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# 2015/16 TOUR PROGRAM

*including Bunbury Day Tours*



DAY TOURS

EXTENDED TOURS

CHARTERS

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GALA TOURS

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## Terms and Conditions

### Itinerary

Royal Gala Tours reserves the right to cancel or alter the tour itinerary as deemed necessary without prior notice. Tour alterations may occur because of factors outside the control of Royal Gala Tours, i.e. weather or road conditions. Any / all costs incurred by passengers as a result of cancellations shall be borne by the passengers. Due to the possibility of unforeseen events, the exact arrival and departure times cannot be guaranteed by Royal Gala Tours.

### Tour Cancellation

A minimum number of passengers are required to operate each tour. Royal Gala Tours reserves the right to cancel a tour if these minimum numbers are not met. In this case, an alternative tour or full refund shall be arranged as agreed between Royal Gala Tours and the passenger.

### Conditions of Travel

Passengers are to comply with the instructions of the representatives of Royal Gala Tours at all times. Passengers shall not remain on the coach whilst in a position of being unable to care for themselves, or if their behavior, as determined by the representatives of Royal Gala Tours, is offensive to other passengers. Royal Gala Tours will not be responsible for the expenses of such persons precluded from completing the journey for these reasons.

Consumption of alcohol, food or drinks (excluding water) is not permitted on the coach.

Royal Gala Tours does not accept responsibility for loss or damage to luggage. Royal Gala Tours reserves the right to inspect hand luggage prior to boarding the coach. Please be aware firearms, explosives, volatile fuels and spirits may not be carried.

### Medical Condition

Passengers should advise a representative of Royal Gala Tours of any medical condition that may affect their journey. However, no responsibility shall be taken for such conditions by the representatives of Royal Gala Tours.

### Dietary considerations

Passengers should advise a representative of Royal Gala Tours of any dietary considerations that may need to be addressed prior to the commencement of the tour.

### Pickup Points

Royal Gala Tours pickup from a wide range of points as listed below.

Manjimup	-	Manjimup Visitor Centre
Bridgetown	-	Transwa Bus Stop
Greenbushes	-	Discovery Centre
Balingup	-	Village Green Forest Street
Mullalyup	-	Royal Gala Tour Office
Kirup	-	Transwa Bus Stop
Donnybrook	-	Transwa Bus Stop
Boyanup	-	Bus Stop (Hall)
Bunbury	-	Wollaston Train Station
Eaton	-	Bus Stop Eaton Shopping Ctr.

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# welcome...

Royal Gala Tour takes pleasure in presenting our brochure for 2015. We would like to thank our fellow passengers for your wonderful patronage. We look forward to welcoming you and many new passengers aboard during the coming year.

Regards, Peter Gubler, Manager and staff at Royal Gala Tours.



Discover and explore our own country regions, there are some beautiful and unique locations in the South-West that are well worth visiting. In this brochure we have included some new attractions and venues for your enjoyment.

Bunbury, the major city outside Perth is an ideal holiday location with a wide range of 5 star and Budget accommodation. Train and coach services to Bunbury operate daily from Perth giving visitors the opportunity to join Royal Gala tours on one of their many day trips. Discover Bunbury attractions, Busselton, Margaret River, Collie, Boyup Brook, Donnybrook, Greenbushes, Bridgetown and the picturesque Ferguson Valley.

Our tours range from half day to ten days and cover many local attractions for you to explore.

### All our tours are inclusive of :

An 18 seat Coaster and 46 seat luxury coach with easy access, comfortable reclining seats, restroom, video, heating and air conditioning and drinking water.

All entry fees, morning and afternoon teas are included, while some of our tours include lunch or a bring or buy your own lunch. This will be stated in your booking letter.

Prices are based on twin share accommodation for extended tours with single supplement also available.

Experienced owner driver and tour guide to ensure a pleasant journey.

Royal Gala Tours are proud of the accreditations and qualifications we hold as they demonstrate our ongoing commitment to the safety and financial security of our customers.

**National Tourism Accreditation** Australian tourism businesses are a nation wide network of businesses that have achieved recognition for the documentation of their system of business management. This indicates that we have achieved nation wide acclaim and are committed to a greater customer service and satisfaction.

# Bunbury Day Tours

## Bunbury-Harvey Tour

### HARVEY EXPLORER

*Every Monday 8am*

**Cost \$90 per person**

**Includes: Lunch, entry fees, morning & afternoon tea**

The "Featured Wood Gallery Museum" is unique in its creative wood designs and displays of Australian, American Indian, U.S. Civil War Era and American West history.

Harvey Bizee Hands houses a vast range of goods, made, grown or produced from within the Shire of Harvey. You will find fruit and vegetables, plants, preserves, pickles, sauces, craft, knitting, sewing,



quilting, woodwork and much more. The original Harvey Weir was part of the first irrigation scheme in WA, construction began in 1914 and completed the Weir in 1916. About 100 men were employed using horse and dray for all the excavation works. Yarloop timber workshop was the heart of this industry. At its peak 100 people worked here. Be fascinated by the saw doctor's shop, steam locomotives and steam generators, the vast and haunting main workshop and the treasure trove that is the patternmaker's shop. Taste the wines produced in Harvey and visit the "Moo Shop" which depicts the dairy industry in Harvey. Last stop is Ha'Ve Cheese before departing back to Bunbury

## Bunbury-Margaret River Tour

### TASTE OF MARGARET RIVER

*Every Tuesday & Saturday 8am*

**Cost \$105 per person**

**Includes: Lunch, entry fees, morning & afternoon tea**

Depart along the Bussell Highway to Busselton. Extending 1.8 kilometres the heritage listed Busselton Jetty is the longest timber-piled jetty in the Southern Hemisphere. Jump on board the Jetty Train to the spectacular Underwater Observatory.

Anniebrook Wine and Flower Emporium offer a variety of quality, wines from the Margaret River region, silk flowers, crafted giftware. Vass Virgin is a natural olive oil soap factory and hand blends a variety of luxurious natural body products.



Experience the variety of extra virgin olive oils, exquisite olives and other delicious offerings. Sit back and enjoy a sumptuous meal at the historic Margaret River Hotel. Delight your taste buds at the Fudge Factory. Enter into a fascinating world of chocolate, with free chocolate tastings and viewing windows. Canal Rocks are an ancient and unusual rock formation, extending along the Geograph Coastline near Yallingup. In wild and stormy weather, massive waves smash against the rocks and churn through the canals. Enjoy Afternoon tea taking in the natural beauty before heading back to Bunbury.

### BUNBURY MORNING TOUR

*Every Wednesday Morning 8am*

**Cost \$60 per person**

**\$105 per person for both AM & PM Tours**

**Includes: Morning tea & entry fee**

Join us at Royal Gala Tours and discover the history of Bunbury! Bunbury's resident population of Bottlenose Dolphins is eager to make your acquaintance at the Dolphin Discovery Centre in Koombana Bay, Australia's most ecologically aware dolphin experience.



Take in some local history at St Mark's Picton Church, the second oldest church in Western Australia. Travel back in time when we visit the Dardanup Heritage Park, hosting one of Australia's finest collections of heritage items, tractors and automobiles from our pioneering past. We return to Bunbury via the panoramic views of the city from Boulters Heights. Pickup at Bunbury Visitor Centre and selected Bunbury Hotels

### BUNBURY AFTERNOON TOUR

*Every Wednesday Afternoon 1pm*

**Cost \$60 per person**

**\$105 per person for both AM & PM Tours**

**Includes: Afternoon tea & entry fee**

Journey along the Leschenault Estuary to view Historic Upton House and the Australind Church. The "Featured Wood Gallery Museum" is unique in its creative wood designs and displays of Australian, American Indian, U.S. Civil War Era and American West history.

Experience bygone days at King Cottage built in 1880 for a glimpse of fashion, machinery, tools and furniture of that era. Travel through the outer suburbs of Bunbury and visit the "Maidens" before exploring Big Swamp Wildlife Park with the Kangaroos, native birds and ducks. Your day concludes with a drive along the "back beach" for a panoramic view from Boulters Heights and the black and white checkered Bunbury Lighthouse.



## A LITTLE BIT OF COUNTRY HISTORY

Every Thursday 8am

Cost \$95 per person

*Includes: Entry fees, morning & afternoon tea & lunch*



We discover a little bit of country history...Enjoy the panoramic views as we climb the Darling Ranges to discover the beauty of the Wellington National Park and Wellington Weir. Relive historical aspects of the Collie Mining Industry with the Men of the Coalmines. Take a trip down memory lane and waltz back in time to the tunes of the Nickelodeon at the Collie Museum. Travel east to delightful Boyup Brook, where there is absolutely something for everyone...Inspirational art sculptures, unique holograms, impressive beetle & butterfly display, and of course the heart of country music. Visit the acclaimed Harvey Dickson's – country music centre with its Elvis and Johnny Cash record room, big blokes shed, rodeo, concert arena and much more before returning home to Bunbury via the scenic Preston Valley.

## BUNBURY HINTERLAND

Departs every Friday 8am

Cost \$90 per person

*Includes: Entry fees, morning & afternoon tea & lunch*

Join us at Royal Gala Tours, as we discover the 'Beyond' Bunbury... Travel the 'Golden Mile' straight to the core of the apple industry. Head to the very summit of the Darling Scarp – Experience the aspects of the mining and timber industry at the Greenbushes Discovery Centre. Continue on through the Blackwood River Valley to Bridgetown. Experience the magic of Balingup and enjoy the unique galleries, specialty shops of the main street. Delight your taste buds, sample the local produce and fine wines at Birdwood Park Winery. The magic continues as we travel through the countryside of Brookhampton, Preston Valley and into the delightful Ferguson Valley, to surprise the whimsical inhabitants of Gnomesville. Homeward bound, we travel the Ferguson Wine Loop, Wildbull Brewery and take in the breathtaking vista of the rich farmlands overlooking Bunbury.



# Day Tours

## 'CASINO, HARBOUR TOWN OR IKEA'

Cost \$40 p/p

*Transport, Crown or Harbour Town voucher*

Monday 9th March 2015

Monday 13th April 2015

Monday 11th May 2015

Monday 8th June 2015

Monday 13th July 2015

Monday 10th August 2015

Monday 14th September 2015

Monday 12th October 2015

Monday 9th November 2015

Monday 7th December 2015

AS OF 2016 COST IS \$45

Monday 11th January 2016

Monday 8th February 2016

Monday 7th March 2016

Monday 11th April 2016

Enjoy a Day at the Casino including a \$10 fun pack voucher, buy factory direct at Watertown with a discount voucher, let your furnishing imagination run wild at IKEA or meet up with friends.

## DONNELLY RIVER, WOOD GALLERY AND TRAM

Saturday 11th April 2015

Cost Adults \$120, Seniors \$115

*Includes: Morning & afternoon tea, cruise, BYO lunch*

All aboard for a romantic cruise in the "Gigetta", down the Donnelly River. Take in the peace and tranquillity of this pristine environment to the beach at Yeagarup where the river and the ocean meet. Meander through the towering Karri, Marri and Jarrah forests, over trestle bridges spanning rivers and streams along one of Australia's most majestic rail lines on the historic Pemberton Tram. Appreciate the unique hand-crafted works of over 290 Western Australian artisans covering many art forms all crafted from ancient long dead trees found on the forest floor, rejected from traditional milling processes, or salvaged from old structures and transformed into magnificent solid wood furniture, sculptures and woodturning.

## ROTTNEST ISLAND IN A DAY

Friday 17th April 2015

Cost Adults \$195, Seniors \$185

*Includes: Morning & afternoon tea, BYO lunch on island*

Rottnest was separated from the mainland around 7,000 years ago, when sea levels rose. Human artefacts have been found on the island dating back at least 30,000 years, and the island is called Wadjemup by the Noongar people. Dutch sailors landed there on several occasions during the 17th century. The Island was named by Willem de Vlamingh in 1696, who called it Rotte nest ("rat's nest") after the quokka population. Rottnest features some of the finest beaches, bays and unique plant and animal life in the world. Tour the Island, discover Rottnest as an island prison. Take a train journey to the Gunnery and the picturesque Oliver Hill lookout before returning back to the mainland.

## BALINGUP SMALL FARM FIELD DAY

**Saturday 18th April 2015**

**Cost \$25 per person**

*Includes: Transport from Bunbury*

Celebrate the 25th Small Farm Field Day in the beautiful town of Balingup. This event attracts over 10,000 visitors and over 300 stalls. The Day encourages people from small cottage industries to exhibit and sell their produce. Stalls as well as information booths, fashion parade, various demonstrations and 'Speakers Tent' provide an opportunity to learn about a country lifestyle.

Something for everyone!

## PEEL ZOO & DWELLINGUP TRAIN

**Saturday 9th May 2015**

**Cost Adults \$100, Seniors \$95**

*Includes: Morning & afternoon tea, cruise, train, BYO lunch*

Lake Moyanup, covers an area of around 44 hectares on the outskirts of Waroona, a must see for keen bird watchers. Peel Zoo is located, in a lush setting on the banks of the Murray River and is a hands-on experience. Hand feed the animals, hold a snake, pat a fox. There are well over 100 species of birds and animals that will capture your attention: koalas, wombats, dingoes, exotic birds, reptiles, Bengal cats, spotted quolls, possums, owls... The huge walk-through aviary and Tasmanian Devils are star attractions. Head into the Darling Scarp to Dwellingup. In 1961 the town was destroyed by fire. Step aboard a Steam Train and journey along an amazing portion of steeply graded and tightly curved railway manually carved into the Darling Range, which was once so essential to the timber industry and the agricultural areas of Dwellingup and beyond. Coach and Train all in one day.



## NATURALISTE LIGHTHOUSE, NGILGI CAVES AND SHEARING

**Sunday 17th May 2015**

**Cost Adults \$110, Seniors \$105**

*Includes: Entries, cruise, morning & afternoon tea, lunch*

Naturaliste Lighthouse gives you a breathtaking view of Indian Ocean and Geographe Bay. Relive the duties of those early lighthouse keepers. Explore the ancient wonders of Ngilgi Cave! Discovered in 1899, Ngilgi Cave (formerly known as Yallingup Cave) is one of Geographe Bay's most renowned tourist attractions. Be part of a truly Australian Experience and see the live shearing shows with sheep dogs in action. Mixed with hands on action and our Australian humour, this show will have you laughing, engaging and learning about the Australian wool industry, history, culture and the dog breeds which helped herd the sheep.



## PERTH CRAFT AND QUILT FAIR

**Wednesday 20th May and Friday 22nd May 2015**

**Cost \$55 per person**

*Includes: Transport & entry*

Have yourself in stitches or patch yourself up at this colourful exhibition. An inspirational day out for lovers of all crafts, whether expert or beginner. See amazing quilts and many other displays, join in workshops and be creative!

## MANDURAH GREYHOUNDS

**Thursday 28th May 2015**

**Cost \$45 per person**

*Includes: Entry fees, program, BYO dinner*

Enjoy "The thrill of the chase." A great night out with friends, food and betting facilities.

## UNDER THE WATER BY THE SEA & WHISTLER'S

**Thursday 4th June 2015**

**Cost Adults \$90, Seniors \$82**

*Includes: Entries, morning & afternoon tea, BYO lunch*

Take a journey through Hillarys Aquarium of Western Australia, housing the world's largest collection of WA marine life. The amazing underwater tunnel gives you an inkling of the fascinating world found under the sea.

By the time you have passed through the displays you would have explored 12,000km of WA's coast line in just a few hundred metres! (How efficient is that)!

West Australia's oldest confectionery company Whistler's has a proud history when it comes to manufacturing quality chocolate products. Originating from a long line of English Confectioners and Bakers, it was not until 1968 that the family moved to Western Australia and started one of Perth's first confectionery companies.

## YARLOOP AND HARVEY

**Sunday 14th June 2015**

**Cost Adults \$100, Seniors \$95**

*Includes: Entry fees, morning & afternoon tea, lunch*

At the turn of the century the Millar brothers were one of W.A.'s biggest timber exporters. Take a guided tour through the Historic Steam Workshops and experience the days of yesteryear as the volunteer's fire up the steam engines. Lunch in the Cabin restaurant then head off to Harvey for a glimpse of history, art and craft at the Bizee Hands Gallery.

## MYSTERY TOUR

**Friday 26th June 2015**

**Cost Adults \$100, Seniors \$95**

*Includes: Entry fees, morning & afternoon tea, lunch*

Travel all over the countryside with Royal Gala Tours.

## WHALE WATCHING

**Friday 3rd July 2015**

**Cost Adults \$125, Seniors \$120**

*Includes: Entry fees, morning & afternoon tea, BYO lunch*

Humpback Whales, Southern Right Whales, and the rare Blue and Minke Whales on both their northern and southern migrations will delight the viewer. Watch these majestic creatures breach and frolic while listening on the latest hydro phonic equipment to the haunting, yet beautiful sounds. Learn the history of the 1830's pioneers and their descendants. See the artifacts from local shipwrecks all at the Historical Museum Augusta.

## WHITEMAN PARK AND GUILFORD RAILWAY MUSEUM

**Sunday 5th July 2015**

**Cost Adults \$110, Seniors \$105**

*Includes: Entry fees, morning & afternoon tea, lunch*

Whiteman Park showcases the far reaching impact that our transport choices have made from the horse drawn era to the present day. The pottery shop and gallery is operated by a co-operative of more than a dozen potters and has a display of clay creations. A must-stop shop for all sweet tooths! The Lolly Stop has everything from chocolate to fudge, boiled lollies to liquorice, sweet to sour. The Railway Museum at Bassendean is devoted to railway history. The collection is the only one in Western Australia that aims to tell the story of all railways across the state; the collection spans the whole spectrum of railway history.

## FREMANTLE PRISON AND MARITIME MUSEUM

**Saturday 11th July 2015**

**Cost Adults \$100, Seniors \$95**

*Includes: Entry fees, morning & afternoon tea, BYO lunch*

Fremantle Prison was used as a place of incarceration for 136 years before being decommissioned as an operating maximum security gaol in 1991. The empty prison with its solitary cells and gallows is a monument to a system of punishment that is uncomfortably recent. Discover all its secrets. Lunch at the E Shed markets. The Western Australian Maritime Museum is symbolic of Fremantle's past, present and future as a coastal city and port and home to the winning America's Cup yacht, Australia II, an Oberon class submarine — HMAS Ovens, Jon Sanders' Parry Endeavour and many other iconic vessels from WA's maritime history.



## PERTH CRAFT & WOOD SHOW

**Saturday 1st August 2015**

**Cost Adults \$50, Seniors \$45**

*Includes: Transport only*

For men and women who love to get creative with their hands! Lots of bargains on tools and fabric to be found on the day! An inspirational day out for lovers of all crafts, whether expert or beginner. See amazing displays and join in workshops.

## NANNUP GARDEN FESTIVAL

**Saturday 15th August 2015**

**Cost Adults \$70, Seniors \$65**

*Includes: Transport, morning & afternoon tea, BYO lunch*

Indulge in some Lewana Park Cheese tastings before heading off to Nannup, aboriginal for "Rest A While" and the bustle of the Garden Festival with its array of exciting market stalls, entertainment and guest speakers. Tiptoe through the tulips at the Nannup Tulip Farm and enjoy a cup of tea among the native animals at Donnelly River.

## BALINGUP MEDIEVAL CARNIVAL

**Saturday 22nd August 2015**

**Cost \$25 per person**

*Includes: Transport from Bunbury*

The Medieval Affayre is full of great fun, colour and fabulous costumes. Enjoy the Medieval fighting groups, Buxom Wenches, Jesters, Kings and Queens. Grand Parade at 1pm is the centrepiece of the event. Dress up and be part of the fray. Food Courts galore and market stalls, medieval dancing and singing. Dress up and step back in time.

## DOWERIN FIELD DAY

**Wednesday 26th August 2015**

**Cost Adults \$60, Seniors \$55**

*Includes: Transport, morning & afternoon tea, BYO entry*

Dowerin Field Day is one of the biggest annual machinery events in Western Australia. Displays include wine, small goods, tools, cars, bob cats, tractors, trucks and sheep shearing displays. All the fun at the fair and something for everyone.

## ARALUEN TULIPS AND CANNING VALE NURSERY

**Saturday 29th August 2015**

**Cost Adults \$75, Seniors \$70**

*Includes: Entry fees, morning & afternoon tea, BYO lunch*

Araluen Botanic Park is a unique world-class botanic park of great natural beauty and tranquillity. Every year volunteer's plant over 50,000 bulbs to create the stunning Tulip Festival at Araluen. Pack a picnic lunch and make a day of it before exploring the wonderful world at Canning Vale nursery which offers a huge range of shrubs, grasses, palms and tropical plants, conifers, fountains and specialises in plants and flowers, culinary herbs, decorative cacti and succulents, shrubs and topiary. Come and see the garden furniture and outdoor sculptures as well as designer pots and planters. Plenty of room under the coach for purchases.

## DWELLINGUP DINNER TRAIN

**Friday 11th September 2015**

**Cost \$135 per person**

*Includes: Dinner train, afternoon tea*

Head into the Darling Scarp to Dwellingup. In 1961 the town was destroyed by fire. Step aboard a Steam Train and experience the magic of the forest. All aboard the Restaurant Train complete with 1919 Vintage Dining Car and 1884 Club Car. Enjoy a five course meal in the dining car, served from the onboard wood stove, as our train meanders through the night forest which is softly floodlit from the train.

## MANDURAH GREYHOUNDS

**Thursday 17th September 2015**

**Cost \$45 per person**

*Includes: Transport and tipping guide*

Enjoy the thrill of the chase. A great family night and the track will be steaming with an action packed program of greyhound racing and excitement. Full TAB facilities

## WILDFLOWERS KINGS PARK

**Saturday 26th September 2015**

**Cost \$45 per person**

*Includes: Transport & morning tea, BYO lunch*

Delight in the annual magical colour spectacle of Kings Park and buy wildflowers from the friends of King Park native plant sale. Take in the breathtaking views from the treetop walk and discover the water fountains and walk trails meandering through the park.



## PERTH ROYAL SHOW

**Thursday 1st October 2015**

**Cost \$45 per person**

*Includes: Transport only*

Thrills and spills at the Perth Agricultural Show. Check out the agricultural, animal and regional exhibitions. Take a rest and enjoy the demonstrations in the central arena, wood chopping, stock horse display. For those wanting more excitement, thrills and spills, stroll through sideshow alley and take a hair raising ride. Spend time at the craft, produce and fashion pavilions and don't forget your show bags. Something for everyone!!

## MINING IN WAGERUP

**Friday 9th October 2015**

**Cost Adults \$95, Seniors \$90**

*Includes: Entry fees, morning & afternoon tea & lunch*

The Wagerup Alumina Refinery has been a part of the Western Australian community since it began operations in 1984. Visit the Wagerup Refinery & Willowdale Mine including a visit to the rehabilitation seed orchard. Learn more about sustainable farming practices. Enjoy Lunch beside a natural lakeside forest setting. The main attraction at White Rocks Dairy in Brunswick Junction is watching cows being milked. White Rocks museum have a collection of old horse drawn machinery, learn about the original pioneers of this historic farm. Look through the restored original buildings, one-room school, modern dairy and the history of one family which tell a story of farming and local development from 1887 to the present. A great photo opportunity for you when you try your hand at milking a cow the original way!

## FREMANTLE CRUISE, TRAM AND BUS

**Wednesday 21st October 2015**

**Cost Adults \$160, Seniors \$150**

*Includes: Morning & afternoon tea, fares, cruise & lunch*

Take in the unique architecture and historical buildings of Fremantle on an informative tram ride before embarking on a Captain Cook Cruise. Enjoy a scrumptious buffet lunch as we make our way up the beautiful Swan River, named after the black swans which inhabited the area. All aboard a double decker bus for an historic tour of Perth. Disembark at Kings Park and enjoy afternoon tea overlooking the City of Perth and the Darling Scarp.

## BRIDGETOWN GARDEN FESTIVAL

**Saturday 31st October 2015**

**Cost Adults \$90, Seniors \$85**

*Includes: Transport from Bunbury, garden entry, morning & afternoon tea, BYO lunch*

Welcome in the spring in Bridgetown, known throughout the South West as the Garden Town. Visit stunning gardens and exciting market stalls.

## MYSTERY TOUR

**Sunday 1st November**

**Cost Adults \$110, Seniors \$105**

*Includes: Morning & afternoon tea, lunch*

Star Trekking across the Universe

## MARGARET RIVER CAVES AND EAGLES

**Saturday 14th November 2015**  
**Cost Adults \$105, Seniors \$100**

*Includes: Entry fees, morning & afternoon tea, lunch*

Lake Cave is a mirrored wonderland. Home to the “suspended table” which weighs several tonnes and is one of the only formations of its kind in the world, it is the only cave on the Leeuwin-Naturaliste Ridge that has a permanent lake. After lunch in a natural bushland setting you will see the largest collection of Eagles, Hawks, Falcons and Owls in Australia.

Eagles Heritage was established in 1987 out of a need to provide homes for permanently disabled birds of prey and owls which had been handed in and cared for by volunteers, but were unable to make a recovery sufficient for their return to the wild. See magnificent birds at close quarters, put on a glove and experience a bird of prey perch on your arm.

## PENGUIN ISLAND AND KWINANA GRAIN TERMINAL

**Friday 20th November 2015**  
**Cost Adults \$115, Seniors \$110**

*Includes: Morning & afternoon tea, lunch*

A five minute ferry ride across beautiful Shoalwater Bay in Rockingham, Penguin Island is one of Western Australia's favourite day trip destinations. The star attraction is the little penguin, the smallest species in the world will entertain you



with their feeding antics. The island and Marine Park abounds with other wildlife including wild dolphins, sea lions, stingrays, pelicans, king skinks and over 50 species of sea birds. The Kwinana Grain Terminal is Western Australia's primary grain export facility, shipping more than half of the state's export grain and with a total storage capacity of more than one million tonnes. Visit the Granary Museum and Kwinana Beach where the wreck of the SS Kwinana has been cut down and filled to form a jetty.

## DONNELLY RIVER, WOOD AND BIG BROOK DAM

**Sunday 6th December 2015**  
**Cost Adults \$120, Seniors \$115**

*Includes: Entry fees, morning & afternoon tea, BYO lunch*

All aboard for a romantic cruise in the “Gigetta”, down the Donnelly River. Take in the peace and tranquillity of this pristine environment, walk on the beach while enjoying morning tea. Appreciate unique wood craft salvaged from ancient long dead trees found on the forest floor. Enjoy afternoon tea surrounded by beautiful Karri trees at Big Brook Dam, built in 1986 to supplement the Pemberton town and Trout Hatchery water supply.

## PATRONS CHRISTMAS GET TOGETHER

**Sunday 13th December 2015**  
**Cost \$65 per person**

*Includes: Lunch, entertainment and 2 drink vouchers*

Celebrate a wonderful year with Royal Gala Tours. Renew old acquaintances; make new friends and farewell 2015. Singing, Entertainment and Good Cheer.

Prize for the best Christmas joke or skit.

## MANDURAH CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

**Thursday 17th December 2015**  
**Cost \$90 per person, \$65 children**

*Includes: Cruise and 3 course dinner*

Start your festive season off. Enjoy a 3 course meal at Cicerello's before embarking on a tour of the canals. Marvel at the extraordinary mass of lights that adorn the Mandurah Canals at this time of the year. This popular cruise sells fast! Book your seat early!



## BUSSELTON, CHEESE, SILK, SHEARING AND JETTY

**Sunday 17th January 2016**  
**Cost Adults \$110, Seniors \$105**

*Includes: Entry fees, morning & afternoon tea, lunch*

Taste award winning Capel Cheddar Cheese in an assortment of flavours and styles. Learn about the cycle of a silkworm and enjoy a display and demonstration of leaf harvest, silkworm feeding, reeling and hand-dyeing silk thread. You'll love the amazing array of mulberry and silk products including: - delicious jams, syrup - mulberry wine mulberry teas - silk scarves and accessories - silk fabrics, clothing, and gifts. Discover what it's like to be a part of something truly Australian. The Yallingup Shearing Shed makes learning about the shearing and wool industry great wholesome fun for all to enjoy. Extending 1.8 kilometres across stunning Geographe Bay, the heritage listed Busselton Jetty is the longest timber-piled jetty in the Southern Hemisphere. Jump on board the famous Jetty Train to reach the spectacular Underwater Observatory. Descend 8 metres below the water's surface to discover some of the 300 different marine species below the jetty.

## AUSTRALIA DAY FIREWORKS BUNBURY

**Tuesday 26th January 2016**

**Cost \$25 per person**

*Includes: Transport from Manjimup*

Finish your Australia Day off with a bang!. Celebrate with a picnic, buy your dinner, or join friends at the foreshore in Bunbury to watch the amazing fireworks

## WALPOLE WOW CRUISE AND TREETOP WALK

**Friday 12th February 2016**

**Cost Adults \$115, Seniors \$110**

*Includes: Cruise, entries, morning & afternoon tea, BYO lunch*

Delight in the magnificent Karri Forests to Walpole. All aboard for an informative eco cruise on the Walpole Inlet with Gary Muir. View the Southern Ocean and enjoy a delicious morning tea before venturing into the main street of Walpole for lunch. Explore the famous treetop walk up among the Karri canopy. Relax with afternoon tea at Fernhook Falls.



## MYSTERY TOUR

**Tuesday 23rd February 2016**

**Cost Adults \$105 Seniors \$100**

*Includes: Entry fees, morning & afternoon tea, lunch*

Somewhere over the Rainbow!

## WAGIN WOOLARAMA

**Saturday 12th March 2016**

**Cost Adults \$50 Seniors \$45**

*Includes: Transport only*

Over 350 commercial exhibitors; over 1000 sheep, cattle, horses and chooks, working sheep dogs, hourly fashion parades, art, photography and craft. Delight in the side shows, free entertainment, lifestyle displays, wool handling and shearing competitions. All this activity will make this an exciting day.

## ART AT COTTESLOE BEACH

**Wednesday 16th March 2016**

**Cost Adults \$90, Seniors \$85**

*Includes: Transport, morning & afternoon tea, BYO lunch*

Sculpture by the Sea returns to Cottesloe Beach, Perth, Western Australia. Over 70 local, interstate and international artists will transform Perth's most popular beach into a stunning sculpture park overlooking the Indian Ocean. Perched on the ocean shore, the Western Australian Maritime Museum is symbolic of Fremantle's past, present and future housing, several unique galleries that explore WA's relationship with the sea, featuring leisure boats and handcrafted sailing boats too commercial pearl luggers. The Museum is home to the winning America's Cup yacht, Australia II, an Oberon class submarine, HMAS Ovens, Jon Sanders' Parry Endeavour and many other iconic vessels from WA's maritime history.

## FREMANTLE PRISON, ARMY AND AVIATION

**Wednesday 30th March 2016**

**Cost Adults \$110, Seniors \$105**

*Includes: Transport, morning & afternoon tea, lunch*

Fremantle Prison is one of Western Australia's most fascinating and significant historical attractions. The history of Fremantle Prison dates back to the early beginnings of Western Australia. Decommissioned as a maximum-security gaol in 1991, the Prison was continuously used as a place of incarceration for almost 140 years. With death row, solitary cells and gallows, it is a monument to a system of punishment that is uncomfortably recent. Established Between 1906 and 1908 the Fremantle Artillery Barracks, also known as Victoria Barracks, served as a base for the Royal Australian Garrison Artillery, who manned the heavy artillery guns guarding the port of Fremantle. Learn more about our war history through to the 1950s. The Aviation Heritage Museum provides a unique museum experience of civilian and military aviation through its extraordinary aviation displays. This is one of the most unique museums in the Southern Hemisphere.

## NEWSPAPER HOUSE, LAKES AND NURSERIES

**Wednesday 13th April 2016**

**Cost Adults \$100, Seniors \$95**

*Includes: Morning & afternoon tea, lunch*

Herdsmen Lake is part of a chain of wetlands that once extended from north of Joondalup to south of Cockburn. The lake is now an important breeding ground for water birds. Herdsmen Lake has been used for market gardens, mining diatomaceous earth, waste disposal, soldier resettlement and at one time was earmarked for a second airport. Take a guided tour of Newspaper House which has been in operation since the early 1900s and receive your free copy of the daily paper. Dawson's Garden World is passionate about gardening and don't just sell plants but want to help you get the best out of your garden. Their roots are deep in the ground and Dawson's have been serving Perth's gardening community for over a hundred years.

# Extended Tours

## ANZAC CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS

Friday 24th April - Sunday 26th April 2015

3 Days, 2 Nights

Cost Adults \$740, Seniors \$690, S/S \$136

*Includes: Accommodation, breakfast, dinners and morning & afternoon teas. BYO lunch on 1 day*

### Day 1 Home – Albany (B/L/D)

Enjoy morning tea beside Lake Muir, home to more than 600 native plants and supports more than 20 000 water birds. Start your historic journey at the Mt Barker Police Barracks where Corporal Rollison, Officer in Charge of Mount Barker Police Station, penned his journals from 1866 onwards. Albany played an important role in the ANZAC legend, being the last port of call for troopships departing Australia in the First World War. Tour Albany and the port before settling in at the Dog Rock Motel.

### Day 2 Albany (B/D/BYO Lunch)

Optional: Rise early to catch the shuttle up to the Mt Clarence Dawn Service overlooking King George Sound before returning to the Motel. "Fall In" for the parade down York Street to take part in a commemorative service in the Peace Park. Watch the start of the Albany to Fremantle yacht race before heading off to visit, Strawberry Hill Farm which was considered old more than 100 years ago. As far back as 1890 it was given the name 'The Old Farm', in recognition of being the oldest farm in Western Australia, established even before the Swan River Colony. A Government Farm was established at Strawberry Hill in 1827 as part of the first European settlement at King George Sound.

### Day 3 Albany – Home (B/L)

Albany is the oldest permanently settled town in Western Australia, pre-dating Perth and Fremantle by some two years. Initially named Fredericks town, in honour of Prince Frederick, Duke of York and Albany. During the late 19th century the town served as a gateway to the Eastern Goldfields.

Visit the National Anzac Centre and explore the Military Fort before departing for afternoon tea at Shannon Mill site.



## BALLOONING NORTHAM AND TOODYAY

Thursday 14th May - Friday 15th May 2015

2 Days, 1 Night

Cost Adults \$500, Seniors \$450, S/S \$80

Optional Extra Ballooning \$300

*Includes: Entries, morning & afternoon tea, lunch*

### Day 1 Home – Northam (L/D)

Depart from the South West to Mundaring Weir to discover where the "Golden Pipeline" to Kalgoorlie all began. Travel through the picturesque Avon Valley to the quaint town of York the oldest inland town in Western Australia, and home to over 2,000 people. Established in December 1979, the York Motor Museum is now recognised as one of the finest private collections of Veteran, Vintage, Classic and Racing Cars in Australia. The York Mill has its own remarkable history, from its inception as an internationally acclaimed Flour Mill Established in 1892, to its present day life as a center for Arts and Crafts. Holy Trinity Church completed in 1854 has an interior richly ornamented with glass, designed by WA artist Robert Juniper. The original High Altar and Walsingham Shrine feature Juniper's paintings. The church also contains a rare Albert Piesse pipe organ with eight bells. Overnight Northam Motel

### Day 2 Northam – Home (B/L/D)

Rise and shine for all those Balloonists brave enough to head up into the clouds. For those not ballooning sleep in before taking in the delights of Northam. View adult emus, nests and chicks in their enclosed but natural bush setting. The emu shop offers products, such as leather garments, carved and non-carved eggs, therapeutic oils, cosmetics, soap, feathers and emu meat. Take a tour of our farm and see chicks being hatched and eggs being collected. Join Sue when her special mob of wild kangaroos come in to feed. Observe and photograph the natural family interaction between males, the mothers and their joeys. The Place of Plenty olive grove at Nardie homestead overlooks the Avon River, producing fresh olive oils with distinct flavours from several varieties of organically grown olives. The oils are cold filtered and bottled on site to ensure consistent quality. If you are looking for that special piece for your garden then look no further than at the Toodyay Emporium, something for everyone. Free time in historic Toodyay steeped in Moondyne Joe history.



## PILBARA DISCOVERY TOUR

**Saturday 18th July - Monday 27th July 2015**

**10 Days, 9 Nights**

**Cost Adults \$2,550, Seniors \$2,500, S/S \$550**

*Includes: Accommodation, breakfast, dinners and morning & afternoon teas. BYO lunch on 1 day*

### **Day 1 Home – Geraldton (L/D)**

Head north on the Great Indian Ocean Drive and take in magnificent scenery. Get a firsthand look into the regions multimillion dollar lobster industry by taking a tour of the LIVE lobster processing plant at the Indian Ocean Rock Lobster Factory and indulge in a seafood lunch. Onward North to Geraldton for a sunset tour of the HMAS lookout, a memorial to 645 young Australian Sailors who lost their lives when the HMAS Sydney II sank. When the HMAS Sydney II was built, she was the pride of the Royal Australian Navy fleet and named after Sydney, the capital city of New South Wales. Relax at the Ibis All Seasons Motel.

### **Day 2 Geraldton – Carnarvon (B/L/D)**

Depart via historic Northampton and Port Gregory once a convict hiring Depot. The rich history of Murchison House has been shaped by the hands of pioneering battlers, wealthy wool merchants and even an Indian Prince! It is one of the oldest and largest properties in W.A. and is a family owned and operated business. Murchison House Station was founded in 1858 by Charles von Bibra to provide meat and wheat to lead miners at Galena, beef to the growing Perth market and remount horses to the British army in India. Kalbarri National Park is a photographers delight at the Graham Ross lookout. On the road again to Carnarvon, the town was founded in 1883, initially as a port and supply centre for the surrounding regions. It is named after Henry Herbert, 4th Earl of Carnarvon, a past Secretary of State for the Colonies. Enjoy a good night's rest at the Gateway Motel.

### **Day 3 Carnarvon – Exmouth (B/L/D)**

Travelling the North West Coastal highway to Coral Bay take a glass bottom boat tour over the beautiful coral formations found in the lagoon gardens of the inner reef viewing the wonderful fish and coral formations and an informative



talk without having to get in the water. On the highway once again to Exmouth The first documented European landing on the Ningaloo Coast was made by the Dutch Captain Williem Janz of the Mauritius in 1618 near the tip of what is now known as North West Cape. Australian Captain Phillip Parker King later visited in 1818, and named Exmouth Gulf in honour of his hero, Viscount Exmouth, formerly Sir Edward Pellew. Pearlery and Pastoralists moved into the area in 1942, during World War II, the US Navy established a submarine base under the code name Operation Potshot. Overnight at the Pot Shot Motel

### **Day 4 Exmouth – Karratha (B/L/D)**

Setting off Bright and early with 600kilometres to cover, enjoy a relaxing lunch by the Fortescue River the third longest river in the state. The river rises near Deadman Hill in the Ophthalmia Range near Newman and flows through the 960 square kilometres and discharges into the Indian Ocean at Mardie Station about 40 km south-west of Dampier. The river was named in 1861 during an expedition by the explorer and surveyor Francis Thomas Gregory, after Chichester Fortescue who was the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies. The traditional owners of the area that the river flows through are the Indjibandi peoples.

### **Day 5 Karratha – Port Hedland (B/L/D)**

Explore Cape Lambert and Cossack which is now an historic ghost town. In May 1863, Walter Padbury landed his stock at the mouth of the Harding River near the present site of Cossack which was first known as Tien Tsin Harbour, after the barque that carried Padbury and his party. The ship that brought the state's Governor, Frederick Weld, in December 1871 was named HMS Cossack and the town adopted this name in 1872. Fishing is the main industry In Port Samson and from 1938 to 1966 blue asbestos or crocidolite was carried here by rail from Wittenoom. At its peak, the town supported two hotels, a blacksmith, a police station and a horse track. Overnight at Hospitality Inn Port Hedland.

### **Day 6 Port Hedland (B/D/BYO Lunch)**

Port Hedland is known by the Indigenous Kariyarra and Nyamal people as Marapikurrinya, which means "place of good water" This landlocked area is now the turning basin for the ships that enter the port and is the world's largest bulk tonnage export port, exporting 372.3 million tonnes per annum and contributes 14% or \$4 billion to the Pilbara's Gross Income and is a melting pot of over an estimated 72 nationalities and cultures. Though the coastline in the area had been explored in the 18th century, Captain Peter Hedland was one of the first Europeans to explore the harbour for the purpose of developing an export port. Visit Turtle beach, an Aboriginal art Centre and Wildlife Park. Free time to explore the shops. Optional night tour of Port Hedland.



### Day 7 Port Hedland – Mt Newman (B/L/D)

The Yule River was named in 1861 by the surveyor and explorer Francis Gregory while on expedition in the area, after Thomas Newte Yule. Lunch at Fortescue Falls and explore the Karijini National Park including Circular Pool, Kalamina Gorge and Joffre Falls. Newman sits on what was originally regarded as marginal cattle country. It was built in the 1960s by the Mount Newman Mining Company following the discovery of rich iron deposits on nearby Mount Whaleback. The discovery marked the start of the resource boom in Western Australia in the 1970s. The town takes its name from nearby Mount Newman, named in honour of A.W. Newman, an early explorer who died of typhoid fever just before reaching the area in 1896. Overnight at Mt Newman Motel.

### Day 8 Mt Newman – Meekatharra (B/L/D)

Take a tour of Mt Newman Iron Ore Mine before setting off along the Great Northern Highway. Collier Range National Park is the home of the rare Pilbara Pebble-Mound Mouse. “25 Mile well” on the Great Northern Highway has been restored as a monument to the many drovers and stockmen driving their charges through this rugged land. Meekatharra is a former gold rush town. The first settlement occurred in 1894. It is an Aboriginal name meaning ‘place of little water’ and is an area known to the Yamatji Aboriginal people. Meekatharra is a major supply centre for the pastoral and mining area and is a centre for sheep and cattle transshipment, initially by rail but now by road trains. It is also a base for the Royal Flying Doctor Service and School of the Air. Just 3km from Meekatharra is a fascinating area of granite rock formations. Its reputation for picnics dates back to World War I when Meekatharra’s service men were welcomed home with a gala picnic and sports day at the granites. Since that day, the area has been known as Peace Gorge. Overnight at the Auski Motel



### Day 9 Meekatharra – Dalwallinu (B/L/D)

Off bright and early through the small communities of Nannine, Tuckanarra and Nallan to Cue. Gold was discovered in 1892 and the town was named after an early prospector Tom Cue. The town of Day Dawn, 8 km south, was established within a year; by 1900 a hospital and cemetery were established between the two towns. Lake Austin and the town are both named after surveyor Robert Austin, who was the first European to explore and chart the area in 1895. Mount Magnet is an old gold rush town. The name was chosen during exploration of the region due to an isolated hill 5 km North West of the town which had an extremely high iron content and affected the compasses of explorers. Paynes Find was named after the prospector, Thomas Payne, who was the first to discover gold in the area. Our final Destination for the day is Dalwallinu a Wheatbelt town on the world-famous Western Australian Wildflower Route. The name of the town comes from the Aboriginal word that means “place to wait a while” or “goodlands”. “Wait a While in the goodlands” at the Dalwallinu Motel

### Day 10 Dalwallinu – Home (B/L)

Pack up your troubles in your old kit bag as we make our way home through Wongan Hills a wheat belt town settled in the 1900s, and named after “kwongan”, an indigenous word for sand plain, In 1925 an agricultural research station was established about 5 km north of the town which assisted in the diversification and improvements in farm practices through the state. The area is a prosperous agricultural region with activities focused on sheep, grain and pig-farming. Enter the Avon Valley through the ballooning Town of Northam first explored in 1830 It was named by Governor Stirling, probably after a village of the same name in Devon, England and became a point of departure for explorers and settlers who were interested in the lands which lay to the east. The arrival of the railway made Northam the major departure point for fossickers and miners who headed east towards the goldfields. Welcome home to the South West for our last afternoon tea at Pinjarra. We hope you have enjoyed your Tour.



## WILDFLOWER WONDER

**Sunday 30th August - Friday 4th September 2015**

**6 Days, 5 Nights**

**Cost Adults \$1650, Seniors \$1600, S/S \$420**

**Includes: Accommodation, morning & afternoon tea, dinner, breakfast, entries, BYO 1 lunch**

### **Day 1 Home – Dalwallinu (L/D)**

Enjoy morning tea in the beautiful Darling Scarp at Lake Moyanup before heading north to Bindoon the gateway to the wildflowers. George Fletcher Moore opened up the area in 1941 and it is aboriginal for “Place where the wild yams grow”. With a local guide we will discover the beauty of Blackboy Ridge and the many species of wildflowers growing in the area. The majority of training and selection for the Australian Special Air Service Regiment takes place at Bindoon and it is home to Bindoon Agricultural College. Travelling further north along the old road once used by the Benedictine Monks we reach the Spanish Town of New Norcia. Take time to appreciate the beautiful collection of Art Work in the New Norcia Museum. Overnight at Dallwallinu

### **Day 2 Dalwallinu – Geraldton (B/L/D)**

Dalwallinu is the first town along the Wildflower Way, a route that showcases beautiful outback wildflowers. Dalwallinu and Wubin are sheep and wheat farming towns in our Wheatbelt region. Perenjori on the wildflower trail derives its name from the Aboriginal word “Perangery”, meaning water hole. Perenjori is a town on the move, its industries include, sheep, grain, wildflowers and mining. Morawa is known as the Heart of the Wildflowers for a very good reason as it is one of the most prolific areas for native flowering plants. Many species of flowers are unique to this district along with carpets of everlastings; the most unique and distinctive is the Wreath Flower (*Leschenaultia macrantha*). Coalseam is a well known geological site where the first coal deposits in Western Australia were discovered by the Gregory Brothers in 1846. Wildflowers of all varieties are in abundance with carpets of pink, gold, cream and white everlastings transforming the usually sparse understorey of wattle scrub during the wildflower season. Passing through Mullewa, Tenindewa Ambania, Bringo and Moonyoonooka we make our way to Geraldton for an afternoon view of the city from HMAS Lookout. Overnight Geraldton



### **Day 3 Geraldton – Kalbarri (B/L/D)**

Departing Geraldton we set off through Historic Northampton, Horrocks Beach and the Convict Ruins at Port Gregory which lies near the mouth of the Hutt River on Western Australia’s Coral Coast. Originally developed to serve the Geraldine Lead mine it was named after brothers Augustus and Francis Gregory, two of Western Australia’s most active explorers. In May 1853 sixty convicts and Pensioner Guards arrived from England via Fremantle in the ships Leander and GoldDigger. The convicts were utilized for Government works and in establishing a road to the Murchison River and the Geraldine lead mine.

Get your Passports ready to be stamped as you enter the Principality of Hutt River which was declared an independent province in 1970 by HRH Leonard Casley, in response to a dispute with the government of Western Australia over the draconian wheat production quotas. Kalbarri gorges and formations were carved by the Murchison River to form spectacular gullies in the ranges. Take in this magnificent country from The Loop, Nature’s Window, Z-Bend, Hawk’s Head and Ross Graham lookout. At Nature’s Window this natural rock arch frames the river view perfectly and is a must-snap photograph opportunity. Considered by many to offer the most breathtaking view is the Z-Bend lookout, the gorge plunges 150 metres to the river below where river red gums create a striking contrast against the earthy Tumulagooda sandstone. Over 1,000 species of WA wildflowers bring a riot of colour to Kalbarri National Park’s vast sandplains. Overnight Kalbarri.

### **Day 4 Kalbarri –Geraldton (B/D)**

Murchison House Station is one of the oldest and largest properties in W.A. at 150 years. The station has over 60km of rugged Indian Ocean coastline, over 30km of Murchison River floodplains and adjoins the Kalbarri National Park. The homestead is situated on the tranquil banks of the Murchison River, surrounded by hundreds of large river gum trees. With a plentiful supply of water, wildlife is abundant. Large flocks of birds abound, kangaroos and emus are plentiful and feral goats are everywhere. Take a walk on the wild side at Rainbow Jungle where you will find the largest parrot free flight aviary in the country, with the largest flock of Purple Crowned Lorikeets in the world and many other magnificently coloured Australian parrots.

Wander along paved brick pathways, through landscaped tropical gardens, past waterfalls, fountains, stained glass windows, gargoyles and lily ponds and enjoy close encounters with the magnificent Australian Black Cockatoos. Around every corner there are parrots in every colour of the rainbow, including the beautiful Eclectus parrot and the fantastic, exotic Sun Conures. Rainbow Jungle is regarded as one of the wonders of Western Australia. Head out on the highway back to Geraldton.



**Day 5 Geraldton – Cervantes (B/L/D)**

Departing Geraldton we make our way through to Greenough. The Hamlet is a collection of Historical buildings and is described as a “Village Frozen in Time” it was established in the 1800s and once home to more than 100 people. See the leaning trees forced to bend due to extreme winds. Western Flora, north of Eneabba, is a gardener’s delight during the wildflower season when more than 300 varieties of stunning flowering plants can be viewed on the property and more than 2000 varieties within 40 km of the park. Join Ron on a fascinating tour into the insight of how these plants are pollinated and how they survive over generations. Discover insects small enough to fit several on a pin head and view them through a microscope. Lesueur National Park has a variety of wildflowers which come in diverse shapes, sizes, and colours: red, orange, pink, yellow, purple, green, and white. The park was named after Charles-Alexandre Lesueur, a natural history artist aboard the Naturaliste on Hamelin’s 1801 expedition. Lesueur National Park covers 26,987 hectares. More than 800 plant species have been identified, making it one of the richest sites for plant species in the world. Nine of these are found nowhere else in the world while 81 are at their most northern or southern limits, providing unique plant communities. Overnight Cervantes.



**Day 6 Cervantes – Home (B/L)**

The Pinnacles Desert covers an area of 190 hectares and contains thousands of limestone Pinnacles, some up to 5 meters high. The variation in colours (due mainly to the variation in soil types), and the stark relief of the Pinnacles against a backdrop of constantly shifting sand dunes creates an eerie landscape of ever changing moods often viewed at its best at dawn or sunset when the shadows create remarkable patterns and shapes that ripple over the sands. The lobster processing factory offers the complete lobster experience from lobster pot to cooking pot and provides a close up encounter with the most valued single species fishery in Australia; the Western Rock Lobster. Watch how they are brought in from the ocean processed in the factory and packaged up to be sent LIVE to destinations all over the world. Purchase your own fresh seafood box from the factory. Our last wildflower experience is with Mrs Rhonda Tonkin, proprietor of Western Wildflower Farm in Moora. Rhonda has worked tirelessly within the wildflower industry for 32 years and exports wildflowers to 11 different countries. A large portion of the Tonkin family farm is dedicated to cultivating wildflowers. Take time for an informed talk and purchase some gifts from this magnificent gift shop. Welcome home to the South West, we hope you have enjoyed your wildflower encounter.

**KULIN BUSH RACES AND WAVE ROCK**

**Saturday 3rd October - Sunday 4th October 2015**

**2 Days, 1 Night**

**Cost Adults \$475, Seniors \$450, S/S \$70**

*Includes: Morning & afternoon teas, accommodation, lunch, dinner, breakfast, BYO 1 lunch*

**Day 1 Home – Hyden (D)**

Making our way through Williams and Narrogin to Wickipin which was formed in 1909 as a service centre for broadacre grain and sheep farming in the area. The shire covers an area of 198,900 hectares and includes the towns of Wickepin, Yealering, Harrismith and Tincurrin with a combined population of approximately 720 people. Wickepin is most famous for the homestead of Albert Facey, author of ‘A Fortunate Life’. Travel along the Tin Horse Highway to the award winning Kulin Bush Races. Much more than a day at the races, the weekend is an indulgence of spectacular scenery, art, crafts, novelty events, children’s entertainment, live bands and delicious country style food. It is a family orientated event, with activities and entertainment for all ages. Overnight at Hyden Motel

**Day 2 Hyden – Home (B/L)**

Discover the legends at Mulka Cave. Mulka was the illegitimate child of a forbidden love. The illegal union cursed the child & even though he was healthy, large & strong, he was born cross-eyed making him a crappy hunter, this is not so good if you’re a hunter-gatherer. Not being able to hunt well he eventually resorted to eating human children. Hippos Yawn and the Humps have a number of large granite rock formations and are located near Wave Rock one of Australia’s most famous landforms. This huge giant surf wave of multi coloured granite feels like its about to crash onto the bush below. Stand under it and feel rock power from over 2,700 million years ago, before dinosaurs roamed the earth. A guided tour will give you an insight of how the landscape was formed. Other features around Wave Rock are the Lace and Wildflower shop, Wildlife Park and an enormous collection of thousands of miniature toy soldiers. Take a siesta as we make our way home via Collie.



## GOLDEN CIRCLE KALGOORLIE, ESPERANCE, ALBANY

**Tuesday 3rd May - Sunday 8th May 2016**

**6 Days, 5 Nights**

**Cost Adults \$1600, Seniors \$1550, S/S \$430**

*Includes: Morning & afternoon teas, accommodation, lunch, dinner, breakfast, BYO 1 lunch*

### Day 1 Home – Merredin (L/D)

Setting out through the Wheatland's to Williams, visit the wool shop before travelling through the small towns of Corrigin and Bruce Rock. Stop off to view the largest wind farm in the Shire of Merredin which houses 127 wind turbines. Each turbine measures 130m in total height, and the farm will generate 267 megawatts of power, enough electricity to power 160,000 households and will save 1.1 million tonnes of greenhouse gases. Overnight in Merredin.

### Day 2 Merredin –Kalgoorlie (B/L/D)

Merredin is the largest regional centre in the Eastern Wheatbelt and has a population of around 3000. Start with an early morning tour of Merredin. Discover stories of the Golden Pipeline and visit the Military Museum to discover the role Merredin played during the war years.

We make our way through Mukinbudin to Bullfinch, which played a part in the goldmining era of the 1890s. In 1908 it was named Bullfinch after the large number of bird species found in the area. Through Southern Cross and on to Kerrilee Water Flume, an amazing water hole originally one of Hunts wells and then a watering point for the workers on the Kalgoorlie pipeline and the trains. Overnight in Kalgoorlie.

### Day 3 Kalgoorlie (B/D)

Experience the exciting days of the early gold rush, when men risked their lives to make their fortune in Kalgoorlie. Visit the Super Pit and Mt Charlotte reservoir where the Golden Pipeline delivers its lifesaving water. View beautiful Hammond Park with its bird aviaries and wildlife. The RFDS began as the dream of the Rev John Flynn, a minister with the Presbyterian Church. He witnessed the daily struggle of pioneers living in remote areas. Over the next few years, the RFDS began to expand across the country. The Western Australian Section was officially registered on June 14, 1936. Take a tour of this amazing facility. In Hay Street we visit Questa Casa Bordello. Overnight in Kalgoorlie.



### Day 4 Kalgoorlie –Esperance (B/L/D)

Depart through Boulder to Hannan's Lake, named after the famous Paddy Hannan who found the gold in Kalgoorlie, pass through the mining town of Kambalda to Lake Lefroy, a stunning salt lake standing out from its surrounds due to its pure white, illuminating colour and extreme lack of vegetation. It is a large salt pan that rarely contains water. Venture to the Red Hill Lookout for magnificent views of the dry lake and marvel in its vastness. The sun reflects off the salt often causing a mirage. Travel on through the small towns of Salmon gums and Grass Patch and onto Esperance

Overnight in Esperance.

### Day 5 Esperance –Albany (B/L/D)

French explorers are credited with making the first landfall near the present day town of Esperance, naming it and other local landmarks whilst sheltering from a storm in this area in 1792. The town itself was named after a French ship, the Espérance commanded by Bruni d'Entrecasteaux. Espérance, is French for 'hope'. The Shire has an area of 44,336 square kilometres, giving the region one of the lowest population densities to be found anywhere. It includes over 400 kilometres of coastline, ranging from gently undulating bays and the picturesque islands of the Recherche Archipelago to the spectacular cliffs of the Great Australian Bight. Jerramungup is an Aboriginal name meaning 'Place of the tall Yate Trees'. Today it produces sheep, wool, cattle and grains. Overnight at Albany

### Day 6 Albany –Home (B/L)

Depart on a Kalgan River Cruise with captain Kalgan and Cruise across the sheltered waters of Oyster Harbour and the Ancient Kalgan River. Bringing you closer to nature where you meet the Pelicans, see wildlife, giant sting rays and find out more about Albany and its history in 4 hours than some who live here all their life! What's under the boat? Have a look through the glass bottom and see. Indulge in some gourmet shopping as you travel homeward.



# Tour Calendar 2015/2016

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11	CASINO, WATERTOWN OR IKEA	1DAY	4
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14	YARLOOP AND HARVEY	1 DAY	5
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17	BUSSELTON, CHEESE, SILK, SHEARING & JETTY	1 DAY	8
26	AUSTRALIA DAY FIREWORKS BUNBURY	1DAY	9

## february

8	CASINO, WATERTOWN OR IKEA	1 DAY	4
12	WALPOLE WOW CRUISE CRUISE AND TREETOP WALK	1 DAY	9
23	MYSTERY TOUR	1DAY	9

## march

7	CASINO, WATERTOWN OR IKEA	1 DAY	4
12	WAGIN WOOLARAMA	1 DAY	9
16	ART AT COTTLESLOE BEACH	1 DAY	9
30	FREMANTLE PRISON, ARMY AND AVIATION	1 DAY	9

## april

11	CASINO, WATERTOWN OR IKEA	1 DAY	4
13	NEWSPAPER HOUSE, LAKES AND NURSERIES	1 DAY	9

## may

3-8	GOLDEN CIRCLE KALGOORLIE, ESPERANCE, ALBANY	6 DAYS	15
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