

Perth to Exmouth & Ningaloo Reef - 8 Day Boutique Tour

An eight-day adventure like no other. What other trip offers the chance to visit the towering natural limestone Pinnacles, snorkel the waters of Ningaloo Reef – and meet a whale shark (they're harmless, don't worry!) – enjoy bushtucker with the Nhanda and Malgana people, catch rock lobsters, go dolphin spotting, and more? None. Book now and experience it for yourself.

Included

- Visit to the largest sand dunes in WA
- Walk through the mysterious alien-like limestone towers of the Pinnacles at Nambung National Park
- Monkey Mia Conservation Park Dolphin Spotting with Local Ranger
- Ningaloo Reef Glass Bottom Boat Cruise & Snorkelling Experience
- Kalbarri Rock Lobster Pot Pull Boat Trip
- Monkey Mia Didgeridoo Dreaming Night Tour with Bush Tucker
- Northampton First nations community art gallery visit
- Hutt Lagoon (Pink Lake)
- Kalbarri National Park Z Bend, Natures Window & Kalbarri Skywalk
- Shark Bay Eagle Bluff Lookout & Shell Beach
- Shark Bay Hamelin Pool Stromatolites
- Geraldton Orientation tour
- Carnarvon Gwoonwardu Mia (Gascoyne Aboriginal Heritage and Cultural Centre)
- Vlamingh Head Lighthouse Visit Exmouth
- Small Group Tour (Max 16 Guests)
- All Transport (Private vehicles, boat trips)
- All Accommodation comfortable locally owned hotels
- Friendly & experienced local guide
- 7 Breakfasts

Full itinerary

Day 1: Pinnacles National Park & Geraldton

Your adventure starts with a welcome meeting in Perth at 8.30am, before we set out for the trendy seaside resort of Geraldton. But this isn't just any journey. We'll stop off along the way to take in the largest dunes in WA and the mysterious alien-like limestone towers of the Pinnacles at Nambung National Park, as well as checking out the Leaning Trees of Greenough and the lovely Jurien Bay, where you might spot a sea lion or two. In Geraldton, have an orientation drive around town before dinner, drinks, and a chance to get to know everyone.

Included Activities

- Visit to the largest dunes in WA
- Walk through the mysterious alien-like limestone towers of the Pinnacles at Nambung National Park
- Geraldton orientation tour & the stunning HMAS memorial lookout

Included Meals

• None

Accommodation – <u>Hospitality Inn Geraldton</u>

Day 2: Northampton & Kalbarri National Park

After a leisurely breakfast, we head to historical Northampton, one of the oldest towns in Western Australia. We'll catch some heritage buildings dating back to the 1800s, and meet the artists at a First Nations gallery. Next up: the Pink Lake at Hutt Lagoon, which truly lives up to its name, before gazing in awe at the wind-eroded sandstone of Nature's Window, the spectacular Z-Bend Gorge, and the Kalbarri Skywalk at Kalbarri National Park.

Included Activities

- Northampton First nations community art gallery visit
- Pink Lake at Hutt Lagoon
- Kalbarri National Park Z Bend, Natures Window & Kalbarri Skywalk

Included Meals

• Breakfast

Accommodation – Kalbarri Edge Resort

Day 3: Shark Bay & Monkey Mia

It's a bit of an ocean-themed day today. Jump on a boat at the Kalbarri Marina to learn about the local rock lobster industry – and even pull up some lobster pots yourself, and keep your catch to enjoy later that evening! Then it's one sealife legend to another, as we head off to scenic Monkey Mia, where the local Dolphin population thrives. Stop via the Hamelin Pool Marine Nature Reserve for some 'living fossils', and one of Shark Bay's picturesque lookouts. Put your feet up at Monkey Mia, or hit the water, before an evening First Nations experience courtesy of the Nhanda and Malgana people. This is your chance to try the didgeridoo or traditional conch shell, and taste some bush tucker.

Included Activities

- Kalbarri Rock Lobster Pot Pull Boat Trip keep your catch to enjoy later
- Hamelin Pool Marine Nature Reserve for some 'living fossils'
- Visit the beautiful Shell Beach which is formed from billions of tiny cockle shells
- First Nations experience courtesy of the Nhanda and Malgana people try the didgeridoo or traditional conch shell, and taste some bush tucker.

Included Meals

• Breakfast

Accommodation – Monkey Mia Dolphin Resort

Day 4: Shark Bay & Monkey Mia

Here's a post-breakfast activity you don't get every day: Bottlenose dolphin-spotting with WA Parks & Wildlife experts. Learn a bit about these magnificent animals, and then take some well-earned time off to relax on the beach, snap photos to make the folks back home jealous, or sit at the bar and watch the wildlife go by. If you fancy it, there's a sunset cruise, and you're invited, feel free to bring a sundowner with you. If you're lucky you might spot the elusive sea cows, or 'Dugongs'.

Included Activities

- Bottlenose dolphin-spotting with the Parks & Wildlife experts
- Free afternoon to walk the beaches, hire kayaks or relax by the pool in paradise
- Optional Activity Sunset cruise and the chance to spot the elusive sea cows, or 'Dugongs'.

Included Meals

• Breakfast

Accommodation – <u>Monkey Mia Dolphin Resort</u>

Day 5: Carnarvon

It's definitely a more spaced out day as we head to Carnarvon Space and Technology Centre for a quick photo stop. It was created to support NASA's Gemini, Apollo and Skylab programs. Next up, we visit the Gascoyne Aboriginal Heritage and Cultural Centre to learn about the region's unique culture and country from its First Nations custodians. Snap some pics of the Carnarvon Cactus Farm, one of the town's quirkiest sights, before heading to – Travel along the Gascoyne Food Trail. The trail features everything from bananas and avocados, to beans, beef, ice cream, and mangoes. Relax tonight – maybe take the chance for a stroll along the beautiful foreshore to a local restaurant?

Included Activities

- Quick photo stop overlooking the Carnarvon Space and Technology Centre created to support NASA's Gemini, Apollo and Skylab
- Visit the Gascoyne Aboriginal Heritage and Cultural Centre
- Gascoyne Food Trail drive. The trail features everything from bananas and avocados, to beans, beef, ice cream, and mangoes

Included Meals

Breakfast

Accommodation – <u>Hospitality Inns Carnarvon</u>

Day 6: Coral Bay, Ningaloo Reef & Exmouth

Today we are off Coral Bay, home to the World Heritage-listed Ningaloo Reef, the world's largest fringing reef, we'll embark on a glass-bottom boat tour and snorkel experience, to see up to 250 species of coral and 500 species of fish. Further along the coast we visit Vlamingh Head Lighthouse, with stunning views, then rest up in Exmouth town.

Included Activities

- Visit Ningaloo reef on a glass-bottom boat tour and snorkel experience
- Visit Vlamingh Head Lighthouse with breathtaking views

Included Meals

• Breakfast

Accommodation – <u>Ningaloo Lodge Exmouth</u>

Day 7: Exmouth

It's your day. Experience a swim with the world famous whale sharks, go whale-spotting, swim with manta rays, or get your hiking boots on – the choice is yours. You can select your optional adventure when you book your tour, or your guide can help you get set up. Please note: Public transport is non-existent in Exmouth, so pre planning your activities is a must!

Optional Activities

• Choose from many local activities on land or out on Ningaloo Reef - Swim with whale sharks, manta rays, or join a day tour to Cape Range National Park

Included Meals

• Breakfast

Accommodation – <u>Ningaloo Lodge Exmouth</u>

Day 8: Exmouth

All good things must come to an end, sadly. It's time to say goodbye to your fellow travellers after breakfast (Or, if you booked additional accommodation, enjoy an extended stay and the chance to do more activities). Thanks for the memories!

Included Meals

• Breakfast

Important Information

Numbers

Min 4 pax Max 16 pax

Meeting point

Quality Hotel Ambassador Hotel 196 Adelaide Terrace, Perth Western Australia

Your **welcome meeting** will take place at **8:30 am** on Day 1 at the starting point hotel. It's very important that you're on time, so we can set off on our adventures straight after the meeting. It's highly recommended that you spend a night in Perth before your trip starts.

Finishing Point

Ningaloo Lodge Exmouth 1/3 Lefroy St, Exmouth Western Australia

For post tour activities and onward travel beyond Exmouth (including the airport) please chat with your Tour Leader on Day 1.

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