

COASTAL CHARMS AND OUTBACK ODYSSEYS, PERTH TO ESPERANCE AND KALGOORLIE



Highlights

- Swimming and snorkelling at pristine white beaches
- Hiking trails through bushland
- Tasting local wines and seafood
- Learning about the Gold Rush era
- Exploring ancient caves
- Seeing the iconic Pink Lake near Esperance

Day 1: Perth

Distance: 332 Kms Time: 4 Hours

- Morning: Collect your motorhome in Perth and stop in Bunbury for breakfast by Koombana Bay. Continue to Busselton to walk the 2km jetty, ride the train, or visit the underwater observatory.
- Afternoon: Explore Dunsborough and Yallingup, with their scenic bays and limestone caves like Ngilgi or Lake Cave. Arrive in Margaret River for wineries, beaches, and fresh regional produce.
- Evening: Dine at a Margaret River restaurant or stock up on supplies for a home-cooked motorhome meal. It's the perfect time to settle in and prepare for the adventures ahead.
- Where to stay: Margaret River Tourist Park, 44 Station Rd, Margaret River WA 6285. Powered Site.

Day 2: Margaret River

Distance: 30 Kms **Time:** 35 Minutes

- Morning: Enjoy a relaxed start with breakfast in your motorhome or at a local bakery. Browse boutique shops, galleries, and markets for unique crafts and souvenirs before heading to Surfers Point or Prevelly Beach to watch surfers ride the waves.
- Afternoon: Visit Eagles Heritage, one of Australia's largest bird-of-prey sanctuaries. Join a guided encounter, see eagles, owls, and falcons up close, and explore the native bushland trails.
- Evening: End the day with wine tasting at acclaimed Margaret River wineries like Leeuwin Estate, Voyager Estate, or Cape Mentelle. Pick up local cheeses, fruits, and baked treats for the road.
- Where to stay: Margaret River Tourist Park, 44 Station Rd, Margaret River WA 6285. Powered Site.



Margaret River vineyard

Day 3: Pemberton

Distance: 195 Kms **Time:** 2 Hours 40 Minutes

- Morning: Start early with a scenic drive along Caves Road, passing forests, vineyards, and rolling hills. Stop for breakfast or an early lunch with the local goodies you picked up the day before.
- Afternoon: Continue on the Bussell Highway, stopping in Augusta to see the Cape Leeuwin **Lighthouse**, where the Southern and Indian Oceans meet. Arrive in Pemberton by early afternoon and hop on the **Pemberton Tramway** for a ride through the karri forest.
- **Evening:** Spend the evening exploring Pemberton's shops, galleries, and cafes, soaking in the town's relaxed atmosphere.
- Where to stay: Pemberton Caravan Park, 1 Pump Hill Rd, Pemberton WA 6260. Powered Site.



Day 4: Denmark

Distance: 194 Kms Time: 2 Hours 23 Minutes

- Morning: Check out of your caravan park in Pemberton and drive the South Western Highway towards Denmark. Stop in Walpole for brunch before visiting the Valley of the Giants Tree Top Walk or the Ancient Empire Walk for a unique forest experience.
- Afternoon: Arrive in Denmark, check in, and explore local attractions such as the Denmark Maze, Thrills Adventure Park, or the Wetlands Boardwalk.
- Evening: Round off the evening with a wander over to nearby beaches, then head into town for a tasty meal.
- Where to stay: Big 4 Denmark Ocean Beach, 770 Ocean Beach Rd, Denmark WA 6333. Powered Site.



Valley of the Giants Tree Top Walk

Day 5: Albany

Distance: 102 Kms Time: 1 Hour 45 Minutes

- Morning: Arrive in Albany and enjoy breakfast at a local café overlooking Princess Royal Harbour. Begin your day at the National ANZAC Centre and nearby Princess Royal Fortress, exploring military history through exhibits, barracks, and tunnels.
- Afternoon: Head to Torndirrup National Park, starting with the Albany Wind Farm and its scenic coastal trails. Continue to dramatic landmarks like The Gap and Natural Bridge, learning about the area's whaling past while marvelling at cliffs, blowholes, and ocean views.
- **Evening:** Return to Albany for the evening and take a moment to look up if the sky is clear. Albany's dark skies provide excellent opportunities for stars and constellation viewing.
- Where to stay: BIG4 Emu Beach Holiday Park 8 Medcalf Parade, Emu Point WA 6330. Powered Site.

Day 6: Bremer Bay

Distance: 219 Kms **Time:** 2 Hours 30 Minutes

- Morning: Drive 2 hours from Albany to Bremer Bay, stopping at Manypeaks near Cheynes Beach — a favourite spot for motorhome travellers and van lifers.
- Afternoon: Check in on arrival, then explore Bremer Bay's natural beauty. Relax on pristine beaches, snorkel or dive in the turquoise waters, or enjoy coastal lookouts and sea life.
- Evening: Unwind at your campsite or enjoy a quiet evening walk along the shoreline, soaking in the relaxed coastal vibe.
- Where to stay: Bremer Bay Caravan Park, 72 Bremer Bay Rd, Bremer Bay WA 6338. Powered Site.



Bremer Bay Beaches

Day 7: Bremer Bay

Distance: 0 Kms Time: 0 Hours

- Morning: Join a full-day Bremer Canyon tour. Set out early to spot incredible marine life, with chances to see dolphins, seabirds, and even killer whales.
- Afternoon: Continue your ocean adventure with the tour, learning about the region's marine biodiversity while cruising along the coastline.
- Evening: Return to Bremer Bay after your tour for a well-deserved rest. Reflect on your wildlife encounters and enjoy a relaxed dinner in town or at your campsite.
- Where to stay: Bremer Bay Caravan Park, 72 Bremer Bay Rd, Bremer Bay WA 6338. Powered Site.





Day 8: Esperance

Distance: 430 Kms **Time:** 5 Hours

- Morning: Fuel up with breakfast in Bremer Bay, then drive east towards Esperance. Stop in Ravensthorpe for coffee and a quick look at local sights like the Dance Cottage Museum, Railway Heritage Walk, or nearby Fitzgerald River National **Park** before continuing on.
- Afternoon: Continue the scenic drive as farmland gives way to coastal views. Arrive in Esperance by early afternoon, check in, and head straight to Twilight Beach to relax, swim, or stroll along the white sands.
- Evening: If you've got extra energy, make a side trip to see the famous Pink Lake (Lake Hillier) from designated lookouts. End your day in Esperance's town centre with fresh seafood and a glass of local wine or craft beer.
- Where to stay: Esperance Bay Holiday Park, 162 Dempster St, Esperance WA 6450. Powered Site.

Day 9: Esperance

Distance: 134 Kms **Time:** 1 Hour 45 Minutes

- Morning: Kick off the day at Cape Le Grand National Park, famed for its pristine beaches, granite peaks, and native wildlife. Hike up Frenchman Peak for sweeping coastal views before heading to Lucky Bay for a picnic lunch by the sand, where kangaroos often lounge on the beach.
- Afternoon: Spend time swimming in the crystalclear waters of Lucky Bay or wandering along the shoreline. Continue to Hellfire Bay for a relaxed stroll among rocky outcrops and quiet coves.
- Evening: Return to Esperance to unwind in your motorhome, or cap off the day at the **Esperance** Museum and Art Gallery, where exhibits highlight the region's maritime past, Indigenous culture, and creative community.
- Where to stay: Esperance Bay Holiday Park, 162 Dempster St, Esperance WA 6450. Powered Site.



Cape Le Grand National Park

Day 10: Kalgoorlie

Distance: 391 Kms Time: 4 Hours 15 Minutes

- Morning: Start with breakfast at a local café before setting off inland towards Kalgoorlie. Stop in Norseman mid-morning to see **Lake Cowan**, the tin camels, and Mount limerlana.
- Afternoon: Travel through the Great Western Woodlands, with optional detours to Wave Rock and Hippo's Yawn. Have lunch in Norseman or grab snacks for the road.
- Evening: Arrive in Kalgoorlie by late afternoon, check into your accommodation, and enjoy a hearty pub meal to round out the day.
- Where to stay: Discovery Parks Kalgoorlie Goldfields, 286 Burt St, Boulder WA 6432. Powered Site.



Wave Rock

Day 11: Kalgoorlie

Distance: 0 Kms Time: 0 Hours

- Morning: Begin at the Super Pit Lookout, where sweeping views of Australia's largest open-pit gold mine showcase the scale of Kalgoorlie's mining heritage. Continue to the **Goldfields Art Centre** and Hannans North Tourist Mine to explore historic machinery, see demonstrations, and even try gold panning.
- Afternoon: Return to town for lunch, then dive deeper into history at the Museum of the Goldfields. Later, unwind at Hammond Park or the Kalgoorlie Arboretum, or check out local events and catch a movie.
- Evening: Enjoy a relaxed evening in Kalgoorlie, sampling local dining or simply soaking up the outback town's atmosphere.
- Where to stay: Discovery Parks Kalgoorlie Goldfields, 286 Burt St, Boulder WA 6432. Powered Site.



Day 12: Merredin

Distance: 333 Kms Time: 3 Hours 30 Minutes

- Morning: Check out and head for Coolgardie, stopping at Mount Charlotte for views of the pipeline. Explore the Goldfields Exhibition Museum and Warden's Court before continuing
- **Afternoon:** Continue along the highway to Merredin, passing through Westonia, a charming small town with old-world shops, lookouts, and even a working gold mine. Stop at the Hood-Penn **Museum** for its quirky exhibits before carrying on.
- Evening: Arrive in Merredin, check in, and spend the evening relaxing or planning tomorrow's adventures. The area has trails and attractions worth exploring before you return to Perth.
- Where to stay: Merredin Tourist Park, 2 Oat St, Merredin WA 6415. Powered Site.



Mount Charlotte Reservoir Lookout

Day 13: Middle Swan

Distance: 262 Kms Time: 3 Hours

- Morning: Leave Merredin and enjoy the scenic highway drive through the Wheatbelt, passing golden grain fields, rolling hills, and charming small towns perfect for quick stops.
- Afternoon: Choose your adventure: explore Swan Valley's vineyards, wineries, and gourmet food, or visit Caversham Wildlife Park for up-close encounters with Aussie animals.
- Evening: Check into your Perth holiday park, then if time allows, spend the evening at **Perth Zoo**, home to highlights like the African Savannah, Asian Rainforest, Australian Bushwalk, and Penguin Plunge.
- Where to stay: BIG4 Perth Midland Tourist Park, 6 Toodyay Rd, Middle Swan WA 6056. Powered Site.

Day 14: Perth

Distance: 390 Kms **Time:** 4 Hours 20 Minutes

- Morning: Check out of your holiday park and empty your motorhome's tanks before setting off on your final adventure. Choose your style of farewell: a relaxed morning shopping in Perth, a day trip to **Lancelin** for sandboarding and surfing, or a visit to the otherworldly **Pinnacles Desert**.
- **Afternoon:** Wrap up your road trip by heading back to Perth. Refuel your motorhome, make your way to the branch for drop-off, and say goodbye to an unforgettable journey.



Pinnacles Desert

Packing List For Your Perth road trip

Pack your sunscreen because it's time to discover some truly unique Aussie road trip destinations! With lots of beaches, bush walks, and scenic spots there are a few key things you won't want to forget! These include:

- Beach towels
- Swimwear
- Beach entertainment (buckets, volleyball, cricket,
- Appropriate footwear (thongs for beaches, sneakers for walking)
- Sun hat
- Sunscreen
- Camera/phone + chargers
- Light backpack (to carry food + water bottle)
- Personalised first aid kit (insect repellant, medications, band-aids, etc)
- Mixture of clothing for different weather/activities

Have a great trip!

