



EXPLORE EXMOUTH

AND REAWAKEN YOUR
SENSE OF WONDER



EXMOUTH.

NINGALOO.
NYINGGULU.

Exmouth is where boredom is banished, and core memories are made. While our grown-up travellers often encounter a sense of wonder in our stunning adventurer's playground, there's nothing like experiencing Exmouth through the eyes of a child.

The question isn't if you should visit Exmouth— it's when. Each season boasts its own kind of magic in Western Australia's eco-tourism capital, with animal encounters year-round, spectacular gorges and canyons to explore in the Cape Range National Park, Dreamtime stories to internalise, and award-winning beaches that lead to Australia's largest fringing reef system.

If you want to swim with whale sharks, plan your visit from Mid-March through the end of July, although we sometimes see them hanging around as late as October. From August to October, experience the wonder of swimming alongside humpbacks. And have a turtle-y awesome time from November through April during loggerhead, hawksbill, and green turtle nesting season.

The Ningaloo Coast inspires travellers to have a sense of freedom and spontaneity, but we recommend prior bookings when planning a trip to Exmouth. Book one to two months before your holiday to avoid disappointment for yourself and the little ones and get the first choice of tour dates.

Pack your bathers, sun protection, and a camera because, on your family holiday to Exmouth, you'll make memories you won't ever want to forget!

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IT IS YOURS TO EXPLORE

YOUR
3 DAY | 2 NIGHTS GETAWAY



320 DAYS OF SUNSHINE



1,270KM FROM PERTH
DIRECT FLIGHTS DAILY



AN ABUNDANCE OF
WILDLIFE FOR YOU TO
DISCOVER

Emus, echidnas, lizards, wallabies, kangaroos and dingoes call the Cape Range National Park home. Below the surface hosts the Ningaloo Reef 200 corals, 500 fish, and 600 different types of molluscs.





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DAY 01

EXMOUTH OVERVIEW, DREAMTIME IN THE RANGES, AND AN OVERNIGHT OUTBACK ADVENTURE

7.10 AM WELCOME TO PARADISE

Whether you're driving up from Coral Bay, down from travels in the Northern Territory, or flying in from Perth, we recommend you get an early start this morning. If you're flying in, collect your 4WD hire car and travel north along Minilya-Exmouth Road for approximately 35km into Exmouth.

8.30 AM SETTLE IN AND MAKE NEW FRIENDS

Fuel up for a day of adventure at Mutt's Café, where you can enjoy a refreshing acai bowl and coffee before taking a stroll around and make your way to the Ningaloo Centre.

10.00 AM DISCOVER EXMOUTH AT THE NINGALOO CENTRE

Meet a designated staff member for a tour of the gallery & exhibition, where your entire family can explore one of Western Australia's most impressive aquariums and interactive galleries. Kids love getting an up-close view of Ningaloo's marine life in our 55,000-litre aquarium and joining the fun with a 10:30 AM animal feeding.

Afterwards, join an educational turtle tour to meet and learn about turtles (hawksbill, green sea turtle, or loggerhead) in rehabilitation at the Ningaloo Aquarium and Discovery Centre. If you're lucky, you may even have the opportunity to wave farewell as we release a turtle back into the wild.

11.30AM GET TO KNOW THE LOCALS

Once you're finished counting camouflaged terrestrial reptiles, stepping inside the cyclone room, and boarding the Big Red bus, exit the Ningaloo Aquarium and Discovery Centre.

Meet the friendly team at the Ningaloo Visitor Centre, where you can learn about local experiences and pick up your bespoke hamper filled with goodies from sustainable local businesses, such as the Ningaloo Bulk Food Shop, a local family-owned IGA, and refreshments from Whalebone Brewing Company.

12.00 PM DIVE INTO THE WORLD OF NINGALOO FROM A BIRDS PERSPECTIVE

Drive south out of Exmouth township to the Exmouth Aerodrome. Get ready to experience the Ningaloo from the air with a 30 minute scenic flight over the Cape Range and Exmouth Gulf for your first glimpse of the Ningaloo Reef.



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1.00 PM HAVE A YARN WITH THE TRADITIONAL OWNERS OF NYINGGULU

Travel further south towards Charles Knife Canyon, where you will meet Traditional Owner Hazel Walgar and learn about indigenous history and culture in the area.

Take Minilya-Exmouth Road for 22 kilometres and turn right onto Charles Knife Road. The gravel path leads you to a car park, where you will meet Hazel. Together, take the road less travelled as you enjoy the sweeping vista views of Charles Knife Canyon while listening to Dreamtime stories from a Baiyungu woman whose connection to this country spans tens of thousands of years.

3.00 PM EXPERIENCE AN AUTHENTIC OUTBACK ADVENTURE

After your yarn with Hazel, drive 75 kilometres south along Minilya-Exmouth Road to Bullara Station, where your family will have the opportunity to experience life on an outback cattle station in an authentic, environmentally sustainable, and comfortable way.

Check in at the Hale Hut, a spacious modern cabin with a private barbecue area and fire pit. Make bathtime fun with Bullara's Instagram-famous outdoor hot-water Lava Tree Showers.

5.00 PM SUNSETS AND GET TOGETHERS AT THE TABLE

Take your hamper on the sand dune trail up to Sunset Hill, where you can enjoy leisurely walks, spot vibrant birdlife and unique endemic flora and get a 360° view of the land as you watch a mesmerising sunset.

If you've planned your stay for Friday night, you're in luck! Friday Burger Night is legendary, and it almost always sells out. Bookings open the 15th day of the month before your arrival, so be sure to plan ahead to avoid disappointment. The evening includes live music, dancing, an opportunity to meet Tim & Edwina, who run the station as a sustainable eco-tourism accommodation, and— of course— a meal of incredible grass-fed Bullara beef burgers.

Alternatively, you can book in for 'The Table' dinner, where you can indulge in a thoughtfully created menu inspired by the history of the station that strives for low food miles by showcasing local produce. Bringing the flavours of the land to life.

8.00 PM STARGAZE AT THE WONDERS OF THE SKY

More than 80% of the world's population lives under a light-polluted sky, but Western Australia has one of the darkest night skies on the planet. Head back to Hale Hut, where you can stargaze from your porch before settling in for an early night's sleep.



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WONDER OF THE SKIES

- SUNSETS, STARS & A BIRD'S EYE VIEW -





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DAY 02

EXPERIENCE THE BIG THREE AND
EXPLORE AN UNFORGETTABLE
OCEANIC WONDERLAND



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6.00 AM RISE AND SHINE

Rise with the sun and grab some of Bullara's famous scones and barista-crafted coffee at the Woolshed Café before leaving for your whale shark tour in Exmouth. Be sure to wear your bathers and sunscreen, and bring a hat, sunnies, towel, and dry clothing or a jacket. Don't worry about packing any equipment— Live Ningaloo will provide the wetsuit and snorkel gear.

Drive back to Exmouth from Bullara Station Stay to Mantaray's Ningaloo Beach Resort and leave your suitcases with the welcoming reception team for your check-in after the tour.

7.45 AM GET READY TO BOARD LIVE NINGALOO

Your Whale Shark Tour starts bright and early with a pick-up from Mantaray's Ningaloo Beach Resort and a transfer out to Tantabiddi Boat Ramp. There, you will board your luxury vessel, Wave Rider, a Black Watch 40 custom-built for Australian conditions.

Live Ningaloo is Exmouth's only bespoke tour operator. It is a favourite for families because of its small group size and personalised care. Live Ningaloo invites confident swimmers as young as four to join its whale shark swim, an experience that is sure to spark joy and wonder in your little traveller.

9.00 AM EXPLORE THE NINGALOO REEF AND LISTEN TO THE SOUNDS OF NATURE

As you cruise the pristine blue waters of the Ningaloo Reef, enjoy light morning tea and beverages before getting your first glimpse of the abundant life beneath the surface and receive your captain's briefing and detailed information about the day ahead.

Working alongside the best spotter pilots in the industry, the team will soon have a whale shark or humpback in their sights, ready for you to have your first encounter! Swim alongside the array of megafauna, accompanied by an experienced marine scientist and photographer. A gourmet lunch with all the trimmings will be served back inside the reef during a lagoon cruise to find the ideal location for your afternoon snorkel. End this magical experience with champagne as you return to the Tantabiddi Boat Ramp.

After an incredible day on the water, Live Ningaloo will return you to Mantaray's Ningaloo Beach resort. But only after a stop at the Vlamingh Head Lighthouse - one of the rare places where you can view sunset and sunrise. Then, collect your bags and check in to your two-bedroom beachfront bungalow, where you can relax in your private jacuzzi or take a dip in the pool before dinner. Don't forget to take a moment and listen closely to your surroundings. Between June and November, you may hear the splashes of playful humpback calves launching themselves out of the water intertwined with the birdsong of our flying friends who call this area home.

6.30 PM ENJOY A TRUE LOCAL EXPERIENCE

Make your way to Mantaray's Restaurant, a modern brasserie-style dining experience with an emphasis on fresh local seafood and produce. Kids under 14 can choose a meal off the Junior's Menu while staying busy with a Mantaray's entertainment pack. As you enjoy your meal, the sky and sea alight with colour as the sun sets behind you.

If you prefer a more casual setting, you can head on over to Whalebone Co for a truly relaxing evening featuring live music. Enjoy locally brewed boutique beers and watch the Milky Way appear in the night sky.



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COMMUNITY

- IMMERSE YOURSELF -



WILDLIFE

- WATCH. OBSERVE. ENJOY -



UNIQUE OPPORTUNITIES

- DRAMS COME TRUE -



FRESH LOCAL PRODUCE

- SUSTAINABLE CHOICES -





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DAY 03

ANIMAL SPOTTING



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8.00 AM RELAX, INDULGE AND EXHALE

After a refreshing dip in the pool, check out of Mantaray's and store your luggage with the reception team. Make your way into town and enjoy breakfast at Exhale, where the adults can imbibe in a cocktail or coffee while the little ones enjoy a fresh juice or a passionfruit mocktail to celebrate your once-in-a-lifetime trip.

10.00 AM LOCAL KNOWLEDGE FOR YOURS TRULY

Your local guide from Ningaloo Reef to Range Tours will take you on a guided hike into the Cape Range, introducing you to Australia's unique flora and fauna. You'll spot red kangaroos, wallaroos, dingos, goannas, echidnas and more than 100 bird species of all the colours of the rainbow. You will then meet the Yardie Creek Boat Tours operator and board your vessel, Yardi, for a 1-hour cruise on Yardie Creek, where your eagle-eyed captain and guides will point out the ospreys, egrets, and rare black-footed wallabies that make their home among the rocks. Listen for the flying foxes that squeal, shriek, and cackle in a tree as you cruise below.

Alternatively, you may choose to get in one last snorkelling session in the lagoon at Turquoise Bay. Much calmer than the nearby drift snorkel, the lagoon is a perfect place for families with small children to play. Named the #1 beach in the South Pacific and #3 in the world in Trip Advisor's 2022 Travellers' Choice Awards, it's a beach you won't want to miss!

12.00 PM ONE LAST LOOK

Drive back to Exmouth, enjoying the sight of the gorgeous red ranges to your right and the turquoise waters to your left.

Collect your belongings at Mantaray's and head into town for one last stroll. Visit sustainable shopping options such as the Ningaloo Bulk Food shop and locally owned galleries to buy unique gifts and souvenirs for loved ones back home.

3.30 PM TIME TO SAY GOODBYE

Head back to Minilya-Exmouth Rd for the last time this trip and drive 37 kilometres to Learmonth Airport. Return your rental car and check your bags for your flight to return home. While you wait for your flight, utilise the airport's free WiFi to upload photos and start dreaming about the family memories you'll make on your next visit to Exmouth. Your plane will board at 5.30 PM.

If you are driving back home pass the Learmonth Airport and marvel at the tremendous termite mounds left and right of the road as you are heading back home.



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