# HOLIDAY PLANNER

#### MUST SEE AND DO

Be amazed at the sights and have fun - any way you like!

#### WHAT'S ON

Plan a memorable visit to Mandurah around our events and festivals

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Hear from locals as they share their favourite Mandurah experiences ARRIVE at THE HEART

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Relax and indulge in food and wine on the outdoor terrace with a wide range of casual dining restaurants to choose from.



#### **EASY PARKING AND TRANSPORT**

of Perth, parking is easy, along with public transport access, taxi ranks and a ride sharing pick up zone.



#### **FAMILY FUN**

Indoor and outdoor playgrounds, a family-friendly food court.



# MANDURAH HERE TO MAKE MEMORIES

It's time to satisfy your pent-up desire to explore more.

And what better way to do that than with a trip to the sunny seaside,
brimming with activities on water, in nature.

We can't wait to welcome you to Mandurah, heart of the Peel Region in Western Australia





TO ENJOY THE MANDURAH
YOU'VE BEEN DREAMING ABOUT.

# HELLO FRIEND

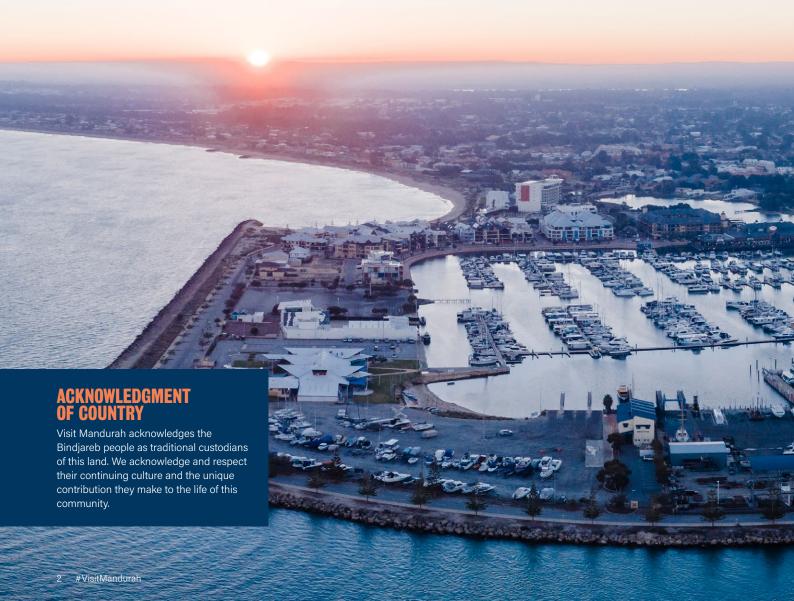
Whether you're a first-time visitor or a familiar friend, we welcome you with open arms. Being an hours' drive south of Perth – we're close enough to be an easy day out, and diverse enough for a mini-break or holiday away.

Sitting within the Peel, a region of stunning beaches, world-class natural beauty, an abundance of wildlife, cosmopolitan Mandurah is set against the beautiful Indian Ocean, surrounded by inland waterways.

There's award-winning waterfront dining, aquatic adventures, and a vibrant arts and culture scene.

And nowadays, hotels, restaurants, attractions and small businesses have made your visit their top priority to ensure that you'll feel right at home when you come and spend time here, in Mandurah.

Come experience the iconic sights, and all the things the locals love – the reason why they've chosen to wake up every morning in this great city of Mandurah.



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# MANDURAH'S TOP NOTCH SIGHTS AND ACTIVITIES



It's time to get excited about being out in Mandurah again. And why, you may ask? Because there is plenty to amuse and entertain you and we're itching to show you how we've grown into a destination of water wonderment.

You'll find there is a new level of adventure, a refreshed meaning to 'day-trip' with recent revamps and a tribe of new players to check out. Whether you want to see the sights from the Mandurah Estuary, discover a favourite with fresh eyes or explore the natural beauty of the region, here's more than a few suggestions to get you thinking and planning.

# RELEASE THE WATER-LOVER IN YOU

Spending time on the waterways is the most popular pastime in Mandurah, and joining a cruise is the best way to do this. **Mandurah Cruises** have a number of different tours available, all with commentary, some paired with locally made meals, and most paired with the opportunity to admire friendly, wild dolphins play alongside the vessel. There's even the chance to cruise on the ocean and inland waterways on a 1,400 horse power vessel on the Dolphin Island Adventure Cruise.

You can opt to explore the estuary, the canals and beyond at your own pace by organising a boat charter. **Soulmate Charters** offer a unique experience, it's all about family and friends spending quality time together and aptly achieved with personalised charters of 15 guests each time.

There's local operator Luxury Boutique Boat Charters Mandurah, a new, local and vibrant company worth considering for your next boat experience. Step aboard new 12 and 20 seat pontoon boats offering customised boat tours in Mandurah and surrounds.

If you are after something a little unique, how about a BBQ dining experience on the water with 360° views? **Eco BBQ Boats** are eco-friendly, self-driven boats for hire in Mandurah and are great things to do with family and friends.

Mandurah Boat & Bike Hire offers boats ranging from a four person dinghy up to a 20 person luxury charter pontoon and are conveniently located right in the heart of Mandjar Bay and close to the marina and venetian canals. Bicycles, kayaks, stand-up paddle boards, fishing rods and crabbing nets are also available for hire.

Star Surf + Skate are located right in the heart of Mandurah and have a great selection of stand up boards for hire, ideal for paddling through the canals and the calm inland waterways. It's owned by local surfer legend lan 'Wooly' Macpherson, who has been surfing in Mandurah since he was a little tacker. If he's not chasing the best break, he's teaching others how to surf and coaching aspiring pro surfers.



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If you are keen to learn more about the intricacies of the estuary, you can canoe, paddle or kayak your way along one of many paddle trails created purely to showcase the best by water. Salt and Bush Eco Tours can take you a little further inland to the Harvey, Serpentine and Murray Rivers on a guided kayak tour with easy foot peddled kayak. You can even try your hand at a sailing kayak, experiencing the wind blowing through your hair as you glide silently along the water with not a care in the world.

New to town is Mandurah Water Bikes, the coolest way to get around on the water - is by riding it. These catamaran cycles can be hired for a minimum of 30 minutes so you can cycle your way around Mandjar Bay, check out the amazing waterfront properties nearby and spend time with the playful dolphins.

Finding your favourite spot on the beach won't be hard with 60 kilometres of coastline between Mandurah and Preston Beach to choose from. Spend the day swimming or ride the waves at one of the many surfing spots, there is Surfing Pyramids, Tim's Thicket and Avalon Point to name a few.



#### **LET NATURE FIND YOU**

As soon as you arrive in Mandurah, you feel relaxed and get this instant holiday feeling. Why? Because in Mandurah, we're relaxed by nature.

Join a guided walking tour to take you through the wetlands and learn about the incredible, internationally significant Peel Yalgorup Wetlands System. Take in the spectacular views of the coast and lakes in Yalgorup National Park and visit the 2,000 year old thrombolite reef at Lake Clifton to see what life was like when the earth began. And don't forget your binoculars as this region is home to thousands of migratory shorebirds that feed and shelter in the wetlands from October to March.

If you stay a while, try holidaying on a houseboat, spending your days relaxing as you cruise along Mandurah's waterways and the Murray River. Mandurah Houseboats have a fleet of 14 houseboats to choose from. You can motor at a slow pace and soak in all your surroundings, even moor at the one of the popular restaurants or bars along the way to pop in for a bite to eat.

#### **IMMERSE IN CULTURE**

Along with the nature-laden experiences, and like many places, you also have history and heritage to get to know. Learn about the region's fascinating pioneering history at the Mandurah Community Museum and other museums and heritage precincts in the region. Explore historical sites and buildings for yourself on a self-guided heritage walking trail, or discover the stories, secrets and traditions of one of the oldest surviving cultures on earth on an Aboriginal culture and heritage tour.

You can visit significant sites of the Bindjareb People on the Bilya Country Story Trail. Or be led by Goolamwiin, an Aboriginal-owned

and operated tour company who takes you on a journey to hear yarns from Nyungar people about experiences of growing up on an Aboriginal reserve. Mandjoogoordap **Dreaming** walking and bus tours explore Mandurah too, their tours themed according to history and heritage, river, ocean and estuary plus dreaming.

Be enchanted by a live performance from visiting artists at the region's cultural hub, the Mandurah Performing Arts Centre. Or watch wall-to-wall cinema at Reading Cinemas- Mandurah.

Have fun taking photos with 3D art paintings on the Mandurah Instagram Trail or admire the artworks created by talented, local artists on prominent buildings, in galleries and studios throughout the region.

#### **TOURS NOT JUST FOR TOURISTS**

Joining a guided or self-minded day tour is a beaut way to learn a little more about Mandurah. Whether you want to hear more about the township or admire the natural beauty of the Peel, you'll be lead in the right direction by a trusted local on a well-planned touring itinerary.

Explore the great outdoors and learn about our waterways and wildlife on a guided walking tour with Ways to Nature. Tours are operated by local zoologist Sarah Way, around the beautiful reserves of the Peel-Yalgorup Wetlands

For boutique and personalised tours, Salt and Bush Eco Tours take people on intimate nature walks and kayak tours, even star gazing tours. Naturalist guides Jamie and Base will share the wonder and awe of the natural world through geology, wildflower, kayaking and sailing tours.





Epic Day Tours take the wellbeing of their clientele seriously and offer memorable experiences to suit their customers. They'll show you beautiful spots and secret places most loved by locals. While Kaleidoscope Tours offer a full range of tours, focusing on good food and wine and sightseeing in between each stop.

And **Wannadoo Tours** specialises in day and extended tours for senior and mature travellers, proving popular in wildflower season pairing a lovely day out flower spotting with a delicious lunch.

If you want to experience the freedom of the open water, then try jet ski hire on an estuary tour with **Stag Watersports Jet Ski Hire**. They operate from a beautiful location on the pristine waters of the Harvey Estuary, with a three-seater, four-stroke jet ski. All tours are self-drive, accompanied by one of their experienced instructors on their own ski and are a sure way to get the adrenaline pumping.

#### **FISH OF SORTS**

Get hooked on fishing by casting a line from the beach or along the estuary or join a fishing charter for tips from local experts. Skills2Fish have experienced instructors and fishing guides that can tailor beach, estuary and freshwater fishing trips for you for small group or half day fishing adventures. Port Bouvard Charters also offer full day fishing trips with a spritely 7am start out from Port Bouvard Marina and out through the Dawesville Cut.

Catch, learn and indulge in western rock lobster on a Wild Seafood Experience Cruise with **Mandurah Cruises**, or go scooping in shallow waters for Mandurah's famous blue manna crabs between December and July, we're sure the locals will be doing the same!

### TRAIL BLAZING THROUGH MANDURAH

Get out there and away from it all by bicycle or mountain bike to explore and find all sorts of adventures. Hire a bike with Mandurah Boat & Bike Hire or an eBike from The Bike Kiosk at the Mandurah Visitor Centre and tour Mandurah, along the coast or in the forest on family friendly cycling paths. There are many cycling trails to choose from that vary in difficulty, but are sure to guide you through the most scenic places.

If you prefer to go by foot, there's a trail to suit you too, with nature trails in Mandurah and all throughout the Peel Region. Most are under 10 kilometres in length, making for a lovely morning or afternoon hike.

#### **JUST FOR KIDS**

There are two special trains in Mandurah, that are fit for kids of any age. Run by the **Mandurah Tourist Fun Train Company**, meet Mini Toot the friendly miniature train and Big Toot, a hop on/hop off tour for all ages.

Touring Mandurah by train can be fun, and so is by **Pirate Ship** too! Say ahoy as you cruise Mandurah's waterways on an open air Pirate Ship, it's a fun tour of role-playing and commentary of different sorts.

King Carnival is located on the beautiful Mandurah foreshore, and offers classic carnival rides and mini golf too. The Ferris Wheel has been there for over 60 years and boasts fantastic views of the estuary and has seen some great events over the years, particularly in summer.

Explore 70 miniature buildings with several interactive model trains at **Amaze Miniature Park**. There are great examples of scale models and replicas of Abingdon Village (the oldest continually inhabited town in England) and parts of the United Kingdom, Germany and France.



#### **GOLF ANYONE?**

Tee off by the ocean or amongst kangaroos grazing on fairways surrounded by bushland. Mandurah Country Club is nestled between the Indian Ocean and the Peel Estuary and provides some magnificent views from the Clubhouse and no golfer should miss. The Cut Golf Course, it's ranked on Rolex's World's Top 1,000 list and among Australia's top 25 courses and Meadow Springs Golf and Country Club offers a golf experience in the open bushland, with spectacular sunsets over the ancient Tuart trees. Further inland is the Pinjarra Golf Club, established in 1912, it hosts annual golfing events including the Ladies Amateur Open and Men's Amateur Open and the WA 2 Ball Ambrose Championships.

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#### **GO SHOPPING**

Mandurah retailers are focussing on sustainability and promoting local, sharing wares that represent their home and their personality, brushed with the salty sea breeze and holiday feel of Mandurah. You'll find boutiques with an indie feel, and shops with a myriad of homewares plus there are art and craft studios scattered around the place so you can take home your favourite pieces of Mandurah. Try Creative Aquarius for gifts and home décor, or hop from one art studio to another to pick up a locally made piece.

On the weekend, check out the **Mandjar** Markets, where local artisans sell beautiful handmade goods, including arts, crafts and delicious hand-held morsels.

#### FRESHEN UP AND SPA THE DAY AWAY

There are moments when you just need to pamper yourself a little, when you need to pep up and freshen up. You're in good hands in Mandurah, and can pick a pamper at either Eco Spa, Mandurah Mobile Massage Therapy, Mi Bella Beauty Spa or Boutique Massage Studio.

#### **DINING OUT RIGHT**

Experience the laid-back lifestyle of a seaside town as you enjoy a drink or dine at one of Mandurah's waterfront cafés, bars or restaurants. There's hard to miss views from Brewvino, the Stage Door Waterfront Restaurant and the Peninsula Bar and Restaurant overlooking Mandjar Bay.

Enjoy fine dining on freshly caught, local seafood at the award-winning Redmanna Waterfront Restaurant, Flics Kitchen and Samudera. Or feast on the favourite and good old-fashioned fish and chips at Sharky's - they know their fish.

You might want to just picnic in the fresh open air and we know just the place - Mandurah's Eastern Foreshore overlooking the beautiful Mandjar Bay is an ideal spot. Try an award-winning pie from Miami Bakehouse, they are loved by locals and passing road trippers alike, or head to Silk Thai located close to the foreshore, plating up authentic Thai food.

For something wholesome and down-right satisfying, try the Pipers Inn Mandurah - Western Australia's only authentic and traditional Scottish bars or Murphy's Irish Pub for a hearty meal and entertainment, every night of the week. There's the Cut Tavern Bar and Bistro for your typical sports bar and tavern setting and the City of Mandurah RSL for veterans.

Three Rivers Brewing Company is a small, family-owned microbrewery producing a beer range made only from water, malt, hops and yeast. You might also find extra ingredients in there such as coriander and citrus but none of the bad stuff like additives and preservatives. It's one of the venues listed on the Craft Beer and Wine Trail along with other local craft beers and boutique wines.

Groundswell Drivethru Coffee make your love for coffee great. Their coffee



beans are wood fired and the milk is delivered from local farmers in North Dandalup, plus they have a convenient drive through and pre-order service too.

Mataya Eatery is all about creating fresh and equally wholesome food, sourcing seasonal, fresh produce to create a menu to be proud of. Frisky Deer Café have great coffee and even more delicious homemade cakes, along with a beautifully curated collection of homewares and giftware. Take our word on it, the dining scene has a lot to offer.

**Boundary Island Brewery** is a new addition to Mandurah's craft beer scene with an awesome waterfront location, and it's accessible from the water too. The brewpub is the heart of the complex, making for a top spot to connect with mates over a craft beer.

Peel Estate Wines is another homegrown favourite, nestled between protected wetlands and the estate's vineyard and great for a picnic on the grounds. Wines are available for tasting with a focus on Shiraz, Cabernet Sauvignon, Zinfandel, Chardonnay, Verdelho, Chenin Blanc and sparkling wines.

You could also visit Stakehill Estate Winery in Karnup, a boutique winery producing traditional, fruit and chilli wines in a variety of heat levels.



Experience the best of Western Australia's incredible natural environment with Mandurah Cruises. There's a cruise for everyone exploring Mandurah's vast, calm inland waterways. Choose from a 1 hour Dolphin & Scenic Marine Cruise, relaxing half day Murray River Lunch Cruise, famous Christmas Lights Cruise, luxe Wild Seafood Experience, stunning Sunset Cruise, scrumptious High Tea Cruise, OR hire an Eco BBQ Boat or waterbike.

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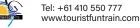
#### **MANDJAR MARKETS**

Sunday art & craft markets

Mandurah's Premier waterfront markets located on the picturesque Eastern Foreshore. Sundays 9:00am to 3:00pm October to May(please check our Facebook page for updates on trading dates).Quality Handmade Arts & Crafts, Gourmet Goodies, Children's activities and Live Entertainment. There's something for everyone at Mandjar Markets.

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# ONE DAY IN MANDURAH



Longer, sunnier days in Mandurah inspire bursts of energy to get out and enjoy every moment of beautiful daylight — whether a cruise on the shimmering waterways, a relaxing walk through the wetlands, a bike ride along the beach or an extended drinks and lunch sitting. Let us inspire you with seasonal day trip ideas, or short break itineraries.



#### **FAMILY FUN**

#### 8:30am

Get coffee on the go and a baked treat to snack on

#### 10am

Purchase an all-day hop on/hop off train ticket to board the Spirit of Mandurah.

#### 11am

Take a cruise on a Pirate Ship through the estuary and marinas of Mandurah

#### 12pm

Lunch by the foreshore or Mandurah Ocean Marina

#### 2pm

Head to the Western Foreshore for some chill time at Mandurah Skate Park

#### 4nm

Walk Mandurah's Instagram Trail and spot the 3D art along the way

#### 5:30pm

Head for the beach nearby for delicious fish and chips



#### **EAT AND DRINK**

#### 8am

Breakfast in Mandurah, take your pick from the trendy cafes scattered about

#### 9am

Be guided on a food and wine tour for the day so you can sit back and enjoy, or trot off to follow the Craft Beer and Wine Trail – it won't disappoint

#### 5pm

Watch the sun set and the bay turn golden over a few pre-dinner cocktails

#### 7pm

Dinner by the foreshore in one of the many acclaimed restaurants – view and all!





#### 8am

Choose a spot at the Mandurah Marina for breakfast

Pick up the Mandurah Art Trail Walk and be led by incredible local works into town

Jump on a Murray River Lunch Cruise for a glorious day of cruising

Head south to a reserve or park for a picnic by the beach or BBQ at the park

Visit Lake Clifton and the Thrombolites

#### 7:30pm

Join a Nocturnal Tour at Island Point Reserve to see wildlife come alive by night



# AQUATIC AND COASTAL



Relax with coffee by the beach, there are plenty of cafes to choose from

Stroll your favourite beach - what is yours?

#### 10am

Hire a waterbike or BBQ eco boat for a cruise on water of a different kind

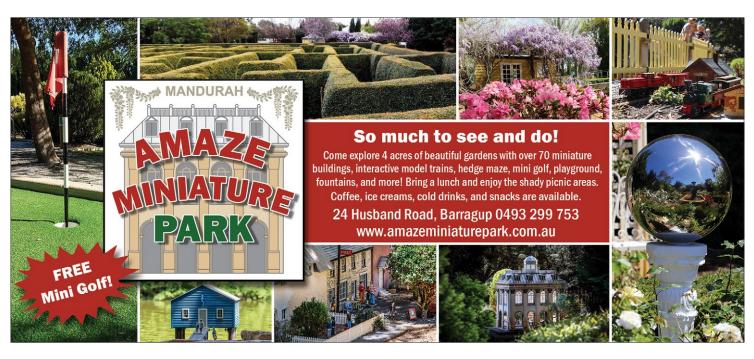
#### 12pm

Choose from a number of venues for lunch with views at Mandjar Bay

Hire a stand up paddle board in town then head to your favourite spot on the estuary, near the wetlands, on the river or bay

#### 5pm

Spending the day with friends? Charter a boat for a memorable tapas and sunset cruise



# JUST RELAX AND EXPLORE



There are plenty of coastal, forest and urban adventures to keep everyone in the family entertained and you are bound to discover what holiday memories are made of during your next stay in Mandurah

With so many accommodation options to choose from,
Mandurah is the perfect place to base yourself to explore further afield. There's something to suit all tastes and budgets - a choice of hotels, caravan and camping sites, charming bed and breakfasts, self-contained apartments, and even houseboats for hire.



#### PLACES TO CALL MANDURAH HOME FOR A NIGHT OR TWO

- The Sebel Mandurah
- Seashells Mandurah
- Dolphin Quay Apartments
- Silver Sands Resort
- Avalon Beach House at Port Bouvard
- Silver Sands Snuggery
- Bali@Avalon
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- Mandurah Quay Resort

- Marina Canals Apartment
- Madora Bay Beach House
- Marina View Chalets
- Mandurah Motel & Apartments
- Mandurah Ocean Marina Chalets
- Atrium Hotel
- Mandurah Foreshore Motel
- Mandurah Family Resort
- Ibis Park Farmstay

You can also choose from a number of holiday and caravan parks, see more on page 29.





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#### **DOLPHIN OUAY APARTMENTS**

#### Accommodation overlooking the marina

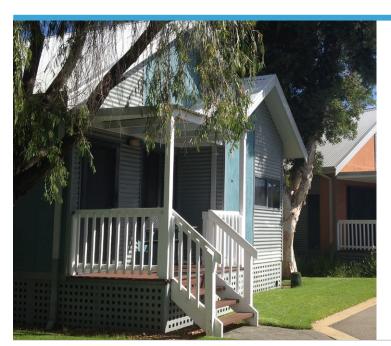
Dolphin Quay Apartments features 4.5 star accommodation overlooking Mandurah's beautiful Marina. Apartments are fully self contained. Perfectly located near the bars and eateries of the Marina precinct and the boat harbour for those who don't wish to cook.

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#### MANDURAH OCEAN MARINA CHALETS

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Restaurants, cinemas, cafes, town centre, shopping, fishing, crabbing, bike and boat hire are all close by.

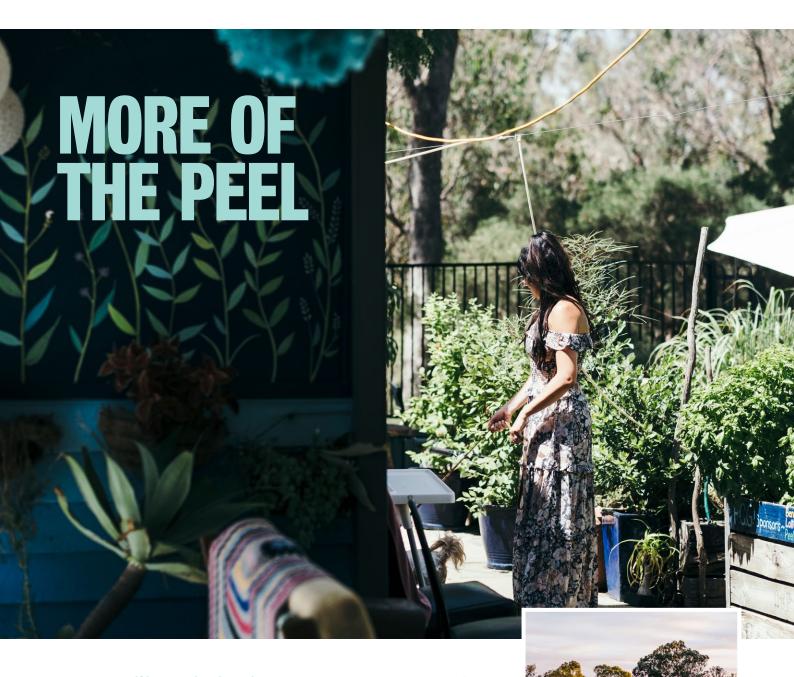
Have a meal or coffee at one of the many restaurants and cafes overlooking the marina or cook a meal in your fully equipped kitchen.

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Take a cruise to see the sights & dolphins nearby at the Boardwalk.

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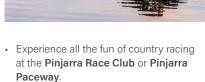


Base yourself in Mandurah and explore more of the Peel Region, and learn more on what makes each place unique.

#### PINJARRA AND DWELLINGUP

Considered an adventure capital, Dwellingup will get you back to nature with year-round, abundant trails and activities while Pinjarra remains a centre of history and heritage.

- · Step back in time on a forest, steam or restaurant train with the Hotham Valley Railway.
- Swing and climb at Adventurescape in South Yunderup or Trees Adventure in Dwellingup.
- · Visit Lane Poole Reserve, a popular spot for picnicking and swimming.
- · Walk the nature trails of Dwellingup via a self-guided tour or hire a canoe from Dwellingup Adventures to paddle the Dwellingup river systems.
- Dine at the delightful Jarra Infusion café in Pinjarra for modern food made from local ingredients.
- Cruise the Murray River and stop for lunch at one of the many riverside venues, most with Sunday afternoon live music.



- Learn the history of the region by visiting Old Blythewood, Edenvale Homestead and Fairbridge Village or on a tour at Bindjareb Park.
- Cycle or hike part of the Munda Biddi Cycle Trail or Bibbulmun Track walking trail.







#### **SERPENTINE & JARRAHDALE**

You'll be surrounded by tranquil scenery, can visit a gentle waterfall, discover historical sites and explore Australiana forests in Serpentine and Jarrahdale.

- Take a dip in the natural pool at Serpentine Falls or spend the day at Serpentine Dam. Have a picnic or barbecue and spot birds and wildlife while you enjoy the beautiful scenery of the Darling Scarp.
- · See the views of Perth and Mandurah from Baldwin's Bluff, a large granite outcrop at the end of Baldwin's Bluff Nature Track.
- · Learn the history of Jarrahdale on a guided walk with the Jarrahdale Heritage Society and by visiting the small museum in the old post office.
- Delight in the wonderful wildflowers in spring.
- See how families lived in the early 1900's at Whitnish Cottage in Jarrahdale or be fascinated by vintage farm machinery at Hugh Manning Tractor Museum, Serpentine.

#### WAROONA

You'll find fertile farmland and beautiful forests in Waroona and diverse experiences in each.

- · Swim, fish, canoe, picnic, bushwalk and birdwatch at Drakesbrook Weir or Lake Navarino.
- Explore the coastal, lake and bush trails including Heathlands, Lake Preston and Lake Pollard.
- Discover Waroona's gardens, trees and structures covered with knitting and crocheted art during Waroona Yarn Bomb from November to January.
- Feel the wind in your hair as you 4WD along Preston Beach.
- Sample local wines at Drakesbrook Fine Wines and Lake Clifton Winery cellar doors. Or just outside Waroona Shire try Vineyard 28 or Cape Bouvard Winery & Brewery.

#### **BODDINGTON**

Nestled between rolling hills of forests and the banks of the Hotham River, Boddington combines country charm with wide open spaces.

- Be dwarfed by giant trucks hauling loads from the pit to the processing plant to be turned into gold.
- Meet real cowboys and enjoy all the thrills and spills at the Boddington Lions Rodeo, held annually on the first Saturday in
- Explore the countryside on the Tullis Bridge Walk Trail and take in the magnificent vistas.
- Get to know the locals, soak up the country charm and enjoy a delicious meal at one of the local cafés.
- Take a stroll to Ranford Pool, relax under the paperbark trees, enjoy a swim or canoe past the old pumping station for the Tannin Extracts Factory.



With an estuary twice the size of Sydney Harbour, and a collection of winding rivers, pretty lakes and long stretches of coastline. why wouldn't you immerse vourself in Mandurah's water life?

#### **CRUISE THE ESTUARY** YOUR WAY

The Mandurah Estuary, Peel-Harvey Estuary and the region's many lakes, rivers and conservation reserves form the Peel-Yalgorup Wetland System. This diverse eco-system is not only a habitat for many plant and animal species, it also provides great spots for swimming, fishing, canoeing and boating plus other aquatic fun.

You can learn the intricacies of the marine environment as you tour the canals, estuary and wetlands by boat. A cruise with Mandurah Cruises will not disappoint. There are plenty of options to suit your liking, you just need to choose your favourite between dolphin cruises, foodie cruises, seafood experiences and spectacular Christmas lights cruises.

How about a tour with the Captain on a pirate ship full of swashbuckling buccaneers? Adults and children can say Aye, Captain! Together on the Pirate Ship Mandurah.

If you want to explore the waterways at your own pace you can hire a boat from Mandurah Boat & Bike Hire. Dinghies, pontoon boats and luxury boats are available for hire from an hour up to a full day. And for these, a skipper's ticket is not required.

Another leisurely way to explore is on a selfdrive, circular boat from Eco BBQ Boats, where you can cook a barbecue or enjoy a picnic with friends on board as you float around the marina and canals.

Mandurah Boat Hire offers customised trips aboard their luxury 16 and 20 seater pontoons. The boats are ideal for fishing, crabbing, swimming, sightseeing or just leisurely cruising among the dolphins or birdlife.

Soulmate Charters takes personalised trips of no more than 12 guests so you can truly immerse yourself in the natural beauty of the waterways and admire the wildlife with friends and family.

Paddling over Mandjar Bay, Mandurah Estuary and through the canals in the early morning or late afternoon is a popular pastime. The sheltered waters at Dawesville, the man-made beach and Dolphin Pool at Dolphin Quay, Town Beach, Mandurah Ocean Marina and Falcon Bay Beach make it a pleasant ride out on a paddle board.

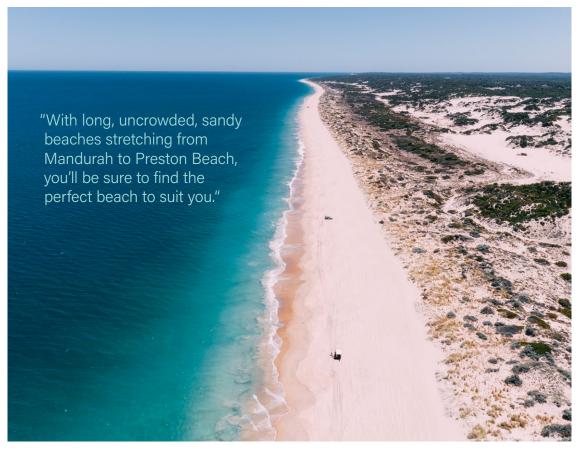
If a canoe or kayak is more your style, Mandurah Boat & Bike Hire and Star Surf + Skate, offer watercraft hire with lessons available too. Jet ski/water ski are permitted anywhere along the coast, Mandurah Estuary and Dawesville Foreshore, you can hit up Stag Watersports for jet ski hire and tours the next time you are in town.

New for 2022, Be Yoga offers an experience of combining traditional yoga practice with stand up paddle boarding. Whether you are a paddle boarder, a vogi or neither, Be Yoga will cater for all. Step out of your comfort zone and give it a try.

The Murray River flows through Lane Poole Reserve in Dwellingup, this is a collective of many swimming holes and fishing spots. In winter, you can experience the Murray River white water rafting with **Dwellingup** Adventures, but year round, the inland lakes and rivers are all suitable for paddling and canoeing.

The Hotham, Murray and Serpentine Rivers have plenty of fishing spots, are lovely to explore by boat and canoe, or walk along the banks and enjoy a picnic. You can be guided by Mandurah Cruises on a lunch cruise on the Murray River, while learning about Aboriginal history and watching local bottlenose dolphins play. Or you could even hire a fully-equipped houseboat from Mandurah Houseboats for something truly memorable.





#### **TOP BEACHES FOR FAMILIES, SURFERS & PADDLERS ALIKE**

Our pristine, uncrowded beaches are playgrounds for all ages and interests. With long, uncrowded, sandy beaches stretching from Mandurah to Preston Beach, you'll be sure to find the perfect beach to suit you.

Town Beach is close to Mandurah's marina and is only a short stroll from the city centre. It's great for families with a surf lifesaving lookout operating in summer, as like San Remo, north of Mandurah patrolled by Mandurah Surf Life Saving Club and accompanied by a café. Halls Head, Doddi's and Blue Bay are less than a ten minute drive south of the city centre and they have convenient parking and toilet facilities, and cafés nearby.

If you are looking for something more sheltered, Dolphin Quay by the Mandurah Ocean Marina has a man-made beach, a playground close by plenty of restaurants and accommodation in easy reach. And don't forget the water fun at Mandurah Recreation and Aquatic Centre, it's a great place for the kids to swim and play.

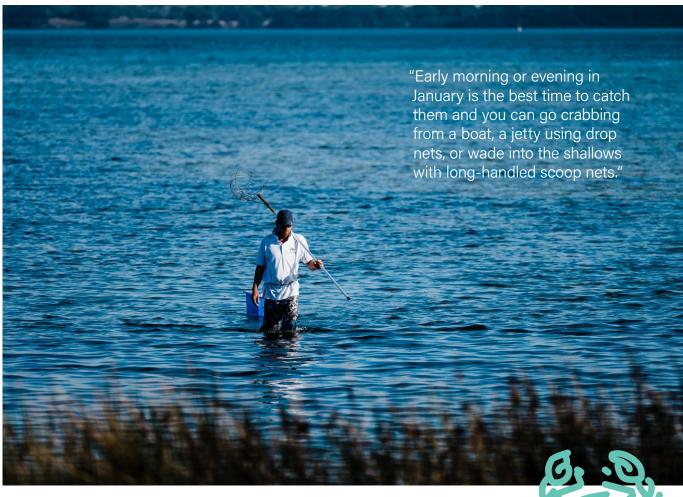
Wanting to take your pooch for a walk along the beach? Silver Sands has sections where dogs are allowed on and off the leash, this is an ideal spot for dog lovers.



Falcon and Avalon Bay are a little bit further south and are considered two of the best beaches in Mandurah with parking, toilets, and cafés nearby. Preston Beach, a 45-minute drive south of Mandurah is perfect for a holiday with accommodation and a café right by the beach.

When it comes to wave seeking, Surfing Pyramids, Tim's Thicket and Avalon Point are frequented by surfers and there are many beaches north and south that have manmade groins for shelter and smaller waves. We hear these are great conditions for boogie boarding! With most beaches along the coast ideal for kitesurfing and windsurfing.

You can go scuba diving at Bouvard Reef between Bouvard and Preston Beach; it has a divers array of marine life and reef fish to admire. And at James Service Reef, there is a shipwreck that creates a wonderful man-made reef for exploration. It lies approximately eight kilometres north west of the Mandurah Estuary.



#### JOIN MANDURAH'S LOVE FOR 'BLUEY'

Blue swimmer crabs are native to Mandurah, and the area is renowned for its excellent crabbing. You'll see the blue swimmer crab make an appearance in many art pieces across the city and we celebrate crabbing each year through the **Mandurah Crab Fest** event.

You can dive for crabs or use drop nets from boats, but most prefer walking along the shoreline with wire scoop nets. Close to 100 tonnes of crab a year is landed by commercial fishers, with most of the catch sold locally. Similarly, recreational fishers would catch the same amount.

As the weather warms up for summer, crabbing season opens on 1 December. By January the Peel-Harvey Estuary is swimming with full size crabs ready to be caught.

Early morning or evening in January is the best time to catch them and you can go crabbing from a boat, a jetty using drop nets, or wade into the shallows with long-handled scoop nets.

You don't need a license to catch crabs, however they can only be caught from 1 December to 31 July and there are minimum size and bag limit regulations. If you are on a boat, you will need a 'fishing from boat' licence. Go to fish.wa.gov.au for full details. A crab size guide is available for purchase from the Mandurah Visitor Centre during crabbing season.

#### **CASTING A LINE**

Fish for herring, sand whiting, bream, cobbler, tailor, or garfish in the Mandurah Estuary. In season you can fish for salmon and tailor on the beach, and the Dawesville Cut is the best place to catch King George whiting. If you forget your gear, don't worry, fishing and crabbing gear can be hired from Mandurah Boat & Bike Hire or Mandurah Boat Hire. Just remember, a licence is required for freshwater and boat fishing, this can be obtained via fish.wa.gov.au.

You can catch trout and redfin all year in Lake Navarino/Waroona Dam and Drakesbrook Weir in Waroona. In the Murray River you can fish for black bream, mulloway and whiting. Upstream, the river has been stocked with trout. At Preston Beach, fish for whiting, herring, skippy and salmon (when they run) straight from the beach.

Why not learn tips and tricks from the pros and get access to the best spots to catch seafood on a tour? **Mandurah Cruises** offer seafood and fishing tours where you can catch your own blue swimmer crab, pull up a western rock lobster or cast out for a dhufish, snapper, samson or baldchin groper.

Port Bouvard Charters offer full day fishing charters for experienced and novice fishers and Skills2Fish in Mandurah provide fishing clinics for kids and guided beach fishing excursions.



#### **HANDY CONTACTS**

#### mybeach.com.au

Find beaches near you with Surf Life Saving Patrols

#### transport.wa.gov.au

Learn more about recreational boating rules and information

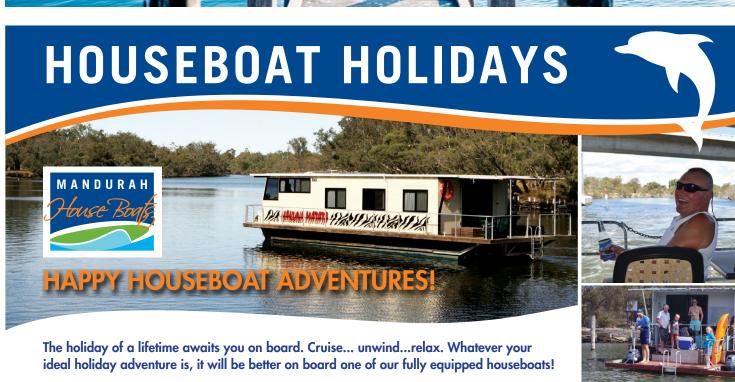
#### fish.wa.gov.au

Keep recreational fishing rules, bag size and limits and seasonal closures on hand

#### RecFishWest App

Use the app to find out up to date crabbing and fishing rules, size and bag limits, locations and information





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# THE TRAIL LESS TRAVELLED: A LOCAL'S LOOK ON MANDURAH



Mandurah is relaxed by nature. And it's not hard to see why.

Less than an hour's drive from Perth you'll find Western Australia's largest regional city. But it's not the size that attracts visitors to this coastal town. Just ask Myrianthe Riddy, owner of Mandurah Cruises. She's travelled and worked all over the world, but the place she chose to call home is Mandurah.

#### Why Mandurah?

I arrived in WA in 2016 with my young family from Qatar in search of a sea change. I was instantly drawn to Mandurah because of its laid back vibes, warmth and the natural beauty of its waterways.

My husband and I were looking for somewhere we could raise our children. After working many years in the oil and gas industry overseas, we wanted to shake up our lifestyle and have more flexibility to spend time with our kids.

We knew we wanted to run our own business. My husband had boating in his blood, and we love being on the water. An opportunity to purchase **Mandurah Cruises** was too good to pass up and we've been here ever since.

What I love about Mandurah is the sense of community and connectedness – regardless if you're a resident or just visiting. Everyone here is so friendly and makes you feel welcomed, it's just so easy and relaxing.

#### Get in touch with nature

Mandurah's waterways are twice the size of Sydney Harbour! It's hard to explain the feeling when you're out there, the waters are calm, it's very peaceful and deserted (except for the dolphins). You get the sense you've been transported to another place.

I always feel safe taking my kids out on the water here. Living within walking distance of the beach is great too, and Mandurah has some great surfing spots that don't get too crowded. It's the best place to learn how to surf – the surf program here is first class.

Mandurah is home to around 100 bottlenose dolphins. They're such a playful and friendly bunch that you'll often spot them getting up to mischief while on one of our dolphin cruises. They especially love to surf alongside the vessel! I have a soft spot for Nicky. She's the matriarch of the dolphins and the most recognisable due to her cut-off fin.

#### Beach or bush?

Although I love being on the water and the amazing beaches that stretch for miles, I do enjoy taking time out going bush, exploring the national parks and discovering the many walking trails. My favourite trail is at Island Point Reserve. It's at the far end of the estuary and it's a great area to explore – even after dark on a guided nocturnal walk.



#### My tips on where to head out

The foodie scene here is constantly evolving and it's hard to keep up! My go-to places for a coffee are **Mataya** and **Samudera**. Without fail, I always order the gnocchi at **Flic's Kitchen** and if I'm heading out with friends, you're sure to find me at **Bar Therapy**. I also can't wait to try the new distillery popping up soon, **Little Stiller**.

#### Favourite time of the year?

If you had to pick a time to visit, come during the festive season. The city embraces Christmas like you wouldn't believe. The Mandurah canals come alive with Christmas lights. It's an experience unlike any other, and I would go as far to say we're one of the only places in the world where residents put on such a massive display on the water. We have thousands of visitors who come especially to see the spectacle every year on our Christmas Lights Cruise.

To start planning your trip to Mandurah head to visitmandurah.com



Don't forget the family's mini members! Kids of all ages will have something to learn, discover, experience or ride. You can keep them entertained with a number of attractions in Mandurah and fun things to do within the Peel Region.

#### **ENTERTAIN THE KIDS ON A CRUISE**

Exploring Mandurah isn't half as fun unless you head out on a boat cruise. Join a cruise with Mandurah Cruises and learn all about the marine environment as you tour the canals, estuary and wetlands.

AHOY there, me hearties! What's this? Pirates in Mandurah? Join 'Pete Blackbeard' and his buckos at Pirate Ship Mandurah for a fun day out on the water. It's an open air vessel where kids can dress as pirates, steer the wheel, ring the bell and look through telescopes. It's pirate role playing at its best!

# GET ADVENTUROUS ON THE WATER

Step it up a notch with a jet ski tour with Stag Watersports Jet Ski Hire. Or explore at a slightly slower pace by hiring a hire a boat, paddleboard or kayak in Mandurah.

Make a splash in Mandurah's magnificent new estuary pool due to open December 2021 and part of the \$22m foreshore development in Mandurah.

Step aboard a sleek catamaran cycle from Mandurah Waterbikes, and cruise Mandjar Bay by waterbike. These can be hired for 30 minutes or an hour, giving you a fresh perspective on Mandurah.

You can fish from the estuary or with experts on a Skills2Fish tour, or you can always try your hand at crabbing in the shallow waters of the estuary within crabbing season too. If the kids are interested in sailing, you can also learn how to sail at one of the Mandurah Offshore Fishing and Sailing Club clinics that are held throughout the year.

#### CYCLE TRACKS AND TRAILS

A great and easy way to get out and explore with the kids. Mandurah has good cycle paths around the city centre, marina and along the coast. You can enjoy the effortless experience of an eBike with The Bike Kiosk, based at the Mandurah Visitor Centre. It's the latest addition to Mandurah's raft of things to do, making it even more fun to get out and about on two wheels.

There are also family-friendly forest cycle trails throughout the region and don't forget the Munda Biddi Trail a world-class off-road cycling track running through Dwellingup.



#### **EXPLORER OF THE WETLANDS**

The internationally significant Peel-Yalgorup Wetlands System is a habitat for a vast number of birds, animal and plant species. You can explore and spot wildlife by the many walking trails, reserves and viewing platforms and you'll see information signs to help children learn about this vital eco-system along the way.

Ways to Nature in Mandurah offers guided walking tours of the wetlands, where you will learn what makes them and the wildlife that live there so special. Or you can join Salt and Bush Eco Tours on a great day out in nature looking for orchids, wildflowers or a guided kayak tour.

To really get away from the hustle and bustle, take the family for a holiday on the water and completely unwind as you slowly meander through the waterways on a Mandurah Houseboat.





#### PLAYING IN PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS

There are plenty of urban parks and playgrounds to choose from.

**Adventurescape**, South Yunderup. A large farm themed park with mazes, climbing frames, slides and swings.

**Bill Bowler Skate Park**, Mandurah's Western Foreshore. Has a shaded picnic area, enclosed safe swimming area and skate park.

**Cantwell Park**, Pinjarra. An extensive playground with toddler area and flying fox by the Murray River.

Caterpillar Park, Mandurah. A fully fenced playground with low-level play obstacles for younger children and a BMX track next door.

**Disc Golf, Hall Park**, Mandurah. Players throw a disc into a metal basket. Discs are available for free hire from the **Mandurah Visitor Centre**.

Keith Holmes Reserve and Beach, Dolphin Quay. A playground by the sheltered beach.

**Mandurah Eastern Foreshore**. A large, shaded playground with free barbecues.

**Osprey Waters**, Erskine. An eco-focused park with mazes, climbing structures and walking trails.

**Pirate Park**, Halls Head. A small pirate themed park close to the beach.

**Quarry Adventure Park**, Meadow Springs. An adventure playground designed for exploring.

Novara Foreshore Playground, Falcon. Mandurah's newest adventure playground with custom built nature play features, including a six metre high climbing structure, accessible swings, and, in a first for Western Australia, a Miram which is a skate-style play element for older children/youth.

#### **FUN INDOORS**

The age-old statement of more fun outdoors is rivalled with Mandurah's kid-friendly indoor play centres. Take the kids for a bounce around at Inflatable World or Flip Out Mandurah Indoor Trampoline Park or scale a wall at the Mandurah Indoor Rock Climbing Centre. The Mandurah Aquatic and Recreation Centre provides fun and safe outdoor and indoor swimming pools for families. Now that's a whole lot of under-cover fun.

## TOURS AND ACTIVITIES THAT ARE A LITTLE BIT DIFFERENT

Pick up the **Dudley Dolphin Outdoor Adventure Journal** from the **Mandurah Visitor Centre** for a fun way to explore the outdoors. Be a birdwatching detective, take a wetland wander, learn about bush tucker, log dolphins spotted and go on a geocaching pirate treasure hunt.

The Mandurah Community Museum provides information and exhibits on the history of Mandurah. Kids can visit many of the places featured with the Here's Where I Live map available from the museum or Mandurah Visitor Centre.

Kids can get creative at **Peel Pottery Studio** in Halls Head by making their own unique piece to take home.

The Roger May Tractor Museum at Edenvale Homestead in Pinjarra has hands-on vintage machinery in working order that the kids can try. The Serpentine Tractor Museum is also worth a visit.

Trees Adventure in Dwellingup is a tree rope obstacle course the whole family can enjoy, offering nine different levels and over 20 flying foxes. Dare Adventures in Dwellingup and the Fairbridge Village Adventure Course in Pinjarra are outdoor adventure camps, also with a range of activities especially for kids.

**Treesure Hunting** is an interactive adventure game app exclusive to **Trees Adventure**, Lane Poole Reserve, Dwellingup. Follow the game's map to find hidden codes, discover interactive challenges, and learn about the forest.

The Forest Discovery Centre in Dwellingup is a great way to get back to nature. Enjoy forest walks, a viewing platform, nature play, art and craft tables, microscopes, a touch table and creative workshops. A fun way to get to there is to follow the footprints and emu character artworks from the Blue Wren Café in Dwellingup.

**Langford Hill Riding Farm**, Waroona. Runs riding lessons every second Saturday and camps during school holidays.

The **Nature Play** website has activities and events in Western Australia to encourage children to play outdoors and in nature. Visit natureplaywa.org.au

#### AMUSEMENT PARKS AND RIDES

Appeasing the imaginations of those big and small, there are 70 adorable miniature buildings and model trains at **Amaze Miniature Park**. It is set among four acres of beautifully manicured gardens along with mini golf, a hedge maze and a playground.

And from very small to very tall, you can jump aboard the **King Carnival** Ferris wheel or tower ride or have a go on the dodgem cars and amusement arcade. It's a great day of fun for kids of all ages.



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#### **ANIMAL ENCOUNTERS**

There's no doubt you will come across one of Australia's most popular dolphin populations when you come to Mandurah, they are easy to spot when on a boat cruise, but there's every chance you will see them when strolling along the water's edge.

To learn about over 100 species of birds and animals, including the Tasmanian devil, head to Ranger Red's Zoo in Pinjarra. You should check out the Zookeeper 4 a Day program too - where kids can work at the zoo and take on various, but important zookeeper duties.

You can also visit Cohunu Koala Park in Byford. They have a colony of up to 15 koalas which you can pay to hold or you can hand feed the native wildlife that roams free in the park.

At the Sunday farmers market at Caraholly Orchard, you can hand feed the cows with apples from the orchard, plus there are farm

> animals at Midway Farmstall too. Ferndale Springs Farm in Coolup lets you learn more about a real working farm with animals to feed and demonstrations of sheep mustering and damper

making and Greener Pastures Sanctuary in Waroona lets you visit their 100-acre sanctuary for farm animals by appointment.

#### **LOCOMOTIVES BIG AND SMALL**

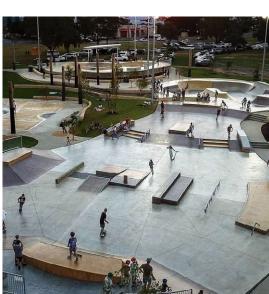
They may be child-sized, but they sure have big hearts - Mini Toot the friendly miniature train runs along the eastern foreshore and the Big Toot is a hop on/hop off tour for all ages. These two

are owned and managed by the Mandurah Tourist **Fun Train Company** and is a fun way to tour Mandurah. You can purchase tickets at the Mandurah Visitor Centre or

when boarding the train.

The Hotham Valley Railway in Dwellingup is a popular attraction, particularly for the train buff. Visitors get the chance to experience a ride aboard a heritage train in the heart of the jarrah forest. The tracks were built in the early 1900's to transport timber from Dwellingup around the state, and today you can enjoy three different train experiences, the Steam Ranger operating in winter months only, May - October.

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#### **MANDURAH (BILL BOWLER) SKATE PARK**

Part of the Western Foreshore recreation precinct the competition standard park is a concrete skate park with three skate zones for different skill levels, including a competition bowl and a plaza area.

It caters for skaters, BMX and scooter riders of all levels, is state of the art as far as skate parks go, and it's a top pick for local skaters, being designed by skaters, specifically for skaters.

The newly completed skate park is the first stage of the \$22m Mandurah Waterfront Project.



Take a deep breathe.
Ah! Can you smell the fresh air?

The vast open blue skies, pristine forests and stunning waterways of the region make it the perfect destination to immerse yourself in nature. Wonder at the world-class natural beauty and easily spot native wildlife as you explore by water or land.

The region boasts a wealth of protected waterways, national parks, nature reserves and nature parks that provide a diverse range of nature experiences.

#### A TRUE MANDURAH ASSET — THE PEEL-HARVEY ESTUARY

There are a few sections to the Peel-Harvey Estuary, and the sum of all parts makes this waterway one of the most popular and desirable water networks around.

The Peel Inlet connects to the Indian Ocean via the Dawesville Channel in Mandurah and the Harvey Estuary further south. It is about 2.5 kilometres long, 200 metres wide and around six metres deep.

The Dawesville Cut, is a man-made channel between the Peel-Harvey Estuary and the Indian Ocean, it was constructed in the early 1990's to allow seawater from the Indian Ocean to move in and out of the estuarine system.

Many tens of thousands of waterbirds, including large numbers of migrant shorebirds from the northern hemisphere, use the estuary and lakes each year, its roots go deep.

The Aboriginal creation story of how the estuary was formed says that all across the land there was a terrible drought, so three Elders went down to the sea to pray to their creator for water. The creator came out of the water. It was in the form of a snake, which they called Wagyl (rainbow serpent). It came out of the sea and along its path the inlet was formed. The curved design of Mandurah's Eastern Foreshore seawall reflects the shape of the Wagyl Serpent.







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#### **PERKS OF THE PEEL-**YALGORUP WETLANDS SYSTEM

This diverse and productive eco-system covers over 26,000 hectares and is comprised of estuaries, lakes, rivers and conservation reserves, including Yalgorup National Park, Lake Mealup Nature Reserve and Lake McLarty Nature Reserve, Austin Bay Nature Reserve and Creery Wetlands Nature Reserve.

It was declared as Wetlands of International Importance in 1990 by the Ramsar Convention and is the largest and most diverse estuarine complex in the south west of Western Australia. Not only is it a remarkable site for the senses, it also provides a habitat and breeding ground for thousands of plants and animals.

#### **Yalgorup National Park**

Stretching from south of Mandurah to Preston Beach, the park has ten elongated lakes, beautiful tuart and peppermint woodlands, walking trails, picnic spots and offers panoramic views of the beach, dunes and lakes. It is home to a variety of native animals and birds and wildflowers are prolific in season.

#### **Lake Clifton thrombolite reef**

Also in Yalgorup National Park is the thrombolite reef at Lake Clifton, offering visitors a glimpse of what life was like when the earth began. It plays an important role to the natural environment and supports threatened ecological species and communities such as the Lake Clifton thrombolites.

Found in only a few places in the world, scientists believe that thrombolites are one of the first life forms on earth, dating back approximately 570 million years, producing the oxygen that made all subsequent life possible. The Lake Clifton thrombolites are approximately 2,000 years old and the largest in the southern hemisphere.

You can view them from above from a boardwalk over the lake with January to May being the best time to see them, when the water levels are low. The thrombolites are culturally significant, include great spots for recreational activities and provide a wealth of educational and scientific research opportunities.

#### **Creery Wetlands Nature Reserve**

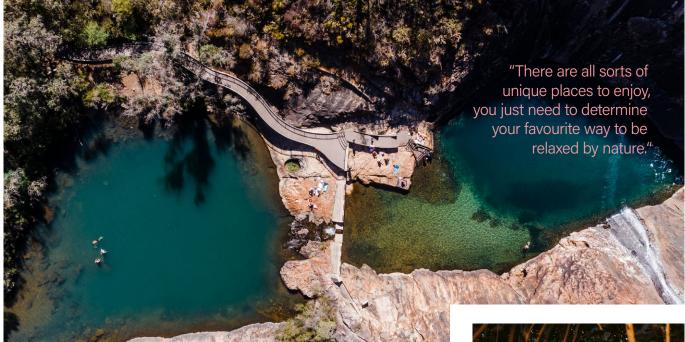
This 29-hectare nature reserve has a series of connected boardwalks and pathways with informative signage and birdwatching areas. The area is a fascinating and enjoyable environment to explore.

#### **Samphire Cove Nature Reserve**

Located in Halls Head, on the north-western side of the Peel Inlet, the reserve includes scenic boardwalks, two bird hides (one with all-abilities access), an information shelter and a barbecue area nearby.

#### **Len Howard Conservation Park**

Situated by the shores of the Peel Inlet and Mandurah Estuary, the Len Howard Conservation Park in Erskine features walking trails along the estuary and wetlands, birdwatching sites and a grassed area for picnics.







# PLACES OF NATURAL BEAUTY IN THE PEEL

Between Mandurah and Pinjarra you find Herron Point, an ideal place for camping, picnics, swimming, walking and birdwatching.

There are all sorts of unique places to enjoy your surroundings, you just need to determine your favourite way to be relaxed by nature. Better yet, you can venture a little further to find new experiences and meet new people, a plethora or natural wonders.

#### **Island Point Reserve**

Situated on the shores of Peel-Harvey Estuary, the reserve provides a lovely, sheltered beach for swimming or birdwatching and bush trails to wander.

#### **Hamel Eco Park**

There are heritage listed trees near a babbling brook in Waroona, that provide habitat and food for numerous species of birds and animals.

#### **Lane Poole Reserve**

The Murray River meandering through towering jarrah forest and valleys make this reserve, just outside of Dwellingup, an enchanting place to visit. Covering more than 55,000 hectares, the park offers plenty of space, amazing flora and fauna and a range of outdoor activities. Stay overnight at one of the many campsites or pack a picnic and enjoy a day trip exploring this stunning location. There is a wide range of equipment for hire such as kayaks, canoes and camping goods from Dwellingup Adventures and they offer selfguided tours if you wanted to truly immerse yourself in and around the tranquil township.

#### **Serpentine National Park**

Best known for the waterfall that cascades over a sheer granite rock face, the Serpentine National Park abounds with scenic beauty and is a sanctuary for an array of plants and animals. It is a great place for bush walks or a picnic by the falls.

#### **Lake Goegrup Nature Reserve**

Forming part of the Serpentine River system, the Greenfields reserve includes a walk trail that runs along the Serpentine River, providing an experience of river and wetland environments.



Taking a journey from Mandurah to the Peel, you can find a diverse mix of eco-systems, thriving in wildlife and flora. And when you're here, there's a very high possibility of seeing some favourite characters both in and out of the water.



#### **GO DOLPHIN SPOTTING**

With almost 100 wild bottlenose dolphins living in Mandurah's waterways, whether you are on or by the water, it will be hard to miss our friendly locals. The Dawesville Cut, Mandjar Bay, Mandurah Estuary and Mandurah Ocean Marina are considered particularly good spots to see dolphins.

#### ALL EYES ON BIRDWATCHING

The beautiful and dazzling red tailed black cockatoos are native to south Western Australia and can be seen high up in the trees as they call Mandurah home. For further information on bird species in the region you can purchase a birdwatching guide from the Mandurah Visitor Centre or visit birdlife.org.au.

Mandurah has many bird visitors too, as it is considered one of the few locations in Australia chosen as a rest stop for birds flying the East-Asian Australasian Flyway, a 25,000 kilometre bird migration route stretching across 22 countries from Russia to Australia.

From October to March thousands of migratory shorebirds feed and shelter in the wetlands. Some of the best places to spot them are the viewing platforms and bird hides at Creery Wetlands, Len Howard Conservation Park, Samphire Cove and Coodanup Foreshore.

The best way to learn more about the significance of our wetlands is on a guided nature walk or day tour with local experts. The teams at Ways to Nature or Salt and Bush Eco Tours will enlighten you with their extensive knowledge of the region.

#### **LOOK OUT FOR AUSTRALIA'S FAVOURITES**

Kangaroos like to graze in the late afternoon, so while out and about, be sure to look for the mob. You may come across them at Melros Beach Reserve in Dawesville or Serpentine National Park in Serpentine.



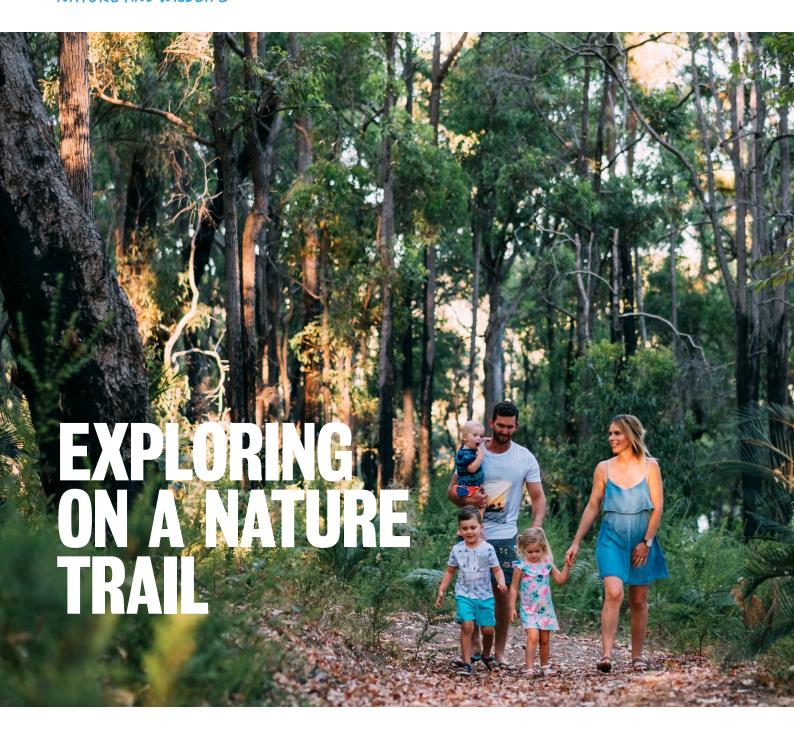
Spot emus or wallabies at Lake Clifton as they walk along the shores, looking for food and water. A large number of black swans (between October and March) can also be seen on the Lake Pollard Trail in the Yalgorup National Park.

Ranger Red's Zoo in Pinjarra is home to the humble koala, Tasmanian devils and kangaroos.

#### SEASONAL COLOURS WILL **CERTAINLY CATCH YOUR EYE**

From September to November, colourful wildflowers bloom throughout the region's forests and coastal heathlands. The best locations to see wildflowers can change from year to year so it's best to check before you commence your wildflower quest.

Some places throughout the region that are quaranteed colourful displays are Yalgorup National Park, Serpentine National Park, Marrinup Trail, Island Point Walk, Len Howard Conservation Park, walk trails around Dwellingup and Kitty's Gorge Trail.



With its vast waterways, long stretches of coastline, abundance of nature parks and reserves, what better way to explore than on a trail?

#### **NATURE TRAILS**

#### Mandurah

#### Halls Head Coastal Trail

Doddi's Beach, Halls Head Parade, Halls Head (12km)

#### Samphire Cove Trail

Samphire Cove Nature Reserve, Egret Point, Halls Head (1.5km)

#### Lakeside Loop

Lake Clifton, Mt John Road (5km loop)

#### The Estuary Walk

Len Howard Conservation Park, Len Howard Drive, Erskine (6km)

#### Mariner's Cove Trail

Creery Wetlands, Darwin Terrace, Dudley Park (3km loop)

#### Riverside Heartwalk

Lake Goegrup Nature Reserve, Wanda Road, Barragup (2km)

#### Beacham Reserve Walk

Beacham Street, Coodanup (2km)

#### Island Point Walk

Island Point Nature Reserve, Island Point Road, Herron (4km)

#### Waroona

#### Hamel Wetland Walk Trail

Cornucopia Street, Hamel (1.8km)

#### Lower Harvey River Walk Trail

Corner Forrest Highway & Dorsett Road (2km)

#### Lake Preston Walking Trail

Preston Beach (2km)

#### Heathlands Walk Trail

Preston Beach Road (4.5km loop)

#### Lake Pollard Trail

Martins Tank Campground, Preston Beach Road (6km loop)





#### **Dwellingup**

Marrinup Falls Walk Trail

Grey Road, Marrinup Townsite (2.6km loop)

Marrinup POW Walk Trail

Grey Road, Marrinup Townsite (4.5km loop)

Holyoake Hike

Dwellingup Trails and Visitor Centre, Dwellingup (3.9km & 6.5km loop)

Bibbulmun Track

Dwellingup to Collie section, Dwellingup (122km)

Chuditch Walk Trail

Chuditch Campground, Lane Poole Reserve (7km loop)

Island Pool Walk Trail Lane Poole Reserve (2km loop)

King Jarrah Heritage Trail Lane Poole Reserve (18km loop)

#### **Serpentine Jarrahdale**

Baldwin's Bluff Nature Track Serpentine National Park (6km)

Blue Rocks Walk

Jarrahdale Road, Jarrahdale (1.5km)

Stacey's Loop

Chestnut Road, Jarrahdale (2km)

Kitty's Gorge Walk Trail

Atkins Street, Jarrahdale (16.5km)

#### **Boddington**

Tullis Bridge Walk Morts Road (3km)

Tullis Rail Trail

Morts Road (16km loop)

Ranford Pool Trail Lions Weir (4km)

#### Trail difficulty rating



Easy Moderate



# POPULAR SPOTS FOR CAMPING AND CARAVANNING

On the beach, in the bush or based in town, you'll find the perfect spot for your next caravan or camping adventure.

#### Staying close to town

To enjoy all that Mandurah has to offer, there is Mandurah Coastal Holiday Park near the city centre, Mandurah Caravan & Tourist Park on Pinjarra Road, Pinjarra Caravan Park in Pinjarra, Twin Waters Caravan Park in Dawesville or Miami Holiday Park on Old Coast Road.

You can camp right on the riverbank in the heart of Pinjarra or Boddington, on the foothills of the Darling Ranges in Serpentine, amongst towering trees in Dwellingup and Lake Navarino in Waroona or lakeside at Herron Point near Pinjarra.

#### Or within a national park

Camping in a national park or reserve is a great way to connect with nature. The campgrounds in the region, which are either on a first-come, first-served basis or booked in advance via parkstay.dpaw. wa.gov.au, include:

Martins Tank Campground near Preston Beach, Waroona is situated on the banks of Martins Tank Lake with camp sites suitable for tents, campervans, camper trails and caravans. Fees apply and must be booked in advance.





Lane Poole Reserve near Dwellingup is a fantastic location for camping with nine different campgrounds within the reserve providing a range of facilities. Fees apply and a park pass is required to enter the national park. Except for Nanga Mill and Nanga Townsite, booking in advance is required.

Marrinup Townsite near Dwellingup is suitable for tents, has toilet facilities and is pet friendly. Camping fees apply and booking in advance is not possible.

#### **RV Friendly Towns**

There are a few places that are considered RV friendly towns with free stay periods and dump points for the wheeled traveller. There is a maximum stay of 24 hours free stay in Pinjarra, Waroona Oval (May to October only), Preston Beach and Drakesbrook Weir. You can stay in Boddington at no cost for 48 hours and Jarrahdale for 72 hours. Free dump points are available in Mandurah, Pinjarra, Waroona and Boddington but you should contact the Mandurah Visitor Centre for more information.

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#### **TWIN WATERS CARAVAN PARK DAWESVILLE**

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Perfect for families, couples or group bookings, a pet friendly park close to Mandurah. Within walking distance to the estuary or a short drive to the beach. Come and enjoy what our park has to offer with excellent customer service, beaches, crabbing, fishing and the foreshore has the rest covered.

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With several immaculately kept, superbly designed courses set in spectacular locations, the region is a golfing holiday dream and is sure to excite and challenge golfers of all abilities.

In one instance you could be teeing off by the ocean, in another, watching kangaroos graze as you play on fairways surrounded by bushlands. But hey, that's golfing on WA's golfing coast.

Great Golf Courses of Australia is a collaborative partnership between Australia's Golf Courses and leading tourism boards, doing their bit to showcase Australia's truly unique golf products to the world. Within the collection are signature courses, premier and unique courses as the name would suggest.

Ranked among Australia's top 20 public access courses. The Cut Golf Course in Dawesville makes the premier course list. It's the stunning links design including four tees on each hole and fourteen holes with oceanfront views that give it the cutting edge.

Meadow Springs Golf and Country Club and the neighbouring Secret Harbour Golf **Links** also make the list, making Mandurah the most popular golfing region in the state. Meadow Springs is a traditional parkland style course boasting a natural Australian bush setting, complete with towering 200-year-old tuart trees lining immaculate, undulating fairways.



#### **MEADOW SPRINGS GOLF** AND COUNTRY CLUB

This Mandurah-based course has proudly hosted seven Western Australian Opens and is your chance to experience immaculate fairways gently meandering through towering tuart trees. This course is a highly regarded test which is also very playable.

23 Meadow Springs Drive, Mandurah +61 (0)8 9581 6002 | golf@msgcc.com.au msgcc.com.au



#### THE CUT GOLF COURSE

Teetering on the edge of the Indian Ocean, this is the state's 'must play' golf course. Located in Dawesville, it's a true links layout played over spectacular rolling dunes with dramatic coastal views from many of its 18 internationally recognised holes.

Country Club Drive, Dawesville +61 (0)8 9582 4444 | golf@the-cut.com.au the-cut.com.au



#### **MANDURAH COUNTRY CLUB**

This incredible course in Halls Head enjoys an elevated location to offer superbly challenging golf through a parkland setting with majestic trees keeping it interesting all the way. Do not miss your opportunity to play this hidden gem.

16 Marsh Place, Halls Head +61 (0)8 9581 2968 admin@mandcountryclub.com.au mandcountryclub.com.au



#### PINJARRA GOLF CLUB

This hidden gem, 18 hole country course is a thinking golfers course, being a challenging combination of water, bunkers, beautiful large gum trees, coupled with some of the best greens on offer.

Corner Pinjarra Road & Sutton Street, Pinjarra +61 (0)8 9531 1252 admin@pinjarragolf.com.au pinjarragolf.com.au



Adventure by water, in forest or in the air - take your pick from a bundle of different things to do right throughout the region.

For the adventure traveller. Mandurah is simply a playground, full of exciting activities that are guaranteed to keep your body moving and your heart pumping.

#### **RIDE THE WAVES**

With 60 kilometres of coastline there are plenty of options for you if you are seeking some waves. Pyramids, Tim's Thicket and Avalon Point are the best spots for surfers and most beaches have man-made groins that create smaller waves for boogie-boarding.

For those seeking to explore with a bit of engine power beneath you, why not speed across an estuary twice the size of Sydney Harbour or in the ocean, along the coast on a jet ski tour with Stag Watersports.

And for even faster thrills, plus a chance to see wild dolphins, go on Mandurah Cruises' Dolphin Island Adventure 1,400 horsepower vessel. If you choose to take it on during the summer season, you not only get close to dolphins, you will also cross the expansive Peel Inlet and cruise through the Dawesville Cut at high-speed. What a way to cruise the waterways!

And just as invigorating is the Murray River. When you visit in winter, and the inland waterways are raging, you can tackle the fastflowing rapids of the Murray River. It's best to go with the experts though - Dwellingup Adventures. Just remember to hold on tight!





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#### **GO PADDLE POWER**

The local coastal and inland waterways offer some of the best paddling experiences in Western Australia. And we're confident it's not all about the conditions of the water, it's because of the friendly locals you get to share it with along your journey. You'll more often than not, get to enjoy a memorable dolphin encounter or glide along with a plethora of birdlife around you as they take their normal course throughout the day.

Paddlers can select a trail to follow according to their ability, some world-class, as they traverse through the estuary, river or ocean waters. You can bring your own watercraft or speak to the likes of **Mandurah Boat & Bike Hire** and **Star Surf + Skate** for canoe, kayak and paddleboard hire. If it has been a while, you can also sneak a few lessons in with experts who call Mandurah home.

After a unique SUP experience? **Be Yoga** is one of Perth and Mandurah's only stand up paddleboard yoga providers. Combine two of the most loved pastime together for a unique summer experience.

### EXPLORE ON A PADDLING TRAIL

With a network of rivers, estuaries, lakes, canals and coastline we're lucky to have all kinds of waterways, fit for paddling. Follow a paddling trail for true enjoyment on the water.

#### **PADDLING TRAILS**

#### **Mandurah Estuary**

Launch at Western Foreshore, Leighton Place, Halls Head or Erskine Foreshore Reserve, Egret Point Road, Erskine

#### South •

Soldiers Cove and Samphire Cove Nature Reserve. Watch out for birdlife and dolphins; rest area at Osprey Waters/Egret Point (1.5km)

#### North

For dolphins and cafés; rest points at Eastern Foreshore (0.5km) or Administration Bay (1km)

#### Canals •

Halls Head & Soldiers Cove are readily accessible; ideally sheltered in windy conditions with minimal current flows. Note: No landing points in canals

#### **Serpentine River**

Launch at Riverside Gardens Reserve (corner of Redcliffe and Wanda Roads, Greenfields)

#### Downstream •

Toward Barragup Bridge, Pinjarra Road (3km)

#### Upstream •

Into Goegrup Lake (0.5km)

#### **Peel-Harvey Estuary**

At 134km², this vast body of water is twice the size of Sydney Harbour. Launch sites include:

**Novara Beach Reserve,** Dampier Avenue, Falcon (50m south of boat ramp)

**Dawesville Foreshore Reserve,** 170 Estuary Road, Dawesville (100m south of boat ramp)

**Park Ridge Foreshore,** 716 Estuary Road, Bouvard (100m north of boat ramp)

Island Point Reserve, Island Point Road, Herron

#### **Lake Goegrup to Mandurah Estuary**

Launch Riverside Gardens Reserve (corner of Redcliffe and Wanda Roads, Greenfields) ending at Mandurah Estuary (20km)

#### **Ocean Paddling**

#### Mandurah Estuary

Launch at Mary Street Lagoon, Mary Street, Halls Head to access the ocean through the mouth of the Mandurah Estuary

#### Dawesville Channel

Launch at the beach at the end of Estuary Place, Wannanup. Paddle through the Port Bouvard Marina canals and the Dawesville Channel and out into the ocean

#### The Dolphin Trail

Circumnavigate 'the island' created by the excavation of the Dawesville Channel, on this trail loop from Dawesville Channel, Indian Ocean, Mandurah Estuary and Peel-Harvey Estuary (28km loop)

#### Paddling Tips

**Be safe**; avoid paddling alone & responsible adults to accompany kids

**Keep to right** of boating channels & canals; beware of boat wakes

Save some energy for the return paddle

Consider likely changes in current and wind strengths & directions

#### Trail difficulty rating

Easy Moderate



Difficult





#### **KEEP TO THE PATH**

Whether in the Mandurah city centre, along the coast or in the forest, there are cycle trails and bike paths to suit all ages and abilities. Bicycles can be hired from Mandurah Boat & Bike Hire, with cycle guide maps also provided, or choose from the fleet of electric bicycles from The Bike Kiosk at the Mandurah Visitor Centre for assisted pedalling. Dwellingup Adventures offers guided mountain bike tours for the ultimate bush cycle adventure - take your pick, there's plenty of cycle experiences to choose from.

#### **CYCLE TRAILS**

#### Bridges Ride

Mandurah Bridge to Estuary Bridge and return (4.5km loop)

#### Mandurah City Loop

Mandurah Train Station - Mandurah Forum -Mandurah Foreshore and return (7km loop)

#### Bridge Loop Ride

Mandurah Visitor Centre to Samphire Cove then Mandurah Bridge (10km)

#### Coodanup Loop

Mandurah Train Station to Coodanup Foreshore and return (11km loop)

#### Relaxed by Nature

Mandurah Visitor Centre to Eros Reserve (15km)

#### Coastal Ride

Madora Bay to Dawesville (30km)

#### Mandurah Sea Explorer

Mandurah Visitor Centre to Falcon Bay (30km)

#### **MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAILS**

#### Marrinup Cycle Trail

Marrinup Townsite, near Dwellingup (8km)

#### Turner Hill Trail

Dwellingup (11km). Includes a 5km shortcut and a 1.1km easy loop

#### Langford Park Mountain Bike Circuit •••

Jarrahdale (22km). Includes two easy (0.5km and 1.4km) and eight advanced trails (0.7 -

#### Waterous Loop Cycle Trail

Lake Navarino, Waroona (61km loop)

#### Munda Biddi Trail

Perth to Albany (1,000km). In the Peel Region the trail passes by Lane Poole Reserve Jarrahdale, Waroona and Dwellingup

#### Murray Valley Trails

Lane Poole Reserve Dwellingup Downhill flow trails:

Year 1 (2.3km)

Boom Boom (1.4km)

Bam Bam (1.3km)

The newly developed trail area also includes another 11km of trails opened in 2019 including:

5km Munda Biddi Trail upgraded to single track mountain trail and a further 5.9km cross country climbing trails .

Mountain biking is a potentially dangerous activity. It should only be undertaken with a full understanding of all the inherent risks. Please consider your skill level and experience before choosing a trail.

#### RIDE BY HORSEBACK

For a more laid-back type of adventure that gets you close to nature, enjoy a scenic horse trail ride at Waroona's Langford Hill Riding Farm set in the beautiful Darling Ranges, or Jarrahdale Equestrian Centre offers horse riding lessons with a ride to Bald Hill in Jarrahdale.

There are a number of bridle trails to follow too, with shorter trails in Darling Downs such as the 2.6 kilometre Birrega Drain Circuit or the 5.5 kilometre Comic Court Circuit to longer ones in Oakford and Langford Park such as the 20 kilometre Kargotich Road trail or Nettleton Road trail.

#### Trail difficulty rating



Easy Moderate Difficult



#### **GO FOUR-WHEEL DRIVING**

Did you know that Mandurah is the closest place to Perth you can drive right on the beach? Let your vehicle feel the sand between its tyres, stop and have a swim, cook lunch on the beach and do a spot of fishing. Preston Beach, White Hills Beach and Tim's Thicket are the best spots to go.

You can also 4WD in the bush on the Captain Fawcett Commemorative 4x4 trail which starts near Dwellingup and finishes at Quindanning, south of Boddington. This 105 kilometre track showcases some of Western Australia's best jarrah forests, historical farm houses, original settler trestle bridges, minor creek crossings and magnificent views. Before entering the track, you will have to lower your tyres' pressure to prevent getting bogged in the sand.

Be sure to pay attention to the tide and turn back if the tide is coming in. And keep in mind that 4WD driving is prohibited in the dunes and is only permitted on the beach and that no other vehicles are allowed including dirt bikes, four wheelers or buggies.

#### **CLIMB TO THE SKIES**

Trees Adventure is a treetop ecoadventure ropes park built around the beautiful pine and jarrah trees of Lane Poole Reserve in Dwellingup, providing exhilarating views as you zip through the treetops on a flying fox.

If you like climbing, try the Mandurah Indoor Rock Climbing Centre. The region hosts a range of sporting events.

Take to the skies with the Royal Aero Club of WA or for the ultimate in sky-high adventure, book a Mandurah beach or Pinjarra tandem skydive with WA Skydiving Academy. They offer jumps of up to 15,000 feet - the absolute highest you can go in Australia, with at least 67 seconds of freefall!



There's nothing more relaxing than getting out on the ocean and in Mandurah being relaxed by nature is what it's all about.

Local surfer lan 'Wooly'
Macpherson wouldn't have it
any other way. He's been surfing
in Mandurah since he was a little
tacker. If he's not chasing the
best break, he's teaching others
how to surf, coaching aspiring
pro surfers and sharing tips on
land at his surf shop - Star Surf
+ Skate.

Sure, the South West is known for its surf, but Mandurah has loads of popular surfing spots to rival, making it a perfect day trip for Perth surfers. And the best time to hit the surf is now! Wooly says ideal surf conditions occur between autumn and spring, with winter the best time due to large storms bringing swells to the WA coast.

We checked in with the local surfing legend to discover more about the Mandurah surfing scene and why we should all pick up a board and learn to surf.

#### How did you get into surfing?

I started surfing when I was around 9 or 10 years old at Avalon Bay. My parents' property was a small stroll from Avalon and my mum was a swimmer, so we spent a lot of time at the beach during the 70s and 80s.

I started off on a 'foamie' – a small coolite surfboard made of polystyrene beaded-foam. I remember painting it with house paint so I wouldn't get a rash. I soon progressed to a second-hand fibreglass 'single fin' board and found myself learning at the little rolling lefts of Falcon Bay.

When I was 12 years old, I joined the **Mandurah Board Riders Club** and I've been a member pretty much ever since.

#### What's your favourite surfing spot in Mandurah?

My favourite spot is Geary's – named after a City Beach surfer, Ray Geary. He built a shack there and at 80 years of age he still lives there today!

Geary's a wave that doesn't break very often and needs a big swell to start to work properly. It gets very crowded with keen surfers these days, but I have very fond memories of days out there as a teenager surfing with just a few mates.





#### Tell us a bit about the Mandurah surfing scene

Mandurah has a great surfing community. According to veteran surfboard manufacturer Len Dibben, Perth surfers have been surfing in Mandurah since the 1950s.

The local surf club has been running since 1978 and I'm super privileged to be the first life member of the club. Each break has its own custodians that 'protect' the break. I find that most breaks have pretty good order compared to some locations in the world that are a complete circus!

Mandurah has also produced many WA state champions and even a few surfers have gone on to surf in pro events, Chris Fullston and myself included.

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#### Do you have any surfing comps in Mandurah?

Mandurah Board Riders runs a junior series over the summer months and a senior series over the winter.

#### Surfing WA also

runs a few state and national events in the City of Mandurah each year.

#### Why do you love to surf?

Surfing has made up a massive part of my life and has moulded me into the person I am today.

All the places I have travelled evolve around the surf and most of my work has been in and around the surf industry since I was a teen. The feeling of being submerged in the ocean, riding waves is unmatched anywhere in any other sport.

Mandurah has been good to me growing up and having the beach on my doorstep. The local community has been very supportive of my surf school and surf shop since we started.

#### Why should everyone learn to surf?

Surfing is all about fun. Surfing increases your fitness, strength, balance and flexibility (we stretch before every class). Spending time in and around the ocean positively impacts your health and the more you do it, the more your

> confidence in the ocean increases.

#### What kind of surf lessons do you run?

Mandurah Surf Lessons runs surfing and stand up paddleboard (SUP) lessons for all ages. We always

have around 6 fully qualified coaches on the roster and most of them work at Star Surf + Skate too.

Our SurfGroms program aimed at 5 to 12 year olds is a national program that makes up a big part of our weekend programs. We teach kids to understand how the ocean behaves and how to be safe while learning to surf. We also include some basics of first aid.

Beyond Waves is a female class we run for girls aged 13 years through to adults. It incorporates some mild yoga and stretches. We also socialise afterwards with a cuppa.

For surfers who are looking to improve their skills, we run a range of Intermediate (Frothers) and advanced (High Performance) clinics. I'm one of the Surfing WA elite state coaches, and we've developed a range of programs for surfers competing at a state and national level.

We also run beginner classes for teens and adults, which can be booked as a one-off class or across four sessions.

#### Where's the best place to shop for surf gear in Mandurah?

There's only one true core surf store in Mandurah and that's Star Surf + Skate. It's been in the same building along Mandurah terrace since 1998.

Star won the Surf & Boardsports Industry Association (SBIA) Single Door Best Shop in Australia award in 2019, which hasn't been won by any other surf shop in WA since the awards began.

Ready to hit the surf? Give it a go in Mandurah!

# **EVENTS IN 2022**



#### **JANUARY**

#### **MANDURAH'S LONGEST AUSTRALIA DAY WEEKEND**

23-26 January

Mandurah will come alive as we respect, reflect and celebrate our story. This weekend is packed events such as the Top of the Terrace Summer Bash, Musical Reflections in the Marina, Great Australian BBQ and importantly, the Citizenship ceremony and Community Citizen of the Year Awards.

#### **FEBRUARY**



#### **FRINGE MANDURAH**

Mandurah will be transformed to a mecca of music, colour, dance and flare for Fringe Mandurah, with a range of events the whole family can enjoy. Partnering with local cafes, bars and restaurants, Mandurah will play host to a range of performances including musicals, comedy, cabaret and children's shows, providing a great opportunity to get out and about in the city over the long weekend.



#### FLOW STATE FESTIVAL

#### 18-20 February

A wellness weekender full of wine and beauty bars, music, and movement spaces supporting a main stage of inspirational keynote speakers on nutrition movement, relationships and wellness. Over the course of the full two day program, you will essentially discover what wellness is for you. It could be through the flow of yoga or energetic dance, upskilling in becoming financially viable or spiritual.

#### MARCH



#### **CHANNEL 7 MANDURAH CRAB FEST**

#### 18-20 March

A highlight of Western Australia's events calendar, the much-loved Channel 7 Mandurah Crab Fest will come to life with family fun, amazing entertainment and food experiences.

Crab Fest attracts visitors from across the State, all keen to get a taste of a unique experience that showcases the best of Mandurah and the region including family friendly entertainment, a show-stopping headline act on the main stage, water-based activations, mouth-watering food and drink stalls with something for everyone, relaxed licensed areas, the Cooking Stage, ticketed food and drink experiences and a fireworks display on the Saturday night. Keep up to date, visit crabfest.com.au

#### **ENDURO EPIC**

Dwellingup will be home to an event that showcases the lifestyle, culture and talent that makes Enduro Racing so exciting.

#### ADVENTURETHON DWELLINGUP

#### 13-14 March

Ride, run (or walk) and paddle your way through Dwellingup over a weekend of fun and challenging obstacles. The weekend starts with a ride along the Murray Valley trail network, a run along the Lane Poole Reserve tracks and flat water paddling down the Murray River.

#### **APRIL**

#### **SQUEEZE FESTIVAL 2022**

In it's third year of running and selling out, the Mandurah event is part of a 13-show festival touring the nation. You'll enjoy live music from Australian performers, all contributing to building a sense of community, connection and wellbeing in regional communities.

#### **MANDURAH MASTERS GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP**

A Go Golfing Masters tournament that for the last 25 years, has been bringing together golfers for a glorious golfing event. Compete in 1 of 15 divisions based on age and handicap. All golfers play single stableford with A Graders eligible to compete in both single stableford and stroke competition.



#### **MANDURAH ACTION SPORTS GAMES 2022**

#### 9-10 April

Catch the skate, BMX and scooter competition at the new Mandurah Skate Park along with Freestyle Motocross action. You'll also get to see Australia's best wakeboarder in action on Mandjar Bay from the Mandurah foreshore.

#### **FAIRBRIDGE FESTIVAL**

#### 22 April

This three-day family-friendly folk festival in Dwellingup is full of live music and bush camping. There are over 100 entertainment acts gathering at the historic Fairbridge Village. With 15 stages, integral children's and youth festivals, music, comedy, dancing, street theatre, markets, camping and workshops and more, it's a great weekend for the whole family.

#### **AUSTRALIAN MASTERS GAMES**

#### 23-30 April

Initially created by the Confederation of Australian Sport in 1987, this week-long festival of sport brings together people from around Australia, and the world, to enjoy an extensive sport program of over 50 different sports. It is one of Australia's largest regular multisport festivals including softball, baseball, athletics, lawn bowls and dragon boat racing. The Games is renowned for its social program where team members get out and explore iconic Perth locations, including Mandurah.

#### **DWELLINGUP PUMPKIN FESTIVAL**

See pumpkins so big they need a forklift to carry them at this charming harvest festival in Dwellingup. More than 70 market stalls come together along with workshops and live music all day.

#### **PINJARRA CUP**

This Pinjarra racing event (2,300 metres) boasts a total prize pool of \$120,000 and is for horses aged 3 years-old & older. It's not all horse racing though, there is also fashion contests, live music and children's entertainment to enjoy o the day.

#### JUNE

#### PINJARRA FESTIVAL

4-5 June

This is a free community event at Edenvale Homestead in Pinjarra with children's activities, food and market stalls and musical entertainment. It's considered the largest free community event held over the WA Day long weekend.

#### JULY

#### WINTER IN MANDURAH FESTIVAL

Mandurah transforms into a winter wonderland with a variety of events to enjoy right across the city. Featuring an undercover ice skating arena and accompanying festival activities, it's a great event to head to in the winter months.

#### SEPTEMBER

#### **DWELLINGUP 100 AND MIGHTY JARRAH TRAIL RUN**

Considered one of Western Australia's largest one day mountain bike races, the event is hosted in Dwellingup and offers four different distance options for riders and three for runners.



#### **PLEIN AIR DOWNUNDER**

Western Australia's largest outdoor painting festival is held every year in Mandurah, with a list of events spanning from workshops, paint-outs, exhibitions, demonstrations to artist talks. It's a weekend long outdoor painting festival attended by local, national and international artists.

#### **OCTOBER**

#### **MANDURAH COUNTRY MUSIC FESTIVAL**

Saddle up, the inaugural Mandurah Country Music Festival is heading your way in 2022 with some of Australia's best artists.

Country music, good vibes, camping chairs, food trucks, and affordable drinks. If this sounds like a virtuous time, then the Mandurah Country Music Festival is definitely worth adding to your calendar this 2022.

#### MANDURAH BOAT, CARAVAN, **4WD AND CAMPING SHOW**

It's not all caravans, it's a massive weekend of the latest and greatest across the leisure lifestyle industry in one huge exhibition. There's something to entertain and inform everyone from new release boats, caravans, camping trailers, 4WD vehicles to accessories, demonstrations, and entertainment.

#### NANGA MUSIC FESTIVAL

An acoustic music festival in Dwellingup bringing together some of the best acoustic musicians to one stage. Concerts, workshops and bushwalks are all part of the experience at this event held at Nanga Bush Camp.

#### **BINDJAREB BOOJA -BACK TO PINJARRA DAY**

In recognition of one of the most notorious incidents in Aboriginal history, the Pinjarra event aims to create cultural awareness among community members and assist with the spiritual healing of the Bindjareb nation and the first Australians.

#### **WAROONA SHOW**

Set to be the 91st Waroona Show, this unique event brings the community together in a celebration of arts, culture, competitions and agriculture. A true country experience at Australia's biggest one day country show.



#### **MANDURAH ARTS FESTIVAL**

Come and witness a massive expansion of the arts and revel in all that makes Mandurah unique its people, places and stories. There's workshops and exhibitions, admire the true art in garments made for Wearable Art Mandurah and enjoy dance performances and multicultural celebration from Mandurah's homegrown talent.

#### **NOVEMBER**



#### **WEARABLE ART MANDURAH**

The largest wearable art competition in Australia and an internationally recognised event that attracts a large audience and entrants from around the globe. Artists have been working on these pieces all year, crafting items like designer handbags and disposable rubber gloves into amazing pieces of art. It's where garments express true artforms.

#### **BODDINGTON LIONS RODEO**

Since its inception in 1976, the Boddington Lion's Club has run the Lions Rodeo each year on the first Saturday of November. Recognised as the largest rodeo in Western Australia the Rodeo Weekend is jam packed with thrilling bull rides, pony rides and jumping castles plus live bands and food stalls.

#### **DECEMBER**

#### **MANDURAH CHRISTMAS PAGEANT**

This wonderful tradition sees local community groups and businesses parade their floats through Mandurah's CBD with the fun continuing after at the foreshore with Christmas inspired activities, workshops and Christmas carols.



#### **MANDURAH CHRISTMAS LIGHTS TRAIL**

See why Mandurah is considered WA's capital of Christmas lights. Larger than life installations are placed along the foreshore with free entertainment and activities to enjoy along the way.



#### **CANAL CHRISTMAS LIGHTS**

Experience Mandurah's very own little Las Vegas, every year from 1st December until early January. Mandurah's Canal Christmas Lights are a wonderland on water. Thanks to the Mandurah canal residents for putting in an enormous effort and dressing up their houses for Christmas at their own expense, every year more than 200 homes come alive with lights and everyone wants to stand out. There is some healthy competition in the canals and people who do not light up their houses are called the grinches - in a friendly manner of course. Some residents have about 100 items plugged in, spend about 80 man-hours to install their Christmas lights decoration, and use 15 timeclocks powered by 30 power boards from 20 extension leads.

As you drift down the canals by boat or on board a cruise, there is a water wishing well with all proceeds going to local charities.

#### KING OF THE CUT

Australia's premier downwind stand-up paddleboard (SUP) race is held at Secret Harbour. The main event is a 24 kilometre King of the Cut, and a shorter 11 kilometre race, the Half Cut.

#### MANDURAH'S NEW YEAR'S EVE **FIREWORKS**

Bring in the new year with a display of spectacular fireworks at 9pm for families followed by another grand display at midnight. The best viewing locations are at the Eastern Foreshore, Stingray Point, Henry Sutton Grove and the Mandurah bridge pedestrian walkway.

Head to visitmandurah.com/events for more events, updates, and further details. Information provided is correct at time of printing but may be subject to change at the organiser's discretion.

# A PLACE FOR PERFORMING ARTS

"It's a hub for extraordinary, dynamic and creative ideas – and the centre for the arts in Mandurah."



For more than 24 years, the Mandurah Performing Arts Centre has been the centrepiece to the region's performing arts efforts. For the most part of the year, and more often than you realise, it hosts performances in theatre, music, dance, circus and more – across its stage. And here in Mandurah, it's considered more than a performing arts centre, it's a hub for extraordinary, dynamic and creative ideas – and the centre for the arts in Mandurah.

From performing arts to wearable arts, revolutionary works of arts on the body are paraded each year at the **Wearable Art Mandurah Showcase**. Artists from



all over the world join like-minded creatives in workshops and exhibitions of work and you can admire it all via a showcase across Mandurah. Recently, **Wearable Art Mandurah** has evolved to become one of the many activations of the **Mandurah Arts Festival**, a larger annual event of performances, dance, music, visual arts and theatre.



The museums in Mandurah may not be grand, but they sure are special in their own right, each telling stories of the bygone era.

In 1898, the Mandurah Community Museum was a schoolroom and later became the town's police station. You can still see remnants of each today. Hall's Cottage was built in 1832 and is known as one of the first pioneering dwellings in Western Australia. We're lucky to grace its presence today, now a museum of local history.

You can be guided on a one hour informative walk to hear the most memorable stories of history and culture. Tours run 11am on Friday and Saturday, you can book your spot at the Mandurah Community Museum or the Mandurah Visitor Centre.



From a humble home to a heritage precinct, you can visit Edenvale Homestead in Pinjarra, and admire the heritage rose garden, the McLarty family homestead and other historical buildings at the site while on your history quest from Mandurah.

From there, a scenic drive to Dwellingup leads you directly to the **Dwellingup Trails** and Visitor Centre where you can see a fully restored Mack fire truck homed within the building and a collection of historical items that tells stories of its origin, the evolution of the local timber industry and the tragedies that struck the town.

Waroona Historical Museum, located in the former Road Board building, has information and historic objects about Waroona and Hamel, just near Waroona has the Hamel Hall and Hamel Eco Park as historical places of interest.

Learn more about the historic timber town of Jarrahdale at the Old Post Office Museum located right in town. Take your time and stroll at your leisure or be guided by a history lover from the Jarrahdale Heritage Society. More of a motor enthusiast? Head out to Serpentine to visit the Serpentine Tractor Museum and their collection of vintage tractors and machinery.



#### TRAILS OF HISTORY **AND CULTURE**

- Mandurah Public Art Trails
- Insta-worthy spots in Mandurah
- Mandurah's Foreshore and Inner-City Pioneer Heritage Walk Trail
- Mundijong Main Street Historical
- Pinjarra Heritage Walk Trail, loop from Edenvale Homestead
- Pre and Post Federation Trails, Jarrahdale
- Waroona Historical Trail (via QR code scanning and digital delivery of information along the trail)





#### **YOURS TO KEEP**

Take a fragment of Mandurah character back home with you, from one of the many studios spotted across the region.

Art & Design Studio in Meadow Springs is a boutique art studio creating sculptural works and bespoke ceramic objects for your home. You can also visit the Peel Pottery studio in Halls Head for an extensive range of pottery and stoneware.

Local cafés, including Mataya Eatery and Frisky Deer in Mandurah play coffee barista and shop keeper, and the Junction - SW Collective presents the wares of 28 WA small businesses, while conveniently located in the heart of Mandurah.

In Waroona, Redtail Studio, Merino Dreaming, Woods of the West and Ravenscroft Textile Studio have open studios available for viewing by appointment. Drakesbrook Antiques & Collectables, also in Waroona, is the world's largest Moorcroft pottery retailer. Jarra Infusion in Pinjarra, Touch of Aroma in Dwellingup and Habitat @ Hairy Lentil in Waroona also sell locally made products and unique arts and crafts.

And you can even find fine examples in a local visitor centre - the Mandurah Visitor Centre, Forest Discovery Centre in Dwellingup, Dwellingup Trails and Visitor Centre, Waroona Visitor Centre and Boddington Arts Centre all sell a range of locally made arts and crafts that would make the perfect memento of your visit.

# **ADMIRE THERE, TAKE HOME**

For art lovers, support those with a passion for paint and expression by visiting an art gallery in Mandurah.

In Mandurah, the Alcoa Mandurah Art Gallery within

the Mandurah **Performing Arts** Centre provides opportunities for local artists to display in their free public exhibition space. It's adds to the cultural breadth of Mandurah and the Mandurah Boardwalk precinct.

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Contemporary Art Spaces Mandurah (CASM), is an annual exhibition program, featuring eight diverse art exhibitions and events from local artists and touring exhibitions. Vivid Art Collective, exhibits artworks by the collective's artists every eight weeks, including paintings, sculptures and jewellery. And Terrace Art Framers sells works by Western Australian photographer Christian Fletcher.

The Black Stump Gallery is home to local artist Emma Blyth, her gallery located within the Mandurah Visitor Centre. The vibrancy of her work is sure to bring life and energy to any room of the house while depicting beautiful wildlife and fragile landscapes across Western Australia.

> Further afield, you can visit Liveringa Gallery located in the Edenvale Homestead Precinct in Pinjarra. It has artworks and sculptural pieces by the Murray Arts and Crafts Society. There is also the **Dwellingup Arts**

Collective, displaying a wide range of superb artworks, including artworks for sale from the Artist-in-Residence. Fairbridge Village, displays artworks in their Exeter Gallery located in the main reception and café and the Waroona Visitor Centre has a gallery selling quality handcrafted pieces by local artists and makers.

# ART ON TRAIL

# Mandurah's Art Trails highlight prominent art and sculptures around Mandurah with a nod to the artists behind them.

There are two trails to follow, that can easily done on foot. You'll need to download the brochure or get a copy from the **Mandurah Visitor Centre** and follow one of two routes. They may not be obvious pieces found on the main streets, instead the trails take you down hidden laneways and along buildings where you would least expect a unique and special art piece.

They appear in different forms and textures; look out for stained glass windows of remarkable marine life, a war memorial inspired by 'At The Going Down Of The Sun' and sculptures representing historic wrecks and tragedies. The Mandurah Art Trails are a great way to experience more of Mandurah and learn more of its historic roots and shared culture.

Positioned adjacent to the new Skate Park, Meeting Place is an iconic artwork by Tom Lucey and Chris Nixon connecting the water to the land. The Meeting Place's form takes inspiration from a water droplet and includes lighting and audio. Nixon's concept was inspired by elemental forces of the Peel-Harvey Estuary and acts as an intersection of time and forces – a meeting place of the developed and natural.







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# SNAP, UPLOAD AND HASHTAG THESE

Follow the Mandurah Instagram Trail and look out for the larger-than-life, colourful and 3D art pieces along the foreshore and into Mandurah's Dolphin Quay precinct.

Pavement artist extraordinaire created a snappy 3D blue swimmer crab near Mandurah Bridge. Stand on the footprint for the best 3D effect, and be careful not to get nipped!

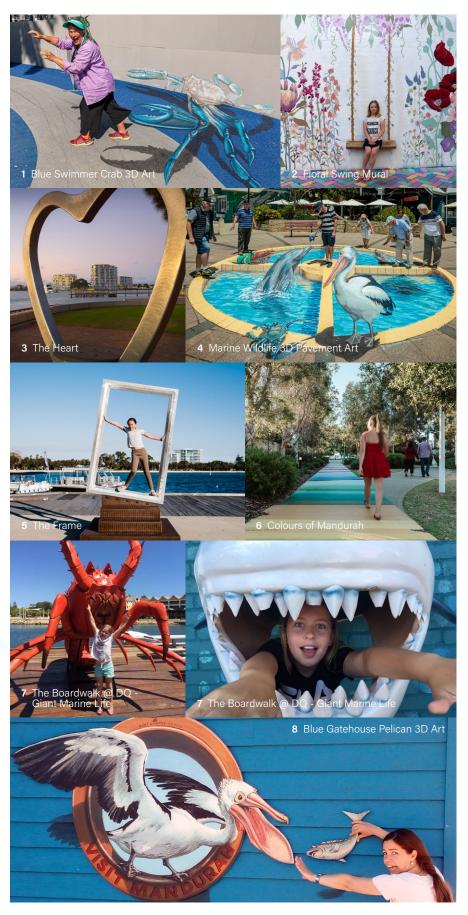
You can swing amongst a beautiful floral mural or dance between giant marine life at Mandurah Ocean Marina. There's also a cheeky pelican chasing his daily catch at Dolphin Quay Marina.

Download your Mandurah Instagram Trail brochure online or check into the **Mandurah Visitor Centre** to grab a copy before you set of on your insta-worthy pic quest.



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your experiences with us





# INSTAGRAM-WORTHY MANDURAH

With 60km of coastline, 134km² of inland waterways and dozens of nature parks and reserves, we are surrounded by picturesque natural and unique environments just waiting for you to photograph.

Check out these scenic photo spots and insta-worthy places in the Mandurah area

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Kaya Wandjoo, nidja Bindjareb Noongar Kaadadjan (hello, welcome and learn from the Bindjareb people of the Noongar Nation).

The first people of the region were the Bindjareb people of the Noongar Nation, who named this place Mandjoogoordap. It's commonly known today as Mandurah, translating to 'meeting place of the heart.'

#### WHILE ON YOUR WALK

On your stroll around town, you'll come to notice particular art pieces and sculptures around Mandurah such as the Bonu-Wongie

"the Wagyl is a snake or

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- Message Stick located on the Mandurah Eastern Foreshore. It's a sculpture representing an invitation to the City of Mandurah from the Winjan Aboriginal

Community to work together.

Bindjareb Fishing Site is a painting by artist: Sandra Hill & Jenny Dawson (1999) also located on the Eastern Foreshore, highlighting the cultural significance of the waterways for trading and fishing for the local Bindjareb Clan and others of the Bibbulmun Nation. While on the western end of the Mandurah Bridge you can see a welcome to country written in Noongar dialect.

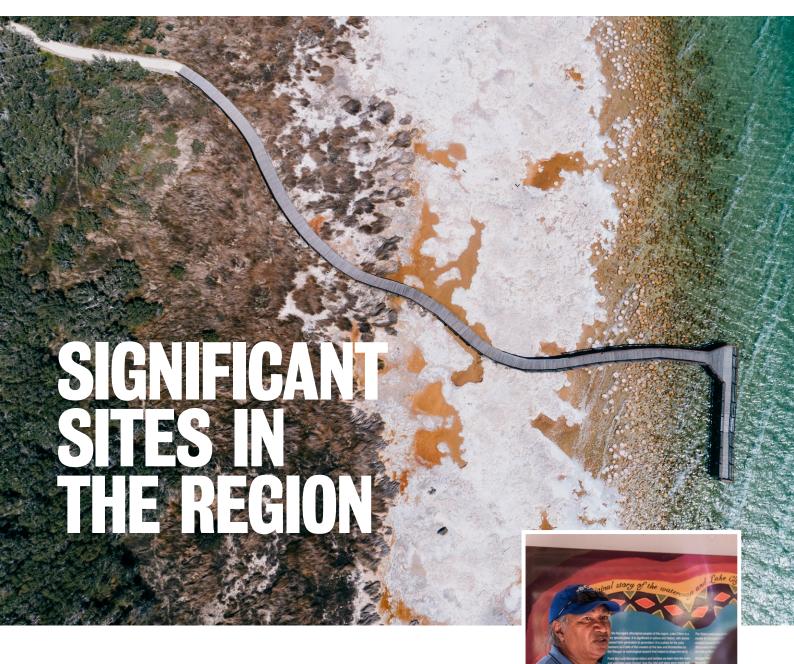
You may have noticed the curvature of the seawall along the Mandurah Foreshore, this reflects the shapes of the Wagyl, a major spirit for Noongar people. Central to their beliefs and customs, the Wagyl is a snake or rainbow

serpent recognised by Noongar as the giver of life, maintaining all fresh water sources.

> Yaburgurt Memorial at Mandjar Square celebrates and commemorates the

life of Aboriginal leader, Yaburgurt, a survivor of the Pinjarra Massacre of 1834 and Connection at Stingray Bay is a sculpture honouring the spirit of the site's traditional owners and its significance as an ancient meeting place.

Perhaps you'd like to walk the three kilometre long Seascapes Walkway in Halls Head. It's a footpath that takes you to Falcon, featuring interpretive signs along the way on native plant species and the traditional Aboriginal use of plants and animals.



#### **PEEL-YALGORUP WETLANDS SYSTEM**

The wetlands have special significance for the Noongar people as important sources of food and water, used for ceremonial purposes, and are part of the dreaming and their natural beliefs. Whilst all waterways are important to the Noongar people, some significant Aboriginal heritage sites include campsites at the Serpentine River mouth and Island Point and a ceremonial site at Egg Island.

#### **BILYA COUNTRY STORY TRAIL**

The Bilya Country Story® Trail is an interactive trail map that details 13 important sites to commemorate places of historical and cultural interest to the Mandurah Bindjareb community. You can visit each of these places over a day or two, enriching trail that will not disappoint. Here are the significant locations:

- 1. Winjan's Camp, Halls Head
- 2. Warrungup Springs Area, Dawesville
- 3. Lake Clifton Thrombolite Reef
- 4. Old Bunbury Road Crossing, Harvey River
- 5. Herron Point, Birchmont
- 6. Pinjarra Massacre Site, Pinjarra
- 7. Pinjarra (Murray River)
- 8. Murray Bend, Ravenswood
- 9. South Yunderup
- 10. Turtle Lake, near Pinjarra

- 11. Black Lake and Nambeelup Lake, Nambeelup
- 12.Mungah on the Serpentine, Barragup
- 13. Lake Goegrup, Barragup

There is much more information regarding the significance and history of each site online, as well as an interactive version of the Bilya Country Story® Trail map. Visit ourknowledgeourland.com.au

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Being in the presence of Aboriginal locals with descendants from the region can be really rewarding. Enrich your time in Mandurah by listening to stories, secrets and traditions on an Aboriginal history and culture tour.

# TOUR BY FOOT, ON A BOAT OR BUS

Mandjoogoordap Dreaming share their knowledge, stories and places of significance on a journey through Mandurah or the region's bushland and waterways. Hear Dreamtime stories, visit significant sites and learn about bush tucker on a walking, boat cruise or bus tour, departing from Mandurah.

#### **LIFE STORIES SHARED**

The Mandurah Community Museum has a well-established oral history program with one of its main focuses being the collection of stories and life histories of Aboriginal people in the Peel Region.

#### **OVERNIGHT CAMPING** FROM MANDURAH

You can embark on an Aboriginal cultural bush tour or overnight camping experience with Goolamwiin. Learn about the Noongar people, discover bush tucker and medicinal plants, hear storytelling and get hands-on with Aboriginal tools.

#### **DREAMTIME STORY LEARNING**

Step into the Dreamtime with Kaarak Dreaming, learn about ancient dreaming stories and join in a yarning circle. Be guided on an ancient Dreaming Trail bush walk in Dwellingup while learning about traditional hunting.

# LEARN ABOUT BUSH WITH TRADITIONAL STORIES RETOLD

Spend time on a 22-hectare nature sanctuary in Pinjarra, home to native wildlife including rare bird species such as the red tailed black cockatoo. When visiting Bindjareb Park, you can join a tour to learn about the bush, local Dreamtime stories and taste bush tucker. Prior bookings for tours are essential. Bindjareb Park also holds Six Season dinners throughout the year.

#### **AN EXPERIENCE IN EVERY SENSE**

You can learn more about the Aboriginal six seasons, traditional nutrition and listen to Dreamtime stories with Aboriginal elders as you make and eat damper and kangaroo supper at the Forest Discovery Centre in Dwellingup. A truly, immersive experience.



There are iconic eats like blue manna crabs and fresh seafood that you must try when visiting. But make no mistake, dining in Mandurah can be pretty special with photo-worthy table views and unique ways of dining all around the place. Create your culinary to-do list with these locally inspired food-favs.



#### **DELIGHTFUL CRUISING**

This is the ideal spot to pair an iconic Mandurah experience with your favourite way of dining. Choose from morning tea on a canal cruise or toast to a fabulous day on the water via sunset and tapas.

#### **360 BB0**

There's not too many places around where you can BBQ on water - on a completely round, environmentally respectful boat that is. Self-led, entertain your friends with a putt through the canals, treat them to absolute 360 degree views and show off your best grilling skills with the onboard BBQ.

#### **BAR FLOATS**

Thanks to **Mandurah Cruises**, you can enjoy the ultimate trifecta on a Floating Bar Cruise - tasty drinks, sweet tunes and good vibes, and all afloat Mandurah's famous waterways. Pick the right day and you could raise the bar with a Sunset Tapas Cruise or decadent High Tea on board.

#### **WINE ON TOUR**

What better way to experience the region's culinary delights and wineries than by someone else driving? Kaleidoscope Tours will make sure you discover the best of the region's fabulous food and wine.

# PICNIC PASTIME FAVOURITES

Mandurah Eastern Foreshore,

Mandurah overlooks Mandjar Bay with shady trees, free barbecues

Estuary Road, Dawesville and Bouvard has many picnic spots overlooking the estuary

Coopers Mill, Cooleenup Island is only accessible by boat and has picnic spots by the 170 year old mill

Drakesbrook Weir in Waroona has sandy beach, lawn, shaded tables and free harbeques

North Dandalup Dam, near Pinjarra has coastal views from the lookout

Serpentine Falls, Serpentine National Park has lawn, tables and free barbecues by the waterfall

Cantwell Park in Pinjarra, has lawn and picnic tables on the banks of the Murray River

Millbrook Winery offers picnic hampers to picnic on the grounds

**Drakesbrook Fine Wines or Peel Estate** Wines let you picnic by the vines

To go the extra mile, Perfect Picnics and Occasions can certainly make your picnic something special. Keep them in mind for your next outdoor occasion.







#### **COFFEE, TEA AND TREATS**

There are plenty of cafes offering great coffee in Mandurah, but some of the places locals say are serving up the best brews include:

Groundswell Drivethru Coffee. 99 Piniarra Road

Café MOKA, 18/4 Zephyr Mews

Tod's Café, 73 Mandurah Terrace

Mataya Eatery, 6/20 - 24 Sholl Street

Samudera Bakery, 29 Mandurah Terrace

DPM Café, 4/14 Mandurah Terrace

Flics Kitchen, 3/16 Mandurah Terrace

Frisky Deer Interiors & Café, 12 San Polo Vista

Harvey Grinds, 13 Dolphin Drive

Muzz Buzz Mandurah, 12 Magenta Terrace

#### **OTHER GREAT FINDS FOR SWEETS AND TREATS**

San Churro Chocolateria. For chocolate lovers

La Belle Patisserie & High Tea House. For great high tea

Catch 22. Tapas and high tea

Tree of Life Café

The Hairy Lentil. Try the beetroot latte

Nan & Pop's Lolly Shop & Tea Room Pinjarra Bakery. For fantastic pies

and pastries

Whizz Pop Candy Shop.

Need we say more!

#### **CATCH YOUR DINNER**

For a once in a lifetime culinary adventure, catch and eat western rock lobster in the freshest possible way on a Wild Seafood Experience cruise with Mandurah Cruises. Journeying out to the Indian Ocean, help haul in crayfish pots, before enjoying the rewards of your labour with a delicious barbecue lunch with local wines, served on board as you cruise the calm estuary waters.

If you don't fancy a cruise with seafood, you can also try your hand at blue manna crab net scooping on board on the Catch and Eat Crab tour.

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#### FEAST ON SEAFOOD

For the best seafood dining experience, visit the award-winning Redmanna Waterfront Restaurant, Samudera Artisan Food or Flics Kitchen. For quality seafood in a casual setting try Sharky's, Oceanic Bar and Grill at Mandurah Ocean Marina.

#### A SIDE DISH OF SUNSETS **AND DOLPHINS**

The waterfront cafés and restaurants on the Mandurah Foreshore and Dolphin Quay at the marina are great spots to relax over a meal and watch the dolphins play nearby in the sparkling waters of the bay.

#### FIT FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

There are plenty of family-friendly cafes and restaurants in the region, many with playgrounds. The Boston Burger Company, Mandurah Steakhouse, Cicerello's Mandurah, Oceanic Bar and Grill and Sharky's have great menu options for kids.

#### **RESTAURANT ON RAILS**

Step back in time with the Hotham Valley Railway in Dwellingup and dine in the 1919 Vintage Dining Car or 1884 Club Car aboard the Etmilyn Forest Diner Train. You'll delight in a twilight mystical journey through the forest while enjoying a five course meal straight from the onboard wood stove.

# RICH IN FLAVOUR, DEEP IN CULTURE

Out of town in Pinjarra, local children supply chefs of Bindjareb Park with marron and bardie, historically, traditional local food sources for the region's Aboriginal community. Their Six Season Dinners celebrates bush tucker infused with native herbs and spices and paired with cultural insights.





#### **DEGUSTATION OF NATIVE INGREDIENTS**

Flics Kitchen offers a unique cultural experience based on the Noongar six seasons with a five course degustation using fresh native ingredients from the Mandurah and Peel Region. It's an amazing opportunity to immerse yourself into Aboriginal culture via native food.

#### **HOME GROWN HARVEST**

At Millbrook Winery in Jarrahdale, the restaurant only serves fresh produce from their large vegetable garden or purchased from local suppliers, all served with Millbrook's awardwinning wines. No Waste Monday is a special experience, when the weekend's leftover perishables are transformed into inventive new dishes which showcase the creative abilities of Millbrook's expert chefs, who are often working with an eclectic list of ingredients.

#### **PUB-STYLE GRUB**

So you've been driving through the Peel Region on an adventurous day trip, and are in desperate need for a feed. Take it down a gear and sit back and relax with the family at a local hotel or pub on the Murray River. You're only concern for the next few moments is deciding on a favourite pub meal and the right drink to accompany it.

#### CHARMING COUNTRY COOKING

Delight in a stopover at a small café out of town with rustic charm and homely hospitality. You'll find some favourites in Dwellingup, Pinjarra, Boddington Waroona, at Serpentine Dam and Lake Clifton.

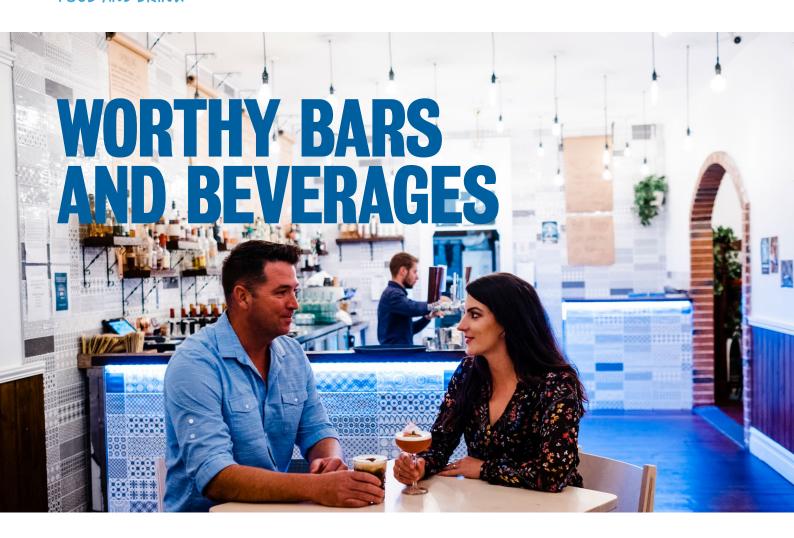


#### FROM PADDOCK TO PLATE

It always tastes better when its handcrafted and harvested. Locally produced goods can be found right throughout the Mandurah and the Peel Region, at farm gates, road stalls and local farmers markets. Your appreciation for local offerings will soar when the person who serves you is the same as the one in the paddock - respect.

Pick your own fruit from selected trees at Caraholly Orchard, Dwellingup. Open most Sundays, you can also stock up on fresh fruit, vegetables, eggs and honey, hand feed the cows, grab a bite to eat and a coffee from the popup café, listen to live music and explore the orchard and farm grounds.

- Get your local bred pork at Hamlet Pork, Coolup.
- Pick up raw unprocessed honey from Hoots Honey.
- Organic vegetables for the win at Hamel Homegrown, Waroona and fruit from Vergone's Fruit Stall, Dwellingup.
- Crickets for human food, protein powder and cricket dukkha from Grubs Up Australia – yes you read right!
- Try the locally made HaVe Cheese, awardwinning cheeses at Borrello Cheese, Oakford or the freshest and finest yoghurt and cheese at Mundella Foods, Mundijong.
- · Take home olive oil from Natural Circle.
- Choose from over 60 varieties of tea at Necessiteas For Life.
- · Or Grass fed lamb and beef, jams, honey and spices from Midway Farmstall, Pinjarra.



You won't get tired of the drinking the same old drinks in Mandurah while the mixologists continue to deliver in the creative cocktail game. Whether you prefer cocktails, craft brews or wine, sip your way through these establishments around Mandurah. There's Bar Therapy, The Bridge Garden Bar, Flics Kitchen, Catch 22, Peninsula Bar and Restaurant and Brewvino plus plenty more to choose from.

#### THE LITTLE STILLER

A gin distillery by name and nature, **The Little Stiller** joins the list worthy bars in Mandurah, offering tastings, mixing sessions and a board of great local gin and vodka drinks to try from their fully operational distillery. It's humble and homely, and a place fit for many to come relax and chill, with gin in hand.

#### **BOUNDARY ISLAND BREWERY**

The newest addition to the Mandurah micro brewery scene, this brewery is a new kind of brewery. It's relaxed, welcoming and genuine, a place to enjoy locally brewed beer and a seasonal menu.

#### **FLICS KITCHEN**

There's a specialist gin menu at **Flics**, (that's right, their obsession for gin is real!) or a good looking list of WA packaged beers and ciders to choose from at this centre-of-town restaurant. But don't let this take away from the calendar of foodie events and all-round delicious dishes that raise the dining bar in Mandurah.

#### **BAR THERAPY**

It would have to have one of the insta-worthy backdrops as the sun sets behind the Mandurah bridge and the shoreline trees each night. You can enjoy a cocktail made by the crafty hands of a mixologist or take a workshop to learn from the best. This place oozes relaxation and cool.

#### THE BRIDGE GARDEN BAR

Stellar drinks and superb eats are on the menu at one of Mandurah's freshest establishments. But it's held up by history and heritage, the foundations being Granny Cooper's cottage constructed in 1862. There's a solid and trusted drinks menu here, with cold beer on tap and fine wines for a leisurely session in the garden bar.

## **WOOD AND STONE CAFE AND BAR**

There are six craft beer taps at the bar to try WA's latest craft brews. Order a tasting paddle to sample them all on your next visit to the **Wood and Stone** or a signature cocktail from their extensive, well thought out list. Your drinks come with a chilled out venue-vibe and cool Sunday line-up.

#### CATCH 22

Fancy a Catch 22 Gin Whisper, or a Sherbinator from the signature cocktail list? There's a round-the-world list of wines to choose from too. Pick your mood and there's a drink to suit, we're sure of it. Might we add, their tapas menu, as a popular all you can eat offering looks pretty good as well!

#### PENINSULA BAR AND RESTAURANT

The Pen has 48 beer taps, an extensive wine list and cocktails menu with a sizeable beer garden for both serenity and sunshine.

#### **BREWVINO**

Overlooking the Mandurah Foreshore, they offer a rotating selection of beers, wine and spirits to give the small producers as much chance to show off their liquor as the big players. Beer and Bites is on the second Wednesday of each month to meet the makers of our local breweries.





You can discover our take on unique craft beers and boutique wines with the self-guided Peel Region Craft Beer and Wine Trail. Featuring seven of the region's best beer and wine offerings, the trail provides an authentically local experience, to be enjoyed at your own pace, with an easy to read and helpful map showing you the way.

#### **Millbrook Winery**

Nestled deep in the forest in Jarrahdale, Millbrook Winery is simply breathtaking. Enjoy lunch in the award-winning restaurant or share picnic hamper on the banks of the sparkling lake. Both are created using delicious estate-grown produce. Sample the range of Millbrook wines in the tasting room and discover why these highly-awarded wines have such a loyal following. Special offer: Enjoy special member pricing in the tasting room for rewards club members (a free to join membership).

#### **Peel Estate Wines**

The largest and oldest winery in the region (est 1973), this magnificent vineyard is nestled between protected wetlands and tuart forest in Karnup. Producing an extensive range of quality red, white, rosé, sparkling and fortified wines available for tasting at the cellar door every day. Visitors are invited to bring a picnic or cook a barbecue while enjoying the awardwinning wines in beautiful country surrounds. View vintage in action from January to March and a summer music series on select Sundays. Special offer: 20% off 12 bottle purchase.

#### **King Road Brewing Co**

A proud family owned, and operated brewery set on 90 acres of rural farmland in Oldbury, offering a family friendly, vibrant atmosphere that optimises the area's rural character and charm. It's a location that provides freedom for the kids to run and play whilst you kick back, relax and enjoy the delicious food and beverages.

#### **Drakesbrook Fine Wines**

A family-owned and operated vineyard with a focus on premium quality, alternative and emerging varieties including Savagnin, Vermentino, Malbec, Sangiovese and Tempranillo to name a few. The cellar door in Waroona overlooks a beautiful lake where you are invited to bring your own picnic. The winery is consistently rated 4/5 stars by James Halliday in his annual Australian Wine Companion. Special offer: 10% off six bottle purchase or 20% off a mixed dozen.

#### **Three Rivers Brewing Company**

A family-owned, urban brewery in Mandurah that uses only the finest ingredients and traditional brewing methods (no filtering pasteurisation or additives), offering great beer to take-away or enjoy in the cosy taproom and beer garden. Special offer: Show us this ad for a free middy of your choice from one of our eight taps.

#### **White Lakes Brewing**

A state-of-the art brewery in Baldivis, with an awarded range of brews, overlooking the beautiful Lake Walyungup. Enjoy a meal at the Vernon Arms tavern next door or while away a sunny afternoon on the Brewhouse deck. Special offer: Buy one get one free beer tasting tray.

#### **Skipworth Wine Company**

A multi award-winning boutique winery, located on the edge of the Darling Scarp, offering picturesque views through the abundant jarrah and karri trees on the property across to the coast. Enjoy comprehensive wine tastings in Yarloop with winemaker/owner Kim Skipworth.

Pick up or download the trail brochure for full details, from local visitor centres, visitmandurah.com or trailswa.com.au

# DON'T STOP THERE, THERE ARE OTHER PLACES TO VISIT

There are other wineries and breweries in the region to visit when you head out for the day

The Wine Tree Cidery: A picturesque, boutique winery in Dwellingup with fresh fruit wines, ginger beer, ciders and ploughman platters.

Cape Bouvard Winery & Brewery: Sit by the log fire and have a meal accompanied by a glass of wine or a craft beer brewed on site in Herron.

Lake Clifton Mango Winery: Try the special fruit wines including mango, ginger, passionfruit and more.

Old Coast Road Brewery: A family fun venue set on a scenic 70 acre property with 1,000 olive trees. They make beers and ciders on site.

#### FOOD & WINE TRAILS IN WA

A series of Western Australian food and wine trails have been produced by Tourism Western Australia and Trails WA, providing you with a sample of what is available across the state. Find more trail maps from visitor centres or visit trailswa.com.au.



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#### **MURPHY'S IRISH PUB**

Murphy's Irish Pub is a family owned & operated venue located on the Mandurah Foreshore, overlooking Mandjar Bay.

This multi award-winning venue has been a social hub of Mandurah for over a decade, with free live entertainment every night of the week including karaoke, trivia, acoustic performers & party bands on Friday & Saturday nights until 2am. Enjoy a great meal for lunch & dinner every day of the week from their extensive menu, and all-day dining on weekends, and of course a great selection of ice-cold tap beers, wines & spirits from 11am until late. If Mandurah's usual perfect weather is on show, you can join the locals in watching the world go by from Murphy's 100-seater fully licenced boardwalk alfresco.

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#### **REDMANNA**

Redmanna is Mandurah's most awarded Restaurant, winning both the Gold Plate and Restaurant and Catering awards for "WA Best Seafood Restaurant" to name a few.

Located centrally on the eastern foreshore at the water's edge and at the top of the terrace with views along Mandjar Bay. Open 5 Days for Lunch and Dinner, Redmanna is the ideal choice for smart casual a-la-carte dining

Redmanna is known for its local seafood including blue manna crabs, crayfish, prawns, scallops, WA line caught red emperor and prime cut Stirling Ranges beef, catering to all needs. The wine and beverage list has been compiled to enhance the menu and showcase some of the Peel regions award winning beers and wine.



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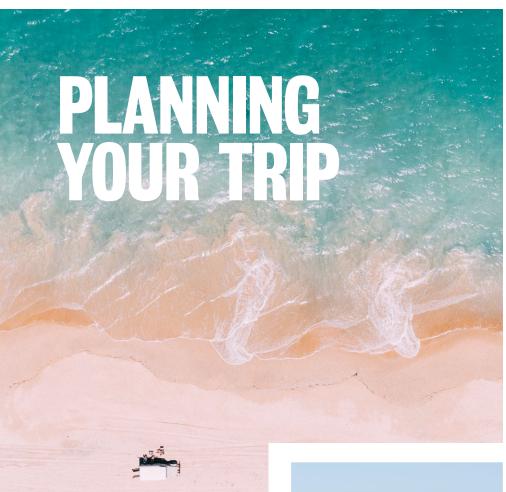


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Here are a few tips before you come and get acquainted to make your time in Mandurah more enjoyable, more gratifying and remarkable.

#### **BEFORE YOU ARRIVE**

Browse this visitor guide, it's full of stories of region, tips on places and hints on where to be relaxed by nature.

Visit our website, visitmandurah.com, the place where you will find inspiring blogs, a full events calendar, references on where to stay and things to do. You may also find a deal or two to help plan your visit.

Subscribe to our newsletter, you'll find the link on visitmandurah.com

#### WHEN YOU ARRIVE

Integrate with locals and soak in history and heritage of the place. The foundations go back thousands of years.

And take pictures, lots of them, they are traces of the good times, your favourite moments and essentially, lasting memories.



#### **AFTER YOU LEAVE**

Share your time in Mandurah with others. Tag your posts with #visitmandurah and #mandurahmoment so we can see how much fun you had and help us tell the world what a great place we have here.

Keep up with everything that is happening in our city by following us on Facebook and Instagram @visitmandurah.

# VISITOR CENTRES

Speak to the experts at a local visitor centre. They can help with tour, attraction and accommodation bookings, provide local knowledge and are a useful resource for maps, guides, flyers and visitor guides.





#### **Mandurah Visitor Centre**

T: +61 (0)8 9550 3999

#### **Pinjarra Visitor Information Point**

Edenvale Homestead

T: +61 (0)8 9538 1108 (Dwellingup Trails & Visitor Centre)

Self-service touch screen information point and brochures located inside the Murray Arts and Crafts Shop.

#### **Dwellingup Trails & Visitor Centre**

Marrinup Street, Dwellingup T: +61 (0)8 9538 1108 E: dhvic@murray.wa.gov.au Open 7 day 9am - 3:30pm (Closed Christmas Day)

#### **Serpentine Jarrahdale Community Resource Centre**

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E: serpentinejarrahdale@crc.net.au Open Monday - Friday 9:30am - 3:30pm

#### **Waroona Visitor Centre**

37 South Western Highway, Waroona T: +61 (0)8 9733 1506 E: visitorcentre@waroona.wa.gov.au Open 7 days 9:30am - 3:30pm (Closed Good Friday, Christmas Day, Boxing Day & New Year's Day)

#### **Boddington Visitor and Interpretation Centre**

Wuraming Avenue, Boddington T: +61 (0)8 9883 8246 E: reception@boddingtonoldschool.org Open Tuesday - Friday 10am - 4pm, Saturday 9am - 1pm



#### **WAROONA VISITOR CENTRE & GALLERY**

The Shire of Waroona incorporates Waroona, Hamel, Preston Beach and Lake Clifton. From the Indian Ocean to the Darling Range you will find pristine beaches, unspoiled lakes on the coastal plains, fertile farmlands and peaceful jarrah forests.

Picnic and swim at Drakesbrook Weir and Lake Navarino, visit quaint and quirky boutique shops, follow an art trail with yarn bombing, murals and mosaics and meet talented local artists in their studios. Do wine tasting, explore Yalgorup National Park and the thrombolites, go horse-riding, bushwalking, mountain bike riding and 4x4 driving. Throw in a line at Preston Beach on the coast or do some inland freshwater fishing (licence required).

Accommodation in the Shire includes motel and pub style, holiday and caravan parks, resort and holiday homes, glamping, camping and free 24 hour stopovers or low cost for fully self-contained RVs (conditions apply). Dining from café to a-la-carte.

Waroona Visitor Centre staff and volunteers provide friendly service, maps and local information. The Centre also houses a beautiful gallery with displays of quality local artwork and craft. Open 9.30am to 3.30pm daily, disabled access and public toilets, ample parking plus visitor bay for caravans.

When you're ready to explore further afield, the Shire of Waroona provides a quiet country base close to WA's capital, Perth, and within an hour of two regional cities and numerous towns.

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# ESSENTIAL TRAVEL INFORMATION

With a Mediterranean climate, Mandurah is a year-round holiday destination and it is important to have the essential information on hand when you visit – any time of year.

In summer, it is ideal for swimming and other water activities and the crisp, sunny days in spring and autumn are perfect for outdoor exploring and spotting wildlife and wildflowers. The cooler winter months provide stunning green landscapes and plenty of indoor and outdoor activities to enjoy.

#### **GETTING HERE**

Mandurah is less than an hour's drive from Perth. The most direct route is via the Kwinana Freeway, exiting at Mandjoogoordap Drive. The exit is well sign-posted and will connect you to Mandurah Road and into the city centre. An even faster option is Transperth's public train service, operating between Perth and Mandurah at a travel time of just under an hour. Public buses operate from the train station to the city centre. Mandurah Airport Shuttles offer return transfers between Perth Airport and Mandurah.

#### **USEFUL INFORMATION**

Free public WI-FI is available throughout Mandurah city centre.

People with disabilities can use the beach matting to the water's edge at Town Beach and Dolphin Pool at the marina. There is an all-terrain wheelchair for hire to access beaches and walkways. Bookings can be made during office hours with the **Mandurah Ocean Marina Chalet**, 6 The Lido, Mandurah. Phone 9535 8173 or email **chalets@marinachalets.com.au**. The wheelchair can be picked up from the Beach Access Storage Shed attached to the toilet block at Keith Holmes Reserve in Mandurah. The wheelchair and beach walker are available during office hours (8am - 6pm, 7 days a week).

There is a liberty swing at Mandurah's Eastern Foreshore playground and at Caterpillar Park.

Mandurah also has a changing facility with full size changing table and hoist near the Visitor Centre, which also has the access key.

#### **NATIONAL PARK ACCESS**

An entry pass is required to access national parks within the region. Passes with unlimited entry to all Western Australian fee-paying parks are for a set period are available for purchase at shop.dbca.wa.gov.au or from visitor centres.

#### **GETTING AROUND**

Many of Mandurah's attractions are in or around the city centre, making them easily accessible. The city is very walkable, with good paths, open spaces and waterside boardwalks. To explore further afield travel by car or join a guided tour.

Free Parking is available within Mandurah city centre.

#### **HIRE CARS AND RENTALS**

For self-drive, the region is well sign-posted and easy to navigate. Ace Rent a Car – Mandurah, Mandurah Car Hire, Hertz, Budget Rent A Car and other hire companies have cars available for pick up in Mandurah and at the Perth Airport.

#### **PUBLIC TRANSPORT**

The Transperth bus 588 or 589 runs between Mandurah Train Station and Mandurah city. Your train ticket allows free journey on buses until the time detailed on your ticket expires. Other public transport buses run throughout Mandurah.

#### **TAXIS & CHARTERS**

Mandurah Taxis operate services from the Mandurah Train Station and can take you anywhere in and around the region. They also offer personalised tourist charter and executive car services. Call the 24 hour phone number 13 13 30 to book. Uber is also available.

Peel Bus Hire and Charters offers luxury coaches for school excursions, airport transfers and self-drive mini bus hire and Mandurah Party Bus Hire can take care of the driving for you, so you can focus on the party ahead at the list of Mandurah venues.

#### **ENTERTAINMENT**

Mandurah Performing Arts Centre's annual calendar of events regularly includes shows and workshops for kids and families. Reading Cinema in Mandurah screens all the latest movies every day of the year.

#### **RETAIL SHOPPING**

Within the Mandurah city centre there are fashion boutiques, gift shops and other retail outlets. **Mandurah Forum** is the largest shopping centre outside the Perth metropolitan area and includes a premium and three discount department stores, two supermarkets, over 200 specialty retailers and an alfresco dining area.

**Secret Harbour Square** is anchored by three major retailers including Woolworths, Coles and Aldi, as well as an additional 40 specialty stores to service the Secret Harbour community.

Supermarkets, pharmacies, bottle shops, hardware stores, petrol stations and automotive services are readily available in Mandurah and throughout the region.

### EMERGENCY CONTACTS AND APPS

**000 Police, Fire and Ambulance** (life threatening emergency)

131 444 Police Assistance (non - emergency)

133 337 Fire and Emergency Services (emergency information) or visit emergency.wa.gov.au

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## HANDY CONTACTS TO HAVE WITH YOU

**transperth.wa.gov.au** A handy resource public transport times and locations

**transport.wa.gov.au** A reference for recreational boating rules and information

**fish.wa.gov.au** Find information on recreational fishing rules and information

**parks.dpaw.wa.gov.au** Get maps, information on park locations, trails and events

parks.dpaw.wa.gov.au/park-stay
Find campground locations and book
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**trailswa.com.au** Learn more about walking, cycling and culinary trails in Western Australia

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