

PILBARA & WEST COAST EXPEDITION

BROOME - PERTH

SAMPLE ITINERARY

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DAY 1 – BROOME

Enjoy a brief town tour before a spectacular welcome dinner with views of the Indian Ocean. (D)

DAY 2 – BROOME - PORT HEDLAND

This morning, we depart Broome and head south along the Great Northern Highway. Pass between the Great Sandy Desert and Eighty Mile Beach, arriving in Port Hedland later this afternoon. (B,L,D)

DAY 3 – PORT HEDLAND – KARIJINI NATIONAL PARK

Go behind the scenes at the Port Hedland Seafarers Centre for an exclusive look at the workings of the Port Hedland iron ore port. After a brief presentation, we board one of the Seafarers launch service boats and circumnavigate the entire port, with insightful commentary from our local skipper. Following the tour, we depart Port Hedland and journey towards the breathtaking Karijini National Park. (B,L,D)

DAY 4 – KARIJINI EXPLORING

Centred on the Hamersley Range, Karijini National Park is renowned for its dramatic red gorges, cascading waterfalls, and cool swimming holes. We start our day exploring the park, including Weano Gorge and Oxer Lookout. After a picnic lunch, we continue to Dales Gorge and Fern Pool, immersing ourselves in the park's rugged beauty. A network of walking trails leads us to some of the most picturesque spots, where you can take a refreshing dip in natural rock pools. By mid-afternoon, we return to the retreat to unwind before dinner. (B,L,D)

Note: Please bring warm clothes for Karijini as the evening temperatures can drop significantly.

DAY 5 – KARIJINI - MILLSTREAM - CHICHESTER NATIONAL PARK - KARRATHA

The day begins with a visit to Tom Price for a guided mine tour, gaining insight into the region's rich mining history. Continuing our journey, we travel to Karratha, a town established in 1968 to support the iron ore industry in the Hamersley Ranges. Along the way, we stop at the magnificent Millstream-Chichester National Park, known for its rugged escarpments, tree-lined rivers, and pristine water pools. In the afternoon, we explore the historic Millstream Homestead, a former pastoral station that now serves as a visitor centre. Later, we arrive in Karratha in the late afternoon. (B,L,D)

DAY 6 – KARRATHA - DAMPIER - EXMOUTH

We head out to the Burrup Peninsula to view ancient petroglyph engravings that date back between 30,000 and 45,000 years. We'll also visit the North West Shelf Visitors Centre in Dampier to learn about one of Australia's largest resource projects. This afternoon, we head south towards to one of the most pristine natural wonders in Australia: Ningaloo Reef. We arrive in Exmouth late afternoon. (B,L,D)

DAY 7 – NINGALOO REEF DISCOVERY

Cruise Ningaloo is an untouched, 300km-long fringing barrier reef that protects a shallow, brilliant white-sand-fringed lagoon. It is one of only a few places on Earth where you are able to access the coral reef from the beach.

This morning, we enjoy a half-day discovery cruise on Ningaloo Reef. Learn about the reef's vibrant marine ecosystem, and if you choose, take the opportunity to snorkel in the crystal clear waters and encounter marine life up close.

This afternoon, enjoy some free time or take a stroll along the beach before meeting in the award-winning Mantarays Restaurant for dinner. (B,L,D)

Please note: For those that have pre-booked a full day whale shark tour, please meet in the hotel foyer by the required time and you will be collected for your days activities. You will return to the hotel late afternoon to meet your group for dinner.



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DAY 8 – CAPE RANGE NATIONAL PARK - YARDIE CREEK GORGE

Cape Range National Park is a breathtaking expanse of rugged limestone ranges, deep canyons, and 50 kilometres of pristine coastline.

This morning, we travel to Yardie Creek, nestled within the national park, and embark on the Yardie Creek Gorge Cruise. Admire the striking contrast between the turquoise waters and red ochre landscapes as the sun rises over the gorge. Keep an eye out for an array of birdlife and the rare black-footed rock wallabies hopping along the cliff edge.

After the cruise, enjoy a scenic walk to the top of the gorge, where you'll be rewarded with panoramic views down the creek and out to Ningaloo Reef.

Here, we'll enjoy a picnic lunch before visiting Milyering, the Cape Range National Park Discovery Centre. Later, we return to Exmouth for some leisure time before dinner. (B,L,D)

DAY 9 – EXMOUTH – CARNARVON

Enjoy a relaxing morning as we depart Exmouth and journey along the North West Coastal Highway. We call into Coral Bay before heading further south to Carnarvon for our overnight stay. (B,L,D)

DAY 10 – CARNARVON – SHARK BAY – MONKEY MIA

This morning, we depart Carnarvon and journey south onto Monkey Mia on Shark Bay, where we spend the next 2 nights. (B,L,D)

DAY 11 – EXPLORING SHARK BAY

The Shark Bay World Heritage Area was inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage List in December 1991. It is one of only a handful of places on the list that satisfied all four natural criteria concerning natural beauty, biological diversity, ecological processes and Earth's history. Its seagrass meadows are the largest in the world and support a significant population of dugong, along with a variety of other marine life.

This morning, we head to the beach to meet the famous locals – a pod of wild dolphins that come into the shallows and interact with people. (As the dolphins are wild, their appearance cannot be guaranteed). We then enjoy a

catamaran sailing adventure in Shark Bay Marine Park, keeping an eye out for marine life, including dugongs, dolphins, sharks, huge sea turtles and more.

This afternoon can be spent at your leisure at the resort. This afternoon can be spent at your leisure at the Resort. (B,L,D)

DAY 12 – MONKEY MIA - DENHAM - GERALDTON

We start with a visit to Hamelin Pool Marine Nature Reserve, one of the few places in the world where marine stromatolites, often referred to as living fossils, can be found.

Nearby, we explore the Old Hamelin Pool Telegraph Station, built in 1884 as part of the vital communication line between Perth and Roebourne. The original building now serves as a museum, showcasing fascinating historical artifacts. After our visit, we continue south, arriving in Geraldton late in the afternoon.

Please note: The visit to the Shark Bay World Heritage Discovery Centre is dependent on opening hours and time constraints.

DAY 13 – THE PINNACLES – PERTH

Our final full day takes us to one of Australia's most otherworldly landscapes, the Pinnacles. These striking limestone formations rise eerily from the desert sands, creating a truly unique scene. We take time to wander through the area before making our way back to Perth. In the evening, we come together for a special farewell dinner to celebrate the conclusion of our journey. (B,L,D)

DAY 14 – PERTH

The morning is at your leisure before you're transferred to the airport or your hotel. (B)

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