

## Margaret River and Rottnest Island

8 Days

**MARATAH**ADVENTURE TOURS

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At the western end of this country where the desert meets the sea, sits some of Australia's most precious jewels. On the banks of the sparkling Swan River, Perth city has all of the attractions of a major modern city in much more manageable and relaxed size. With Rottnest Island and it's quokkas just off the coast, and the bohemian Fremantle just down the river, Perth and it's surrounds offer travellers a tantalising getaway.

Combined with the wineries, waves and wilderness of Margaret River, this 8 day tour has an incredible array of treasures. Join Waratah Adventure tours on this small group tour, with excellent accommodation, a professional tour guide and perfectly balanced itinerary.

#### Details

Arrive:

Perth

Depart:

Fremantle

Duration:

8 Days

**Group Size:** 

12 guests maximum

Average Age:

50

Activity Level: Easy

#### **Testimonials**

We were guided, nourished, rested, entertained and embraced by this fabulous team. Thanks for providing us with such an amazing adventure in our beautiful south west.

Felicity - Trip Advisor 2020





## Highlights



Tour WA's famous wine region and indulge in some gourmet delights!



Take a selfie with the always smiling Quokka at 'Rotto'.



Visit the spectacular natural sights of the western coastline.

## What to expect



Comfortable Hotel accomodation



Comfortable airconditioned touring bus



Time to explore the cities of Perth and Fremantle





## **Itinerary**

8 day 7 night package including 2 nights in Perth, 3 nights in Margaret River, 2 nights in Fremantle, Rottnest Island day trip, Margaret River wineries, and visiting the beautiful natural scenery of the western coastline.

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#### Day 1 PERTH, WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Arrive in Perth to your CBD hotel, within walking distance of many great restaurants and bars. Explore Western Australia's beautiful capital city on the banks of the Swan River.

Meals: None

Activity: Arrival day, check in to your CBD hotel

Accommodation: Rendezvous Hotel Perth Central (or similar)

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#### Day 2 EXPLORE PERTH AT YOUR OWN PACE

Explore the city at your own pace today. King's Park and Botanic Gardens is an absolute must, with one of Australia's most iconic city views. Check out the Bell Tower and Elizabeth Quay or simply stroll along the Esplanade watching the activity of the Swan River. You can ride four free buses around the centre of town - the buses are colour coded and route maps are available at the Tourist Information Centres and hotels. Another fantastic alternative is a visit to the wineries and gourmet food producers of the Swan Valley. You can jump on a Swan River scenic cruise (recommended operator: Captain Cook Cruises).

Meals: Breakfast

Activity: Exploring the city and King's Park

Meals:

Accommodation: Rendezvous Hotel Perth Central (or similar)

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#### Day 3 PERTH TO MARGARET RIVER

After breakfast we will pick you up in a small bus (8am in the hotel lobby), to begin a 4-day touring adventure of Margaret River and the south-west corner of WA. Our first stop is Busselton Jetty which is about 2.5hrs south of Perth. Busselton is a chilled holiday town with pristine Indian Ocean beaches and a 19th-century wooden Jetty which extends nearly 2km out to the ocean. It is the southern hemisphere's longest wooden jetty, and an impressive sight.

From Busselton we will follow the coast round to Cape Naturaliste and visit some of it's beautiful beaches with Meelup Beach being a highlight. We will also check out the lighthouse precinct and Sugarloaf Rock Lookout to see this massive granite island. We will fill the afternoon picking out spots on the coast before heading to the town of Margaret River to check into our motel. Enjoy dinner in the evening with our new friends at our accommodation.

Activity: Guided tour to Margaret River

Meals: B, L, D

Accommodation: Margarets Forest Holiday Apartments (or similar)

#### Day 4 MARGARET RIVER REGION HIGHLIGHTS

Today we will spend the day exploring the natural side of the Margaret River region. Known mainly for it's wineries and delicious gourmet produce, Margaret River also boasts a spectacular coastline. Perfect white sand beaches, limestone cliffs and deep red granite boulders that beg to be explored.

We will allow time to drop into the famous Cape to Cape walk trail to access some of the more spectacular sites along the coast. While the walking is not hugely demanding, there will be some walking on uneven surfaces for up to an hour or so at a time. A highlight is standing on top of the Wilyabrup sea cliffs, and walking through the tranquil Boranup Karri Forest. For tours in summer we can take a swim at Hamelin Bay. We will pack everything we can into this memorable day out in nature before heading back to our motel, where you can walk into town for an evening meal from one of the many restaurants.

Activity: See the highlights of this famous trails

Meals: B, L

Accommodation: Margarets Forest Holiday Apartments (or similar)





#### Day 5 MARGARET RIVER WINE TOUR

Wine and indulgence are the order of the day! We start a bit later today, with the opportunity to stroll into town for a coffee and a look around and grab some breakfast (not included).

With over 100 wineries in Margaret River we will pick out the best, quaintest and quirkiest. There are some famous names that we cannot miss such as Leeuwin Estate, and Voyager Estate but there are also many smaller boutique producers with fantastic wines and beautiful grounds. The beer lovers will not be forgotten as we will stop at the Cheeky Monkey Brewery for lunch (not included), and we won't forget about the chocolate fans either.

Meals: None

Activity: Wine and gourmet tour

Accommodation: Margarets Forest Holiday Apartments (or similar)

#### Day 6 MARGARET RIVER TO FREMANTLE

After breakfast (not incuded), we will leave Margaret River and head to one of the local limestone Caves. This stunningly decorated cave was Western Australia's very first tourist attraction. By mid afternoon, we will arrive in Fremantle and check you into the centrally located and well presented Esplanade Hotel, for 2 nights.

With 'Freo' at your doorstep, there is no end to the nightlife options available. The original Little Creatures Brewery is in view of the hotel, as is the fishing boat harbour which must be the epicentre of Australia's "Fish and Chip industry". There are many small bars, quirky restaurants and cafes within walking distance of your hotel. Enjoy a night on the town and soak up the bohemian vibes.

Meals: None

Activity: Cave exploring and return to Fremantle

Accommodation: Esplanade Hotel, Fremantle (or similar)

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#### Day 7 FULL DAY ROTTNEST ISLAND

It is about a 10 minute walk from your hotel to B Shed ferry terminal, where you can jump on the 30 minute boat ride over to the perfect island paradise, that is Rottnest Island. On Rottnest, it is customary to try to grab a Quokka selfie. These little marsupials have the title of "World's Happiest Animals" and are an absolute delight for young and old.

If you are feeling energetic, bicycles are a great way to explore the island. You can whip around the island in a couple of hours or take the whole day to explore the many swimming bays and snorkelling spots. If you are feeling like less physical exertion, there is a hop on hop off bus, which constantly rotates around the island and is another way to explore until your heart is content. Take the afternoon ferry back to Fremantle and enjoy one final night in Western Australia's cultural capital.

Activity: Self guided exploration of Rottnest

Meals: B

Accommodation: Esplanade Hotel, Fremantle (or similar)

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#### Day 8 DEPART FREMANTLE

Today check out from the hotel and make your own onwards travel plans.

Activity: Final day

Meals: B



## **Departure Dates**

26 Aug 2023 02 Sep 2023

07 Oct 2023 - 14 Oct 2023

02 Dec 2023 - 09 Dec 2023





## **Pricing**

2023

\$2,099 Per Person

\$350 Deposit

**Optional Extras** 

\$580

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#### **Inclusions**

- Friendly and professional tour leader
- Hotel pick up and drop off
- Comfortable touring bus
- Small group with a maxium of 12 guests
- 2 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches, 1 Dinner
- Wine Tastings in the beautiful Margaret River wine region
- Ngilgi Cave Tour
- Day trip to Rottnest Island via ferry from Fremantle

#### **Exclusions**

Meals and beverages not already stated in the itinerary





## Ready to book?

Your next adventure is two steps away...

Jump onto our website www.waratahadventures.com.au, find your tour in the menu and click on the 'Make a booking' button on the right hand side. Alternatively you can call us on 1300 544 882 or email us at reservations@waratahadventures.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 require a minimum of 2 people and have a maximum of 12 people

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 stress free booking terms on the following link <a href="https://www.waratahadventures.com.au/covid-19/">https://www.waratahadventures.com.au/covid-19/</a>





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Our mission is to make adventure comfortable. We know every corner of Australia, and we go to great lengths to design our itineraries to give you the very best experience.

We are not afraid to get off the beaten track and get dirty, but that doesn't mean you have to. Our tour guides are trained in remote area management and are professionals within the industry... they also know how to have fun!

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