyone with Optus. All other networks coverage is patchy however in some of the higher spots like Mount Bruce you may get a text away! In Tom Price and Exmouth you should be able to get reception from most service providers, however Telstra is the most reliable.

We have the ability to charge cameras/phones/ipads/kindles in the vehicle. However, we can only charge two or three at a time. Bring your own USB charging cables.

Climate

Days are usually dry in the mid to late 20's. However, some evenings can be very chilly, particularly in June in Karijini National Park, with overnight temperatures sometimes dipping to below 10 deg. It can rain at any time, so please be prepared.

Food

You will be surprised at just how good the food is! Breakfast comprises of cereal, fruit and toast. Lunch is cold meats and salad with sandwiches, rolls or wraps. Dinner is a 2 course meal. Morning tea is supplied and fresh fruit is always available.

If you have any special dietary requirements please let us know when you book, we are happy to adapt our tasty, nutritious meals to suit a variety of dietary needs.

We are not able to have campfires in Karijini; food is cooked on gas stoves. All eating utensils are provided.

Drinks

Drinking water is always available. Guests may bring a small quantity of alcohol. If possible please purchase beer and wine in either cask or cans as opposed to glass. There will be an opportunity to purchase alcohol in Tom Price on Day 5 and then again on Day 6 on your way through Exmouth. There is limited capacity for cooling drinks. When you are at Karijini National Park Eco Retreat there is a bar with drinks available to purchase.

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Transport

Transport is by an air-conditioned tour coach. Our vehicles are comfortable and regularly serviced to ensure safety and reliability. Seats are not pre allocated, so to ensure all participants get to enjoy seats close to the front and window seats we encourage guests to change where they sit each day. In the case of a breakdown or other unforeseen circumstances affecting the vehicle or guide, the operator reserves the right to substitute vehicles and guides other than those specified, to ensure the operation of a tour.

Medical Restrictions

As we operate in remote areas, guests will need to bring all of their own personal medications on tour. Whilst our guides are qualified in remote area or wilderness first aid and carry satellite phones, we do not carry epi-pens, Ventolin or other emergency medications. If a person requires urgent medical attention whilst on tour, it may take several hours or more for emergency services to attend the scene and take you to a medical facility.

Under certain circumstances your tour consultant may request a medical certificate of fitness before you are cleared to participate on the tour.

If pre-existing medical issues that will affect your ability to complete the tour or have an impact on other guests experiences, are not disclosed prior to the departure, we reserve the right to remove you from the tour.

We do not have electricity at most of our campsites. If you require a CPAP machine, you can bring a battery operated machine. Please bring spare batteries and position your tent towards the edge of the group. Please let your guides know so that they can help you with tent site selection at each camp.

Dietary Requirements

From vegetarians to pescatarians to meat loving carnivores with an aversion to cucumbers we cater for all dietary requirements and will make sure you are well fed and looked after on tour. Please let us know if you have any dietary requirements.

Access to Shops

We recommend bringing any essentials with you on the flight up to Paraburdoo. If you have forgotten anything there will be an opportunity to purchase items in Tom Price on Day 5 and then again on Day 6 on your way through Exmouth.

Other Optional Activities

The only optional activity you need to consider is the Whale Shark tour on the Ningaloo Reef. It's a full day on the water, with lunch included. It comes highly recommended. Please let us know if you would like to book on:

- Adult - \$425
- Concession - \$370
- Observer - \$250

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What to Pack

- Pillow, sleeping bag and sleeping sheet (in a sturdy plastic bag if they don't fit in your luggage).
- Day-pack - with a thick waist strap to help take some weight off your shoulders.
- Shorts/long pants and shirts for walking - lightweight and quick-dry material are best.
- Socks - whichever thickness you're comfortable walking in.
- Warm clothing in case of cold evenings and mornings - jumper, tracksuit pants, beanie.
- Comfortable, sturdy walking shoes or boots (ankle support is recommended as many surfaces are rocky and uneven).
- Reef sandals/shoes for walking in water. Make sure they have good grip even when they're wet.
- Ankle gaiters/sock protectors suitable for hot weather (not plastic).
- Waterproof jacket*.
- Sun protection - hat, sunglasses, sunscreen (and consider your clothing)
- Casual clothes for evenings and rest days.
- Bathers, rash vest and small swimming towel (lightweight so you can easily carry them).
- Small bath towel.
- Toiletries, hand sanitiser and personal medication.
- Reliable headlamp with spare batteries (much better than a torch because you can use both hands when wearing a headlamp). Waterproof pants. Some people love them and some hate them - personally, we don't wear them but there have been times when we have wished for a pair!
- Any preferred first aid supplies - such as your favourite blister treatment! (Your guide will carry a full first-aid kit).
- Water bottle/s or camelback - 2 to 3 litre capacity.
- A lunch container so your
- Fly net (especially for walks in warmer weather)
- Camera and charger/batteries
- Gaiters for snake bite protection are recommended unless you are wearing long pants and long socks. They're also good for keeping sand out of your shoes.
- Sock protectors (to keep sand out of your boots)
- Robust sandals for wading/beach sections
- Bathers and towel
- Small towel to carry during the day
- Snacks and alcohol - there will be time to purchase more during the week if you need to. Some people like to have some muesli bars, nuts, lollies etc
- Walking poles

Emergency Contact on Tour

In the case of an emergency and family and friends are trying to get in contact with you and unable to reach you on your personal phone, please ask them to call the office on 1300 544 882. After hours or on the weekend there is an option on the voicemail which will direct them through to the duty managers personal mobile.

On tour in an emergency situation our guides will be carrying satellite phones.

Final Payment Due Date

Final payment is required six weeks prior to departure or at time of booking if booking within six weeks. We will send out a reminder email.

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:

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- 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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