

# HIDDEN TREASURES

OF THE GREAT SOUTHERN

**TOURIST GUIDE** 4<sup>th</sup> EDITION



Great Southern

Nature

## → Introduction

➤ **HIDDEN TREASURES OF THE GREAT SOUTHERN** covers a collection of hinterland Shires of the Great Southern Region. These communities are predominantly recognised for the primary industry of agriculture from broad acre cropping, sheep for wool and meat production, viticulture, silviculture and horticulture.

Steeped in the heritage of our early settlers, this often overlooked area of Western Australia offers a unique glimpse of the 'real backbone' of our farming communities. Grand old homesteads, community halls and hotels from an era when the country relied on the "sheep's back" to huge grain operations that showcase modern agriculture, all mixed in with Award winning wineries, local produce, great scenery and that warm sense of country charm.

As the **CENTENARY OF ANZAC** is upon us, this **2014-2015** Tourist Guide pays tribute to the communities from where many of our young soldiers of the First World War set off on what was to be their 'adventure of a life time'.

In each community, names of those who made this trek, and those who paid the ultimate sacrifice are etched on the War Memorials which you will discover throughout the Region.

These communities are our home, our workplace and our own Hidden Treasures ..... we welcome you to come and enjoy our hospitality. Take a back road; you never know what riches you might find!

This Guide will give you hints and ideas to enable you to explore our fantastic part of Australia. As we are regionally based and sometimes seasonally 'dependent', please be aware that some opening times will vary but we love to entertain our guests so make a call to the contact numbers provided and they will do their best to open for you. So remember to **PLAN YOUR TRIP TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT.**

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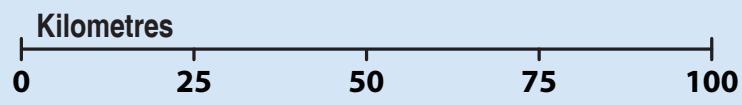
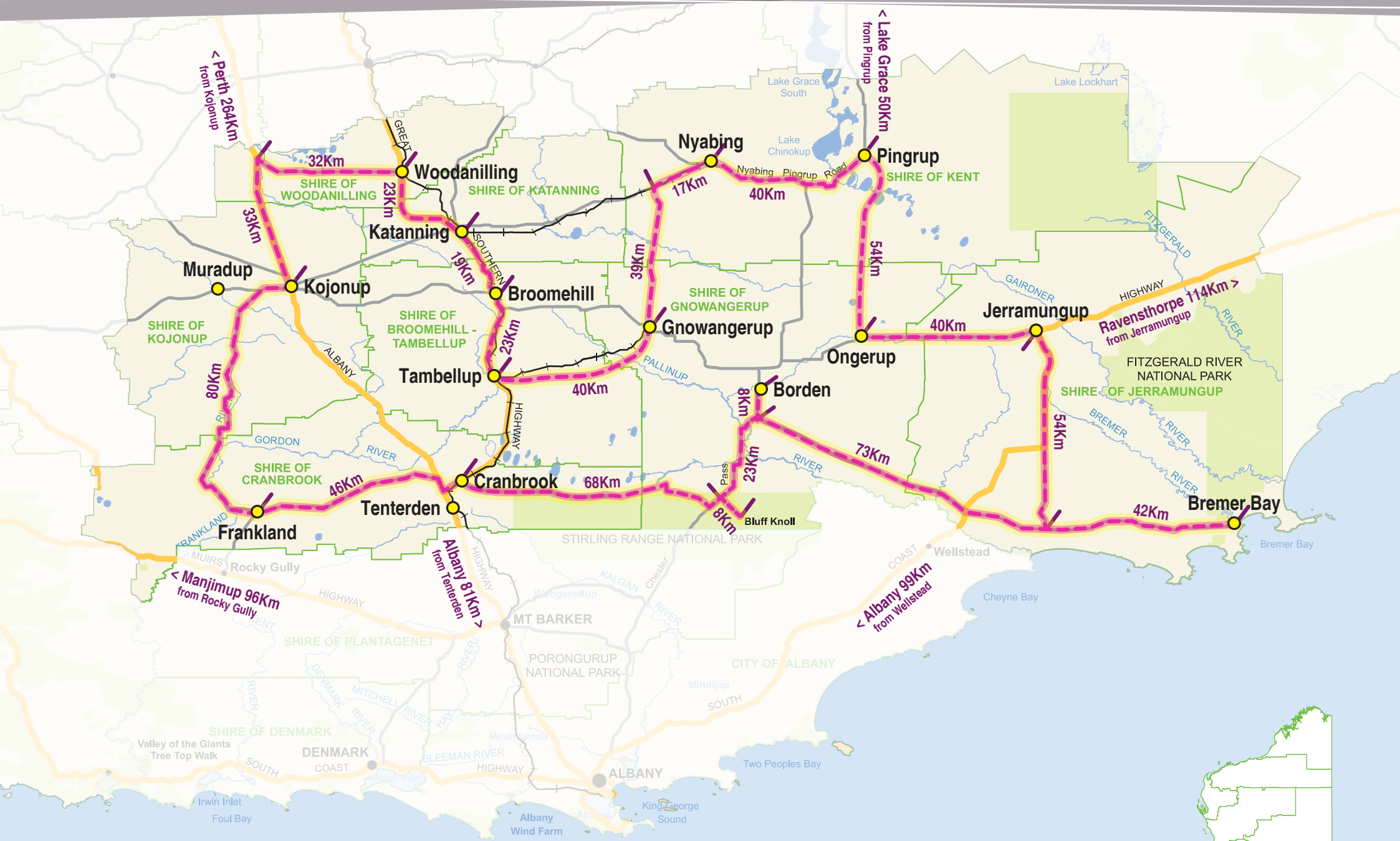
- Wildflower displays
- Open gardens
- Education programs
- Local Produce
- Farm tours
- Natural Attractions






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 Hidden Treasures Drive Trail Loop  
 Shire Boundary  
 Distance in Km

 Major Road  
 Minor Road  
 Railways



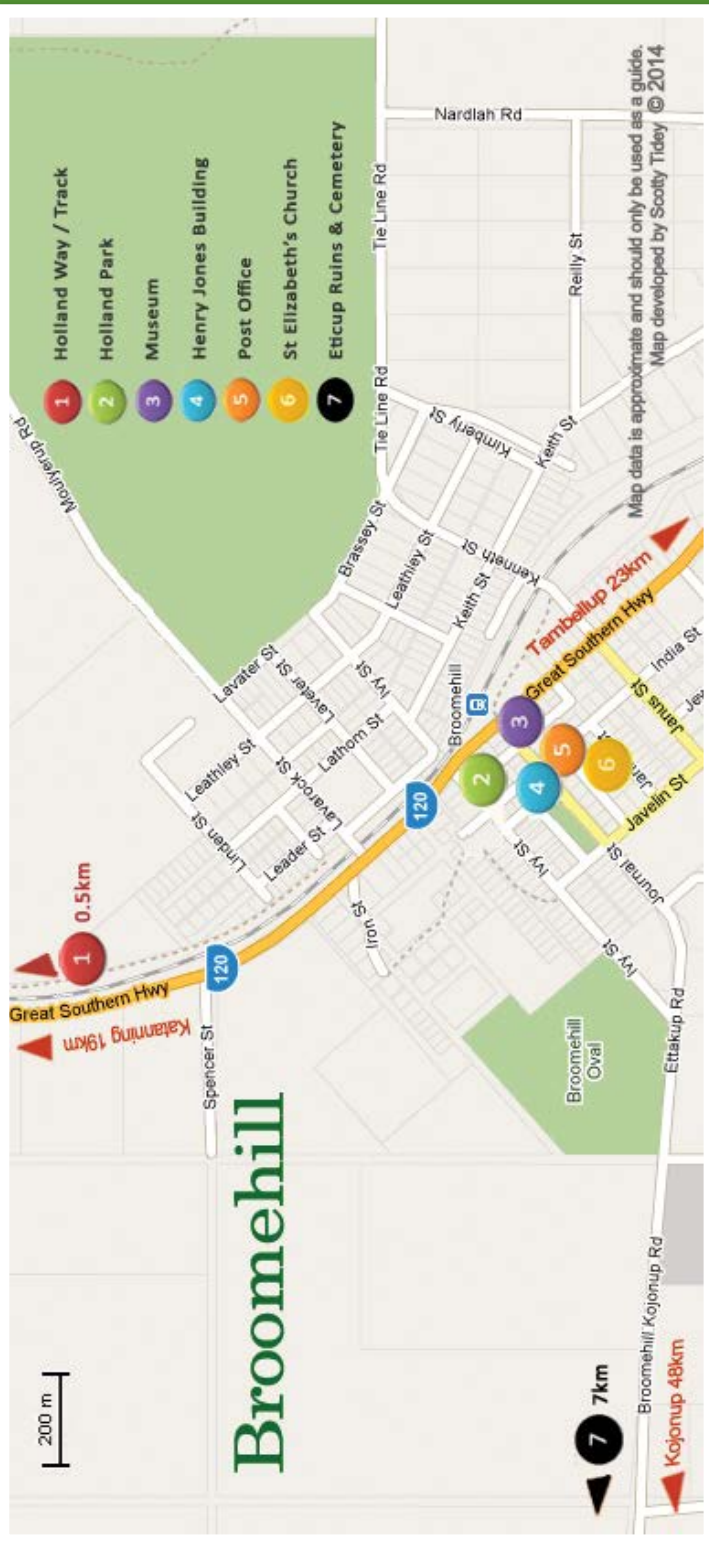
## ➔ ANZAC Memorials in the Hidden Treasures Region

2014 marks the 100th Anniversary of the departure of the first ANZAC convoy from King Georges Sound in Albany Western Australia. A commemorative events program begins on 30 October 2014 and will continue through to 2018. Across the Great Southern region there will be a number of commemorative and community events and activities. Come and visit some of the many memorial sites around the Hidden Treasures region and we invite you to contact local RSL Clubs, the Shires of the Hidden Treasures, or visit the Hidden Treasures Website for information on events and activities being held during this time. [www.hiddentreasures.com.au](http://www.hiddentreasures.com.au)

Major events are also planned for Albany and more details can be found at [www.anzacalbany.com.au](http://www.anzacalbany.com.au)

Come and see this beautiful region and take a moment to commemorate those lost and those who served at Gallipoli and on the Western Front, and all of those who have served our country.





## → Broomehill

### ↳ HISTORY

The town of Broomehill was developed after the completion of the Great Southern Railway in 1889. Prior to this, Etipup a coach stop on the old Albany Road 8km west of Broomehill was the only town in the area.

At the gate of Etipup there is a plaque identifying the layout of the town. It is hard to imagine that this was once a thriving community with stores, an Inn, Blacksmith's and dwellings, packed up and moved 8km east to establish the new town site of Broomehill.

### ↳ SIGHTSEEING

The best way to experience and get a feel for Broomehill is to take a leisurely walk around town. Why not take a self guided tour and discover some of the little heritage gems. A free town map can be picked up from the old Shire Office to help guide you around.



**HOLLAND TRACK** <sup>1</sup> This drive Trail will take you on a 600km journey all the way to Coolgardie. Options are to follow the Original Holland Track by 4 wheel drive, or travel the Holland Way on gravel roads either 2 or 4 wheel drive (we recommend that you check at the Shire during wet periods before setting off.) If you like bush walking this is just one of your options available around Broomehill, which is surrounded by natural bush land teeming with fauna and flora particularly in spring.

## 2 HOLLAND PARK & SHERIDAN'S MEMORIAL GARDEN

This shady oasis is ideal to break your travel, with playground and free barbeque facilities available.



**3 BROOMEHILL MUSEUM** This is another little treasure worth a visit. Sadly it can't be open every day so we encourage you to call Ern (9824 1378) will be more than happy to arrange to have it open for your visit.



**4 HENRY JONES BUILDING** This is one of the social hubs of the Broomehill community. Built in 1911 as a General Store, Bank and Bakery, owners have been lovingly restoring this magnificent old man to his former glory. Now home to a Cafe, Restaurant, Winery, Art & Craft Gallery and Bed & Breakfast. Call in and let Jim and Annabel share their vision and passion while you enjoy fine food and local wine. Open every day except Monday. 9824 1513

## 5 BROOMEHILL POST OFFICE

Purpose built in 1892 this little gem has hardly changed in over 100 years. There's no horse and cart but mail and essential items still get delivered to farm gates.

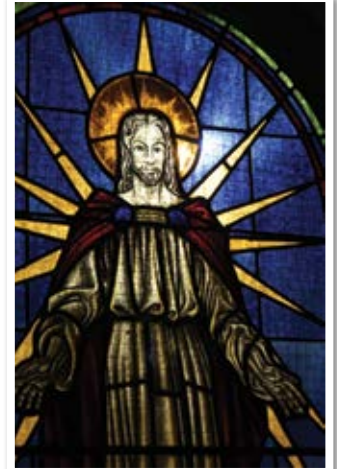


## 6 ST ELIZABETH'S CHURCH

Built in 1892 as a police station and then later converted to a church, this quaint little treasure is worth a look. Open every day.

### ➤ DON'T MISS

**BOOT ROCK** Mother Nature's unique rock formations can be found all over WA, Broomehill has Boot Rock. It's part of a reserve that borders on the southern side of town where you will also find 130 species of natural vegetation. So put your walking boots on and explore this little jewel Mother Nature has created.



## 7 ETICUP AND THE POSTIES RUN

Take a drive west, follow our 100 year old Mail run and discover some of Broomehill's outer hidden treasures, Etipup Cemetery, Sunnyside & Fairfield Home Stead's, Oaklands School, Flat Rocks Tennis Club, Wadjekanup Bridge to name a few interesting sites you will see and explore. Maps are available at the old Shire Office.



### ➤ ACCOMMODATION

- Imperial Hotel
- Broomehill Caravan Park
- a /hrs
- Henry Jones B&B

9824 1222  
9825 3555  
0428 253 073  
9824 1513

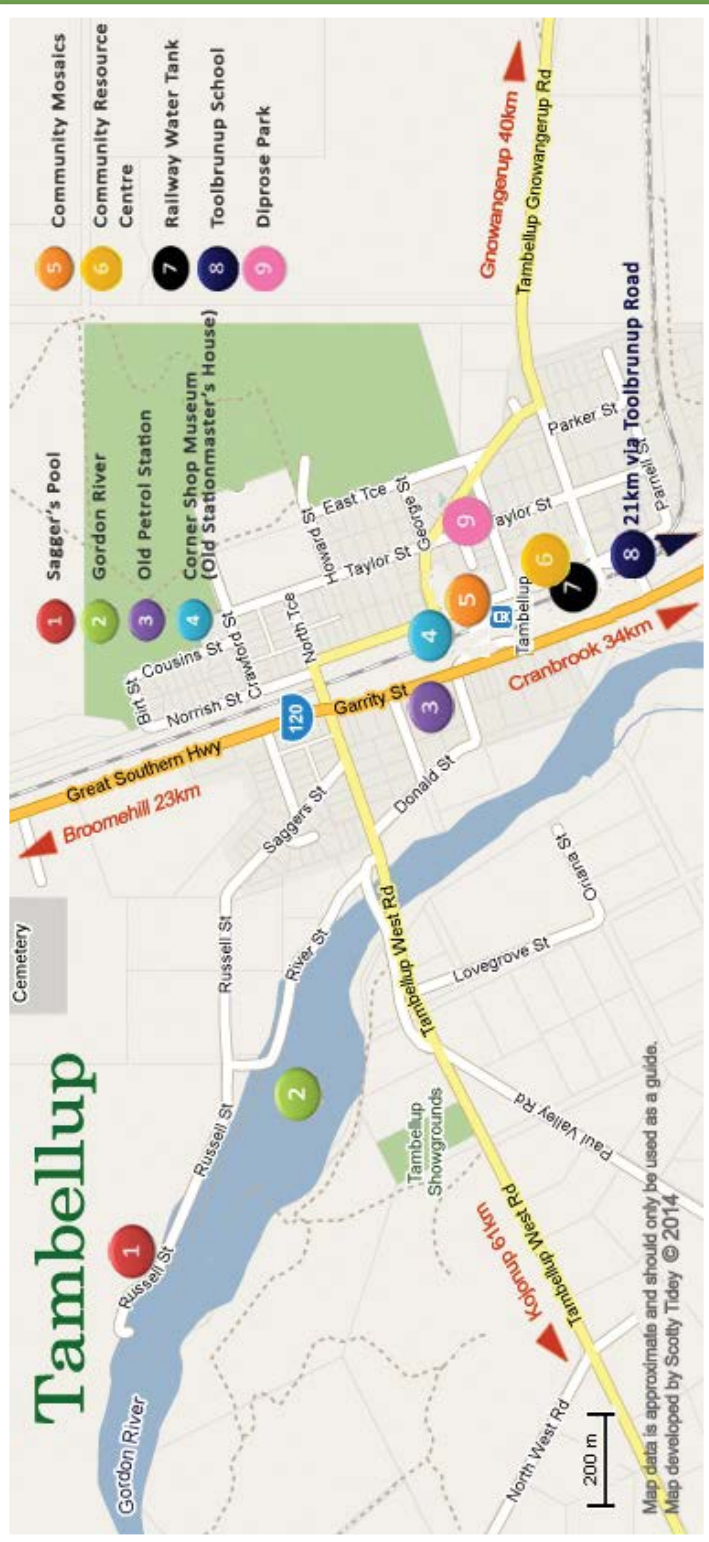
### ➤ FOOD

- Henry Jones Cafe
- Imperial Hotel

9824 1513  
9824 1222

Shire webpage: [www.shirebt.wa.gov.au](http://www.shirebt.wa.gov.au)

Shire of Broomehill Tambellup, Norrish St Tambellup. 9825 3555



## ➔ Tambellup

### ➤ HISTORY

Tambellup's original settler was Mr Josiah Norrish, who took up property east of the present town site in 1872. Mr Norrish originally concentrated on sandalwood cutting but later became involved in sheep breeding. Following the opening of the Great Southern Railway line in 1889, settlers began to arrive and the town was declared in 1899.

Tambellup is situated 328km south-east of Perth and has a population of 675 people. It is in the heart of a mixed grain and sheep farming belt and falls within the Local Government boundary of the Shire of Broomehill Tambellup.



### ➤ SIGHTSEEING

**TAMBELLUP HERITAGE TRAIL** is a series of three interconnecting trails that start in the centre of town and takes in much of the history of the early settlement.

1. The town trail is a loop that follows a 600m self-guided walk with information boards and plaques along the way.

2. The river trail is to the north of town and is more than 2km in length. The stories are told on orientation boards at the start and in the pamphlet.

3. The noongar trail, 1500 metres, is south of the town along the Gordon River and takes in the landscape of the river and reserve.





Brochures on the trails available at the Tambellup Community Resource Centre or Shire Office.

#### 4 CORNER SHOP MUSEUM

is situated in the old Stationmaster's House adjacent to the railway line on Norrish Street. Rooms have been recreated using furniture and artefacts of bygone years. For a viewing please contact Anne-Marie Lockyer on 9825 1054.



**DIPROSE PARK** is a newly reconstructed park with children's play area, outdoor fitness centre, free barbeque and toilets. Located on the corner of Crowden and Taylor Street it is a fantastic place for a picnic or to take a break from your long drive.

**TAMBELLUP COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE** The main hub of the town. Located in a building more than 100 years old, originally run as a "Gentleman's Club", it still has original historic etched windows and interior fixtures. The Tambellup CRC offers a wide range of services from Broadband Internet, digital photo processing, Centrelink and Medicare access points, tourist information and giftware, library and of course a friendly smile.

Open Monday to Friday 9.30am - 4pm. 9825 1177



#### 7 DON'T MISS

**RAILWAY WATER TANK** One of the few remaining links to the days when the Great Southern depended on steam trains. Unfortunately the tank is now gone but the tank stand remains. Just to the north of the tank are indicators from the 1955 and 1982 floods to show how far the Gordon River rose, it is very hard to imagine.



#### 8 TOOLBRUNUP SCHOOL

The school is now 100 years old with the original blackboard and desks. The school is kept preserved by a team of dedicated locals and is well worth a visit. It is located along the Toolbrunup Road (4km south along the Great Southern Hwy) and is used widely for picnics and even the odd wedding.



**TAMBELLUP AGRICULTURAL SHOW** One of the last country community shows located on the main street with free entry, kids entertainment, product display stalls and community exhibitions. Held on the 2nd Saturday of October and is always a great family day out.

#### 9 ACCOMMODATION

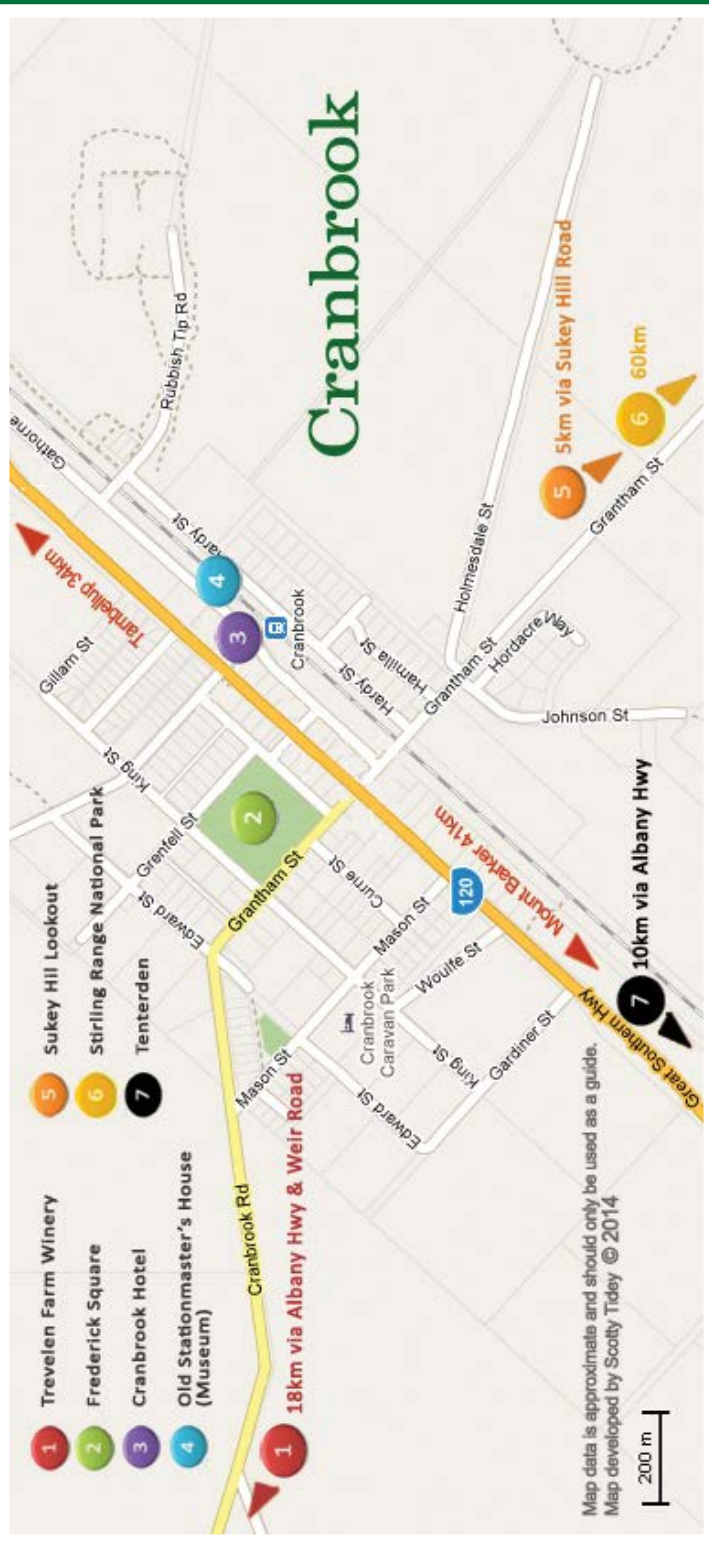
- Tambellup B&B 9825 1182
- Tambellup Caravan Park 9825 3555
- a/hrs 0488 012 172
- Tambellup Hotel 9825 1010

#### FOOD

- Tambellup Deli 9825 1105
- Tambellup Post Cafe 9825 1169

Shire of Broomehill Tambellup, Norrish St Tambellup. 9825 3555





## → Cranbrook

### ↳ HISTORY

Cranbrook is situated 4km from the intersection of the Albany and Great Southern Highways. In the late 1850's farming leases were bought in the area after an overland route was established between Perth and Albany. The Cranbrook area developed into a productive wool and agricultural area.



In 1886 works began on a railway line to connect Perth to Albany. As the steam trains needed a regular water supply, the centre of the district was moved from Tenterden to Cranbrook for better access to a suitable dam catchment area. The town was gazetted in 1899 and the name Cranbrook was given by JA Wright who was born in Cranbrook, England and he was the engineer in charge of the construction of the railway line.

The town soon flourished with the completion of the railway line and Cranbrook became the central loading point for wool, sheep, sandalwood and grain. By the 1900's sandalwood and mallee bark were productive industries.

### ↳ SIGHTSEEING

- 4 CRANBROOK MUSEUM** This was the first brick house built in the town and was the Station Master's House. It is the oldest house still standing in Cranbrook. It was built soon after the completion of the railway line in 1889. Located in Gathorne Street it is open by appointment only by contacting Bernie Climie on 0407 261 123



- 5 SUKEY HILL LOOKOUT** Located 5km east of the townsite, off Salt River Road. Take advantage of the view to the salt lakes to the north and east, farmlands to the west and panoramic view of the Stirling Range to the south. The area is abundant in wildflowers in spring.



**1 TREVELEN FARM WINES** has a beautiful outlook across the Stirling Range. Its picturesque gardens and outstanding wines are a must see and taste in the region. The cellar door is open by appointment. Contact 9826 1052.



**6 STIRLING RANGE NATIONAL PARK** Cranbrook is the Gateway to the Stirling Range National Park. Much of the National Park is located within the boundary of the Cranbrook Shire. Many walk tracks exist throughout the park which gives visitors a close view of the flora and fauna. The area was National Heritage Listed as one of the top 10 biodiversity hotspots in the world in 2009.



**WILDFLOWER WALK** On Salt River Road 300m past the Gateway to the Stirlings sign there is a picnic and parking area on the left. The circuit walk is 1.7km long and is fully signposted indicating the flora and fauna to be found in the area. It has impressive native flora including a number of spectacular orchids and is at its best in spring.



#### ARTS AND CRAFTS

**CRANBROOK ART GROUP** meets weekly and produces some outstanding works. Works are on display at the Gillamii Centre on Great Southern Highway, Cranbrook. Contact Mindy Walsh 0447 261 030

**NUNIJUP PATCH WORK GROUP** this group are passionate about patchwork and meet regularly to enjoy their craft. They have held a number of airing of the quilt displays in conjunction with the Annual Spring Art Trail and Bloom Festivals. Contact Lyn Barrett 9851 7172

#### ANNUAL PHOTO EXHIBITION

Each year the Shire of Cranbrook sponsor a photographic competition which has displayed the wide range of talented photographers in the region. The exhibition is held each year in September for the Annual Spring Art Trail and Bloom Festivals. Contact the Shire of Cranbrook for details.



#### ACCOMMODATION

- Cranbrook is an RV Friendly town and has a dump point in the Caravan park. The RV parking area is available to CMCA members.
- Cranbrook Caravan Park, Mason St 0429 942 825  
The park facilities include 26 powered bays, 2 bedroom self-contained park home, Chalet sleeps 4 self-contained kitchen only. It is a leafy, peaceful park with full time caretakers.
- Cranbrook Hotel 9826 1002
- Cranbrook Rail Carriage Accommodation 0427 261 090
- CBH Accommodation Unit (Shire) 9826 1008  
This is a 12 room complex. Each room is very neat and simple, with a King single bed, ensuite bathroom and communal kitchen and outdoor area. Great for groups.

#### FOOD

- Cranbrook Supermarket 9826 1026
- Stirling Gate Cafe 0456 748 349
- Nanna Vics 0408 220 458
- Cranbrook Hotel 9826 1002

#### TOURIST INFORMATION

- Shire of Cranbrook, 19 Gathorne St, Cranbrook 9826 1008
- Gillamii Centre, Great Southern Hwy, Cranbrook 9826 1234
- Cranbrook Caravan Park, Mason St, Cranbrook 0429 942 825

24hr fuel located on Hordacre Way, Cranbrook. Use your debit or credit card to purchase fuel 24hrs.

Shire of Cranbrook, 19 Gathorne St Cranbrook. 9826 1008

## 7 → Tenterden

### ↘ HISTORY

The area was first settled in the 1860s when pastoralists started grazing sheep near Round Swamp. With its mild temperatures and good rainfall (annual average of 510 mm) it was ideal sheep country. The town site is located on the Great Southern Railway line. The siding was established in 1891 and shortly afterward the government made land available for agricultural purposes in the area. The town name, originally called Round Swamp, was changed when the town was gazetted in 1893 and is named after a town six miles from the Hon JA Wright's birthplace in England.

### ↘ FOOD

- TENTERDEN GENERAL STORE. Fresh produce, groceries, fuel, takeaway, coffee. Located on Albany Hwy. 9851 7221

## → Frankland River

### ↘ HISTORY

Frankland River was named by the surgeon Dr Thomas Braidwood Wilson in 1829. He named Frankland River after George Frankland (1800–38), who was the Surveyor General in Van Diemen's Land in 1829. Wilson's explorations helped to show that conditions in the interior were suitable for farming and settlers soon began to move inland. The area was settled in 1857.

The state government set aside land for the townsite by 1909 and built a hall and a school. No further developments took place for some time and the townsite was not declared until 1947. The town and region were known as Frankland River until 1935. However after the building of a local post office, the postmaster shortened the name to Frankland because "Frankland River" was considered too long to fit on signs and documents. The name was changed back to Frankland River in 2007.

One of Western Australia's best kept secrets, the Frankland River wine region is home to rolling hills, rich and productive farming land, natural forest and bush, abounding with unique native wildflowers. With a diverse range of grape varieties grown, it is



most noted for its Shiraz and Riesling varieties. Visitors can spend the day visiting modern cellar doors including Alkoomi, Bobtail Ridge, Ferngrove and Frankland Estate and taste first hand the distinct flavours the region has to offer. Frankland River's warm days and cool nights along with the unique location and soil profiles contribute to the uniqueness, quality and success of the wines.

### ↘ SIGHTSEEING

- 2 **LAKE POORARECUP** is the largest lake in the area and is popular for swimming and skiing during the summer months. Change rooms, toilets & BBQ facilities are available on site. Camping is available at the Lake. How to get there: Proceed to waypoint 13km east of Frankland River on Cranbrook Frankland Road. Turn south onto Lake Poorrarecup Road. Proceed on dirt road for 9km. Turn west onto track for 200m to picnic area on lake.

- 3 **LAKE NUNIJUP** is also used for swimming and has BBQ facilities.

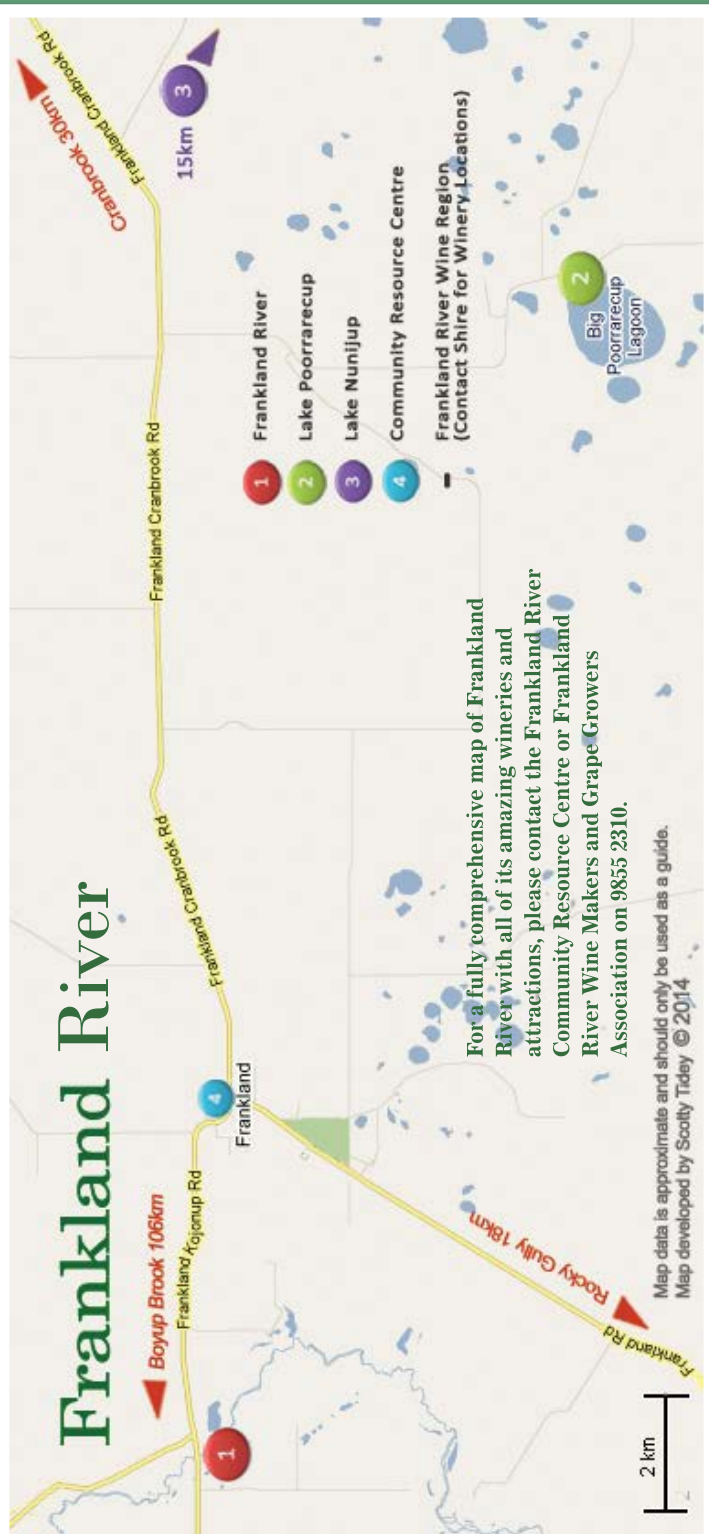


How to get there: Turn west off Albany Highway at Kendenup onto Martagallup Road. Proceed north-west for 19.7km to waypoint. Turn east onto dirt road for about 700m to picnic area on lake.

### ↘ DON'T MISS

**FERNGROVE WINERY** is open for Cellar Door Sales Mon - Sat 10am to 4pm Ph 9855 2378. Enjoy the stunning views from the top of the tower and the balcony.

# Frankland River



**ALKOOMI WINES** has fine wines and olive oils and is open daily from 10am-5pm. Enjoy wine, picnic and the outstanding view from the lawns. Alkoomi has accommodation chalets and function room hire available Ph 9855 2229.

**BOBTAIL RIDGE WINES** is open daily from 10am - 4pm Ph 9856 6289. Bobtail ridge is set in stunning bushland and offers Bed and Breakfast Accommodation.

**FRANKLAND ESTATE** is open Mon – Fri 10am – 4pm, public holidays and weekends by appointment Ph 9855 1544.

**FRANKLAND RIVER OLIVE COMPANY** grows and produces Jingilli extra virgin olive oils.



## ACCOMMODATION

- Frankland River Caravan Park 0428 304 489  
New facilities, 12 powered bays, camp kitchen, new ablution and laundry facilities, lovely grass tent area and shaded grass area for a picnic.
- Ferngrove Chalets 9855 2378
- Frankland River Chalets 9855 2229
- Bobtail Ridge B & B 9856 6289

## FOOD

- Foxy's General Store 9855 2265
- Frankland River Diner 9855 2290

## TOURIST INFORMATION

- Frankland River Community Resource Centre 9855 2310

Shire of Cranbrook, Gathorne St Cranbrook. 9826 1008



## ➔ Borden and the Stirling Range

### ➤ HISTORY

Borden was gazetted as a town in 1916. The name was proposed by the Secretary for Railways as the name of a siding on the then new Tambellup-Ongerup Railway. It was named after the Right Honourable Sire Robert Laird Borden, the 8th Prime Minister of Canada (1911-1920), although there is no record of why.

In the early years at the height of the sandalwood trade, Paper Collar Creek was a meeting point for the sandalwood cutters as they travelled between the hinterland and the port. When they headed to town, they would dress up their shirts with collars made of paperbark to impress the ladies, and then discard the paper collar near the creek on the way back.



Sandalwood Road near the Amelup store is another reminder of one of Western Australia's first export industries. Amelup is now known for its CAUTION, NUDISTS CROSSING sign where gentlemen can create their own unique photo memento from the waist up by standing behind the sign.



Borden continues to be the service centre for outlying farms. In the past few years the town has witnessed the rapid expansion of the Cooperative Bulk Handling (CBH) bin into a strategic receival point for grain from all over the region.

And as the closest town to the Stirling Range, the Borden area is ideally located to provide accommodation and other essential services for those wishing to explore this region.

### ➤ SIGHTSEEING

- 1 THE PUB BORDEN** if you enjoy a great night out the Pub Borden is the place for you. Open Monday – Saturday 3pm til late & Sunday 3pm-10pm for meals and drinks. Book a table for dinner in advance and receive free garlic bread! Ph: 9828 1103





**2 NIGHTWELL MINERAL SPRING** Located 13km along Nightwell Road, south of Borden off Chester Pass Road. Legend has it that it was called Nightwell because the water only flowed from the ground at night time, never during the day.



**6 STIRLING RANGE NATIONAL PARK** is where nature lovers come to see the abundance of flora and fauna or test themselves hiking, abseiling and rock climbing. It has some of the best mountain walks in Western Australia, but walkers must always carry water and be prepared for sudden weather change as mountain mists, wind chill and rain can occur at

any time. Light snow sometimes falls on the higher peaks during winter but it rarely lasts more than several hours. The walks on offer include Bluff Knoll (1096m), Toolbrunup (1052m), Ellen Peak (1012m), Mount Trio (856m), Mount Magog (856m), Mount Hassell (847m) and Talyuberlup Peak (783m).

The park is also home to an abundance of wildlife including kangaroos and wallabies, emus, rare spiders, numbats, eagles, black and white cockatoos and numerous other native birds. It is also one of the most outstanding botanical reserves in Australia and is noted for its spectacular wildflowers, some of which are unique to the area and cannot be found growing in their natural state anywhere else in the world. The best time to view the wildflowers is during spring from August to November.



**BORDEN GAZEBO BBQ AREA** offers a great place for a travel stop. Situated adjacent to the Borden General Store.

## ➤ DON'T MISS

**ABSEILING AND ROCK CLIMBING** are both permitted in the Stirling Range National Park.

## 7 HIDDEN TREASURES ORCHID

**WILDFLOWER AND BIRD TOURS** From 15 August to 31 October, Hidden Treasures Wildflower and Orchid Tours leave the Stirling Range Retreat daily at 9am (duration 3 hrs). Dusk and Dawn Bird Walks (8am and 3pm) are held at the Retreat daily by Birds Australia volunteers from mid September to 31 October (duration 1.5 hrs). Guided Nature Tours are available on request, if a guide is available, from November mid to August. For more information please call 9827 9229 or visit the website [www.stirlingrange.com.au](http://www.stirlingrange.com.au)



**4 BUSHWALKING** For lovely easy walks, the Mabinup Creek Trail and the Mabinup Track are accessible from the Mt Trio Bush Camping and Caravan Park. There are also various other walk trails from 1.5 hrs to 2 or 3 days throughout the Stirling Range.

## ➤ ACCOMMODATION

- Stirling Range Retreat 9827 9229
- Mongup Farm 9827 9234  
0429 179 234
- The Lodge & Guesthouse Borden 9827 9234
- Yardup Cottage 9827 9209
- Mt Trio Bush Camping and Caravan Park 9827 9270
- The Lily, guided windmill tours, wine and Spelt flour sales 9827 9205
- Glenelg Quarters 9827 9274

## ➤ FOOD

- The Pub Borden 9828 1103
- Bluff Knoll Cafe 9827 9293
- The Lily Restaurant 9827 9205
- Borden General Store, Takeaway only 9828 1045
- Amelup Roadhouse, Takeaway only 9827 9222

No fuel available in Borden

Shire of Gnowangerup, Yongenup Rd Gnowangerup. 9827 1007





## → Gnowangerup

### ↳ HISTORY

The name Gnowangerup is derived from the Aboriginal word 'Ngow', meaning Malleefowl. For thousands of years, the plains around Gnowangerup were home to the Goreng Noongars, evidenced by stone implements still found along the creeks. In the mid nineteenth century, sandalwood cutters established camps in the area, but European settlement was slow until the completion of the railway line from Tambellup in 1912.



### ↳ SIGHTSEEING

**1** **AYLMORE MINERAL SPRINGS** are located along Park Road and are set amongst a beautiful picnic & BBQ area. The high iron content in the water accounts for the unusual colour. The springs flow at over 2 litres per second.



- 2** **GNOWANGERUP HISTORIC CENTRE** is located on Yougenup Road. The Centre contains displays, early photographs and a written history of the town and the district. Open by appointment AH contact 9827 1267 or 9827 1371.
- 3** **STEAM TRACTOR** Located in the front garden of the Shire Administration Building. Imported in 1889, the tractor was used to



clear much of the local countryside and is a well-restored relic of an era long gone.

- 4 NED KELLY AT THE GNOWANGERUP HOTEL** View the impressive wood carving of Ned Kelly at the front of the Gnowangerup Hotel and learn the fascinating link with Gnowangerup, Glen Rowan and the Kelly Story.



- 5 GNOWANGERUP COMMUNITY PARK** is a great place to stop and enjoy the surroundings. Built in 2009 it features a playground, BBQ and toilet facilities among beautiful gardens.

- 8 MACHINERY MUSEUM** On the corner of Strathaven and Yougenup Roads you'll find examples of the early machinery the first settlers used to make a living for their families and bring prosperity to WA.

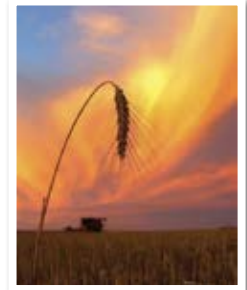
- 7 GNOWANGERUP ABORIGINAL MUSEUM AND KEEPING PLACE** This museum was recently opened in 2014. It shows the history of the indigenous people, associated with the Mission and Stirling Range, who used the plains as hunting grounds for thousands of years.



#### ➤ DON'T MISS

**ARTS FOR GNOW** is located inside the Yougenup Centre, Yougenup Road. One off pieces of art, originating from the local hinterland, are on display in the Centre's art gallery.

- 6 COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE** inside the Yougenup Centre offers visitors a place to come and check their email, provides services from Centrelink, Medicare, ATO, Westnet and equipment for faxing, photocopying and printing. Also located in the Yougenup Centre is the Gnowangerup & Districts Toy Library and Public Library. Temporary loaners welcome. Open 5 days per week 9827 1635.



**ELVIS PRESLEY MEMORABILIA** at the Gnowangerup Road House. Elvis himself has been sighted here more than once. The King lives!

**MALLEEFOWL CARVING** located in the Shire Administration Building.

#### ➤ ACCOMMODATION

• Gnowangerup Hotel	9827 1013
• Gnowangerup B&B	9827 1278
• Gnowangerup Travel Stop	9827 1635
• Gnowangerup Training Centre	9827 2100

#### ➤ FOOD

• Gnowangerup Roadhouse	9827 1239
• Saddlers Butchers	9827 1254
• Gnowangerup IGA	9827 1109
• Gnowangerup Hotel	9727 1013

Shire of Gnowangerup, Yougenup Rd Gnowangerup. 9827 1007



# Ongerup



## → Ongerup

### ↘ HISTORY

The name Ongerup is derived from 'Yongerup', a Noongar word meaning 'place of the male kangaroo'. In 1910, the land was surveyed into 1,000 acre blocks, and after the opening of the Gnowangerup-Ongerup railway in 1913, settlement in the area gradually increased.

### ↘ SIGHTSEEING

- 1 YONGERGNOW AUSTRALIAN MALLEEFOWL CENTRE** This award winning centre for community, culture and conservation focuses on the conservation of the mallee and one of its most intriguing inhabitants: the endangered Malleefowl. Visitors have the rare opportunity to view this magnificent bird in a 1200m<sup>2</sup> natural habitat aviary. Enjoy a snack at the café, journey back through history in the centre's world-class Fowl Play mallee exhibition or explore the beautiful bush and wildflowers (in season) on one of the centres walk trails. Yongernow is a Bendigo Bank Southern Art & Craft Trail Venue. Local products & souvenirs are available, as is

barista style coffee & light homemade refreshments from the café.

Yongernow is open on Mon, Wed, Thu 9am to 4pm, Sat, Sun 10am to 4pm, and closed on

Tuesdays, Fridays, 24, 25 & 26 December and New Year's Day. ph: 08 9828 2325 email: [visitor@yongernow.com.au](mailto:visitor@yongernow.com.au), web [www.yongernow.com.au](http://www.yongernow.com.au)

**MALLEEFOWL PRESERVATION GROUP** Malleefowl are the only mound building birds which inhabit arid and semi arid areas.

They incubate their eggs not by sitting on them but by building an incubator mound of soil and leaf litter. In days gone by, Malleefowl were a common sight in the Shire of





Gnowangerup (Noongar for 'place of Malleefowl') and throughout the wheatbelt. Due to loss of habitat and the introduction of feral predators, this mysterious bird is now recognised as an endangered species. The

Malleefowl Preservation Group was founded in Ongerup to raise awareness on the plight of this iconic species. Its office is located at Yongergnow. ph 08 9828 2007, email: malleefowl@wn.com.au, web: www.malleefowl.com.au

**2 PICNIC SPOTS** Ongerup has The Ongerup Shearer & two very pleasant picnic spots. Apex Park on Eldridge Street has a shady bush area with chairs and a table and is close to the general store. Weir Park has undercover BBQ and playground equipment. The Ongerup street sculptures are located on Eldridge Street and are unusual pieces of metalwork created by scrap metal and old pieces of machinery.

**3 ONGERUP PUBLIC HALL AND CENTENARY GARDENS** The Hall was built in 1953. The foyer, library and meeting room were added in 1968. Come and sit outside on the Centennial Wall and enjoy the beautiful rose garden.

#### ➤ DON'T MISS

#### YONGERGNOW - ONGERUP COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE

Come and see the friendly staff for all your photocopying, desktop publishing, computer and internet requirements. The CRC is your contact for Medicare and Centrelink. It organises the annual Mother's Day Bonanza, the annual pre-harvest breakfast and publishes the weekly newsletter The Grapevine. The CRC is housed at Yongergnow and has the same opening hours. ph 9828 2325, email ongerup@crc.net.au



**4 ONGERUP/NEEDILUP DISTRICT MUSEUM**  
Constructed in 1918 as railway barracks, the building became obsolete when the railway

service was suspended in 1957. It now houses the Ongerup/Needilup District Museum. It has been set up to reflect the early settlers' lifestyle, with the primitive machinery they relied upon as well

as household appliances and a natural display. The museum also has an Aboriginal and early settler food and medicine display as well as a replica Malleefowl mound. Open any time on request by contacting either Vicki O'Neill on 9828 2282 or 0428 282 282.



#### ONGERUP WILDFLOWER DISPLAY

A must for wildflower lovers! The annual botanical event is held during late September and early October at the Ongerup/Needilup District Museum. View 400 to 500 specimens of stunning local wildflowers and orchids. Photographers are welcome. Please contact Vicki O'Neill on 9828 2282 for more details.

#### ➤ ACCOMMODATION

- Curlew Creek B&B 9828 2106
- Ongerup Gardens Caravan Park 0406 689 212
- Ongerup Hotel 9828 2001
- Tarbunkup Homestead 0408 908 311
- Ongerup Duplex 9828 2090
- Ongerup Duplex 9828 2082

#### ➤ FOOD

- Ongerup Hotel 9828 2001
- Ongerup Roadhouse, closed Sundays 9828 2043
- Yongergnow Café, group bookings essential 9828 2325

Shire of Gnowangerup, Yougenup Rd Gnowangerup. 9827 1007





## ➔ Bremer Bay

### ➤ HISTORY

The bay, after which the town derives its name, is believed to have been named by John Septimus Roe, the Surveyor General, who visited the area in 1831. It is assumed that Roe named it after James John Gordon Bremer, captain of the 'TAMAR' under whom he served between 1824 and 1827.

Bremer Bay was originally named Wellstead in 1951 but locals petitioned to have the town renamed to what it was locally known as, this being Bremer Bay and it was changed in 1962.

### ➤ SIGHTSEEING

**BEACHES** some of the most beautiful 'pristine white' beaches in the world are around Bremer Bay and most are excellent swimming spots. John Cove - a safe swimming beach and good for small children, Short Beach - deep water and good fishing, Blossoms Beach - good family beach, Native Dog - good surfing,



watch the rip and Point Ann (map ref 1) - breathtakingly beautiful and sometimes good surf.

**FISHING** is plentiful in Bremer Bay. On and off shore fish varieties range from herring, skippy and salmon to deeper water varieties such as nannygai, snapper, groper and a host of others. The Bremer River also provides for bream and mullet.

**DIVING** along the coral reefs offer another spectacular world just under the surface. You'll be able to see the leafy sea dragon, a rare and vulnerable relative of the sea horse. You can hire gear, fill your tanks or even take a diving course at Bremer Bay Dive and Sports.



## ➤ DON'T MISS

**2 BREMER BAY WIND TURBINE** was commissioned in April 2005 and over a full year will provide up to 40% of Bremer Bays annual electricity requirements.



**3 WELLSTEAD HOMESTEAD AND MUSEUM**, situated 3km south of Bremer Bay, it is the original settlement in the region. John Wellstead arrived in WA in 1848



with Britain's 51st Regiment. After favourable recommendations from John Septimus Roe, John settled in Bremer Bay in 1850 and built the homestead. The fourth generation Wellstead family still reside at the homestead, which is open to the public and includes a museum, artefacts, outbuildings and antiques. The Shearing Shed is now fully restored with full display of shearing equipment.

**WHALE WATCHING** From July to October each year, Southern Right whales can be seen calving in the calm waters of the many sheltered bays. At times they are as close as six metres from the shore. Point Anne is one of the favourite viewing spots.



## ➤ ACCOMMODATION

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| • Bremer Bay Caravan Park                    | 9837 4018 |
| • Bremer Bay Resort                          | 9837 4133 |
| • Bremer Bay Beaches Resort and Tourist Park | 9837 4042 |
| • Wellstead Homestead Cottages               | 9837 4042 |
| • Quaaluq Homestead Wilderness Retreat       | 9837 4124 |

## ➤ FOOD

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| • Bremer Bay Roadhouse                      | 9837 4093 |
| • Bremer Bay General Store and Liquor Store | 9837 4015 |
| • Bremer Bay Resort                         | 9837 4133 |
| • Museum Restaurant and Cafe                | 9837 4313 |
| • Misti's on the Peninsula                  | 9837 4290 |

Bremer Bay Community Resource Centre located on Mary Street and includes the Bremer Bay Visitor Centre. Call in for all your photocopying, internet, ATO, Medicare and Centrelink needs. 9837 4171.

**4** Shire of Jerramungup, Vasey St Jerramungup. 9835 1022

## ➔ Jerramungup

### ➤ HISTORY

Jerramungup was first recorded by Surveyor General John Septimus Roe in October 1848, and derives its name from the aboriginal word "Jeer-a-mung-up" meaning "place of upstanding yate trees". In 1849 the land was purchased by Captain John Hassell and the original stone homestead was built along the Gairdner River, the property of 21,000 acres was called "Jerramungup".



When World War Two finished, the Commonwealth and State Governments initiated bold and large-scale projects to repatriate thousands of Australian servicemen returning to civilian life, purchasing the original property in Jerramungup on 25 September 1950.

Jerramungup was established in 1953 as a war service land settlement and was arguably the biggest land development project ever accomplished in the western world in such a short period of time. Jerramungup town site was gazetted 12 February 1957.

### ➤ SIGHTSEEING

**1 FITZGERALD NATIONAL PARK** is situated on the edge of Jerramungup and covers 329,039 hectares. It is one of the largest botanically significant National Parks in Australia. It has



been UNESCO Biosphere Reserve-listed since 1978. This recognises internationally the park's balance between conserving biological diversity, promoting economic development and maintaining cultural values. The National Park has extremely diverse flora and fauna, featuring more than 1800 known species of plants, 75 of which are endemic to this area. There are 22 mammal, 41 reptile, 12 frog and over 200 bird species including the endangered ground parrot, living in the park.



**BUSHWALKING** there are a number of walk trails from 1 hour to 3 hours, as well as overnight walks. You're required to register with the ranger if you take an overnight journey. Most attractions can be reached on 2WD unsealed roads as well as quite a few 4WD trails. Ranger, Murray Road, Gairdner Ph: 08 9837 1022. Ranger, Quiss Rd, Jacup Ph: 08 9835 5043



**WHALE WATCHING** during the winter months (July to November) you can see Southern Right whales from the viewing platforms at Point Ann and along the coastline to Bremer Bay. Southern Right whales come into the sheltered bays for calving and can be as close as six metres from the shore. Humpback whales can also be seen as they make their way up the and down the coast. The number of whales has been increasing every year since hunting ceased in the 1970's.

**WILDFLOWERS** are found from August to October in and around the Fitzgerald National Park. Many rare species are only found in and around the Park, which include the Royal Hakea (*Hakea victoria*) and the Quaalup Bell (*Pimelia phytodes*).

- 2 **HASELL HOMESTEAD** was erected in 1906 when the original homestead was burnt to the ground. It is currently privately owned by one of the originating members of the crazy seven, who settled in Jerramungup with the War Service Land Settlement Scheme in 1954. The Homestead can be seen north of the Gairdner River Bridge 5km east of town on the South Coast Highway.
- 3 **MONKEY ROCK** situated on Monkey Rock Road, which turns off South Coast Highway 5km East of Jerramungup. Local legend has it that an Aboriginal called Monkey used to camp near the rock and was murdered there.



**JERRAMUNGUP TOURIST CENTRE** 4 is located at the Jerramungup Community Resource Centre, 8-10 Tobruk Rd Jerramungup Ph: 9835 1630. Open Monday to Friday 9:00am – 4:00pm.

**NIGHT SKY TOURS** are held at the Jerramungup B&B, 2km from town, providing the opportunity to view the stars with a 12 inch GPS track mounted telescope. Ph: 9835 1662.



**5 ROOT PICKERS HALL** opened in April 1958. So named as it was paid for, through volunteers picking mallee roots to clear the new land development.

**6 ROE PARK** named after Surveyor General John Septimus Roe, is located in the centre of town with playground, picnic and electric barbeque facilities available for use by the public. A memorial plaque to War Service Land Services Supervisor, Major Colin Cameron, can found in the south east corner of the park commemorating, Major Cameron's integral role overseeing the rapid development of Jerramungup as a war service land settlement.

**FITZGERALD BIOSPHERE GARDEN** located on the edge of Roe Park, the garden beds and their major landform "Ecozones" have been organised into areas and can be accessed via winding pathways through bushland, giving you the experience of the different landforms of the biosphere.

**LOCAL NATIVE FEATURE GARDEN** located at the Jerramungup Shire office on Vasey Street. This impressive garden showcases local native plants and rocks.

**7 QUAALUP HOMESTEAD** was built in 1958 and now serves as a guest lounge and café. There are wildflower walks, self-contained accommodation, caravan and camping facilities. Situated 47km from the South Coast Highway via Devils Creek Road in the Fitzgerald River National Park.

#### ➤ ACCOMMODATION

- Jerramungup Motel, 9835 1011
- Glentarkie Farmstay B&B, 9535 1006
- Quaalup Homestead, 9537 4124
- Jerramungup Caravan Park, 9835 1174
- Jerramungup B&B, 9835 1662

#### ➤ FOOD

- Jerramungup Roadhouse, 9835 1159
- Jerramungup Hotel, 9835 1011
- Tobruk Traders, 9835 1612

Shire of Jerramungup, Vasey St  
Jerramungup. 9835 1022

## ➔ Katanning

### ➤ HISTORY

Walk around the streets of Katanning and you're constantly slipping from the 21st century into the mid-19th century and back again. The signs are there that this is an important and vigorous farming centre, but then you turn a corner and see a graceful old family home from colonial days that seems frozen in time.



When people first settled here they planned to stay a long while. You can see it in the many heritage buildings, such as the Town Hall, the King George Hostel, Kobeelya and the Old Roller Flour Mill.



The Pochelli statue of Piesse, one of the town's founders, is in front of the Railway Station.

Katanning was originally known as Ke'tungup and was the junction of three Aboriginal tribal grounds long before European settlement.

### ➤ SIGHTSEEING

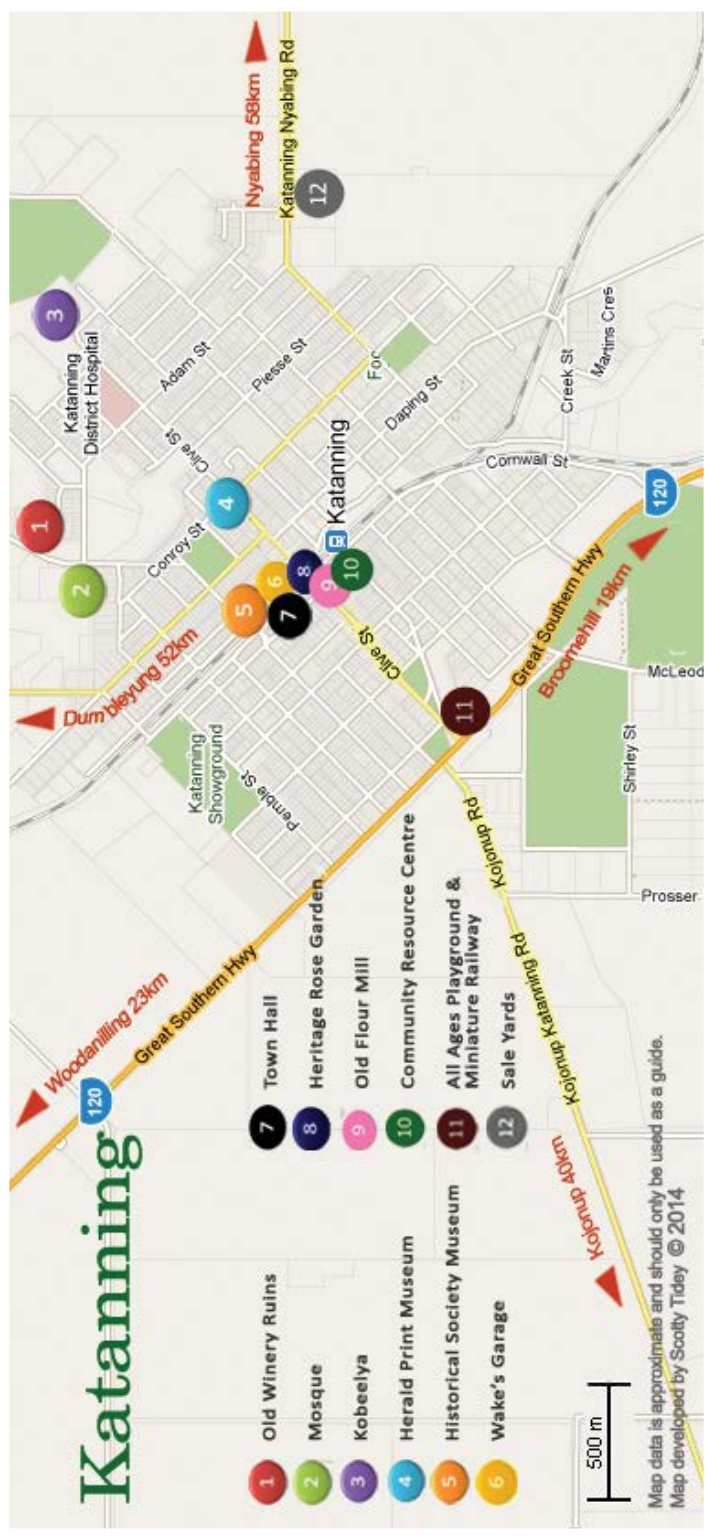
**2 THE MOSQUE** Katanning's large Muslim community originated from the Cocos and Christmas Islands. They have contributed to the diversity of the community and maintain their unique cultural identity by operating their own Mosque.

**3 KOBEELYA** is a stately home at the end of Clive Street and overlooks the township. Built in 1902 as a home for the Piesse family, it became a private boarding school for young ladies from well-to-do families. It is currently used for religious meetings and has accommodation and a function centre. You can still hear the giggles of past students on their way to the lovely little chapel. Stroll around or stay the night.



**4 HERALD PRINT MUSEUM** on the corner of Clive and Conroy Streets contains over 100 years of newspaper machinery and papers.

**5 KATANNING HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM** located on Richardson and Taylor Streets. Open every Sunday.



- 6 THE 1930'S WAKES GARAGE** some people never throw anything away and at Wakes Garage on Richardson Street they kept everything. You'll find a collection of things that 'just might come in handy some time'. It was established in 1938 and has the only dirt floor left in WA. It is the home of the first rotary engine invented which sits on its original workbench. Appointments through the Katanning Visitors Centre.



- 7 KATANNING TOWN HALL AND MECHANICS' INSTITUTE** The lower floor of this attractive building in Austral Terrace was completed in 1897. It started public life as the Agriculture Hall and after extensive renovations in 1928 it became known as the Town Hall. On the side, the Mechanics' Institute rooms still operate and proudly house three large billiard tables.

- 8 HERITAGE ROSE GARDEN** is located opposite the Town Hall and incorporates a Noongar Time Walk, Malay mosaic, the Pioneer Women's clock and roses dating back to 1830. This picturesque garden offers visitors a place to relax with large slab benches and a shaded gazebo.

- 9 THE FLOUR MILL** was one of the town's first major industries. The Piese family built it in 1891 and most of the mill equipment is still in place, although due to visitors risk the upper floors are closed.

#### ➤ DON'T MISS

- 12 KATANNING SALE YARDS** hold sheep auctions every Wednesday at 8.30am and continues until all stock is sold, time varies depending on the numbers yarded for that day. See the real Australia at work; dogs, trucks and action. Come and enjoy one of the biggest stock sale centres in Australia from the visitors viewing platform, while enjoying food from the onsite canteen.



- 11 THE MINI STEAM TRAIN AND ALL AGES PLAYGROUND** is not to be missed. This unique playground is for all ages, including very big kids and comes complete with a BBQ area. The Mini Steam Train chuffs around the park on the second and fourth Sunday of every month.



**POLICE POOLS NATURE RESERVE** hosts a rewarding walking trail through lovely and peaceful bush, with a boardwalk and an abundance of wildlife. Originally it was a police outstation from 1863.

**THE BADGEBUP CHURCH** This exquisite St Peters Church is found on the road between Katanning and Nyabing. It was built in 1922 and heritage listed in 1996. It is well worth a stop to have a look and you can even ring the old bell outside.

**KATANNING HARMONY FESTIVAL** celebrates diversity, community participation, inclusiveness and respect for all the different cultures that make Australia a great place to live in. The day features entertainment, food, art, activities, cooking shows, a multicultural fashion parade and more. Held on the second Sunday of March each year, the Festival promises colour, culture and excitement.

**LAKE EWLYAMARTUP** Water-skiers, kayakers, sailors, swimmers, picnickers and birdwatchers alike will enjoy a visit to this 100 ha recreation lake. Located 17 km east of Katanning on Langaweira Road, this lake has water for most of the year and is home to 95 species of birds. Picnic and boating facility upgrades are currently underway as part of a major restoration project being undertaken by the Katanning community.

**KATANNING AGRICULTURAL SHOW** held on the fourth Saturday of October at the Katanning Leisure Centre. Sideshow alley, exhibitions, entertainment, and more! A fun day out for the family.

#### ➤ ACCOMMODATION

- New Lodge Motel, 9821 1788
- Katanning Motel, 9821 1657
- Katanning Hotel, 9821 1900
- Federal Hotel, 9821 1010
- Kobeelya, 9821 2214
- Woodchester B&B, 9821 2214
- Royal Exchange Hotel, 9821 7550
- Emerald Gardens, 9821 1027
- Yellow Gum B&B, 0428 513 764
- Sunbeam Caravan Park, 9821 2165

#### ➤ FOOD

- BKW Cafeteria, 9821 2784
- Katz A La carte Restaurant, 9821 1657
- Hung Wins Chinese Restaurant, 9821 2086
- New Lodge Motel, 9821 1788
- The Grange Cafe, 9821 8098
- Old Mill Deli, 9821 1974
- Chicken Treat, 9821 4411
- BP Roadhouse, 9821 2165
- Wakes Rock 'N' Diner, 9821 1996
- Oscars Restaurant, 9821 7550
- The Daily Grind, 9821 7779
- Loretta at the Feddy, 9821 7128

Katanning Visitors Centre, Austral Terrace. 98212 634, AH 9821 4390  
Shire of Katanning, Austral Tce Katanning, 9821 9999

## ➔ Nyabing



#### ➤ HISTORY

Nyabing was gazetted as a town in 1912 after the Katanning railway line was extended. Centennial celebrations were held in

October 2012. Nyabing was originally known as Nampup, after the aboriginal name given to the soak in the area.

#### ➤ SIGHTSEEING

**NYABING CREEK NATURE RESERVE** showcases spring wildflowers and can be seen on a walk through the nature reserve. You'll also find sandalwood trees, a resource which brought our original settlers to the area as cutters.

- 1 KWOBURP DAM** If you are lucky enough, a visit here will allow you to see wildlife including western grey kangaroo, western brush wallaby, echidna, blue tongue lizard and a huge variety of birdlife.

**HOLLAND TRACK** In 1893, John Holland travelled to the Goldfields and this track marks his route. The track can be followed all the way to Coolgardie.

- 3 CBH GRAIN BINS** These massive white CBH Grain Bins are hard to miss, situated in the middle of the town. Thousands of tonnes of grain pass through here on the way to all parts of Australia and the rest of the world. You'll no doubt see grain trucks on the roads transporting the wheat to be used for noodles, bread and other baked goods, canola for oil and, very importantly, barley for beer.

**THE SETTLER'S HALL** was built to be used as a school and was officially opened in 1915. It has been moved from its original position on Martin St, where you'll see a Memorial Stone, to its present setting. Over the years, the building served as a Hall, the Kent Road Board, a school and a church.

**MEMORIAL PARK AND PLAYGROUND** Situated in town enjoy the park for a pleasant rest or BBQ in our recently upgraded facilities.





**ANZAC MEMORIAL** situated at the park, this area is dedicated to the men and women who served our country. The annual ANZAC Day commemoration is held here each year on 25 April, with a march starting at the Town Hall and arriving at the park for the service. (Insert photo – to be forwarded in the next couple of days)

### 👉 DON'T MISS

**6 THE BROWNIE HUT**, as it is known locally is also a school site. Built in 1924, it has been used as a school and a youth facility.



**7 CHINOCUP NATURE RESERVE** is to the east of the town, just off the main road. This area is a treasure trove of spring wildflowers and unique marsupials such as the black gloved wallabies and brushtail possum.

**SALMON GUM** The log in the main street car park is all that remains of a historic salmon gum. You can see the enormous base of the trunk in the garden near the loggia. Lasting for over 100 years, it finally succumbed in 2009 and was lopped on advice from an arborist.

**RECREATIONAL GROUND** These beautiful recreation grounds are like an oasis in the desert. Here you'll find caravan parking with excellent laundry and shower facilities.

**NYABING INN** is open 7 days a week. Call in to this typical country pub for a chat with the locals and a cold drink or two.

**SKINFLINT BODY CARE** in the main street is open by appointment with soap making demonstrations. Handmade skin care products available for sale. Contact Megan 0427 297 712.

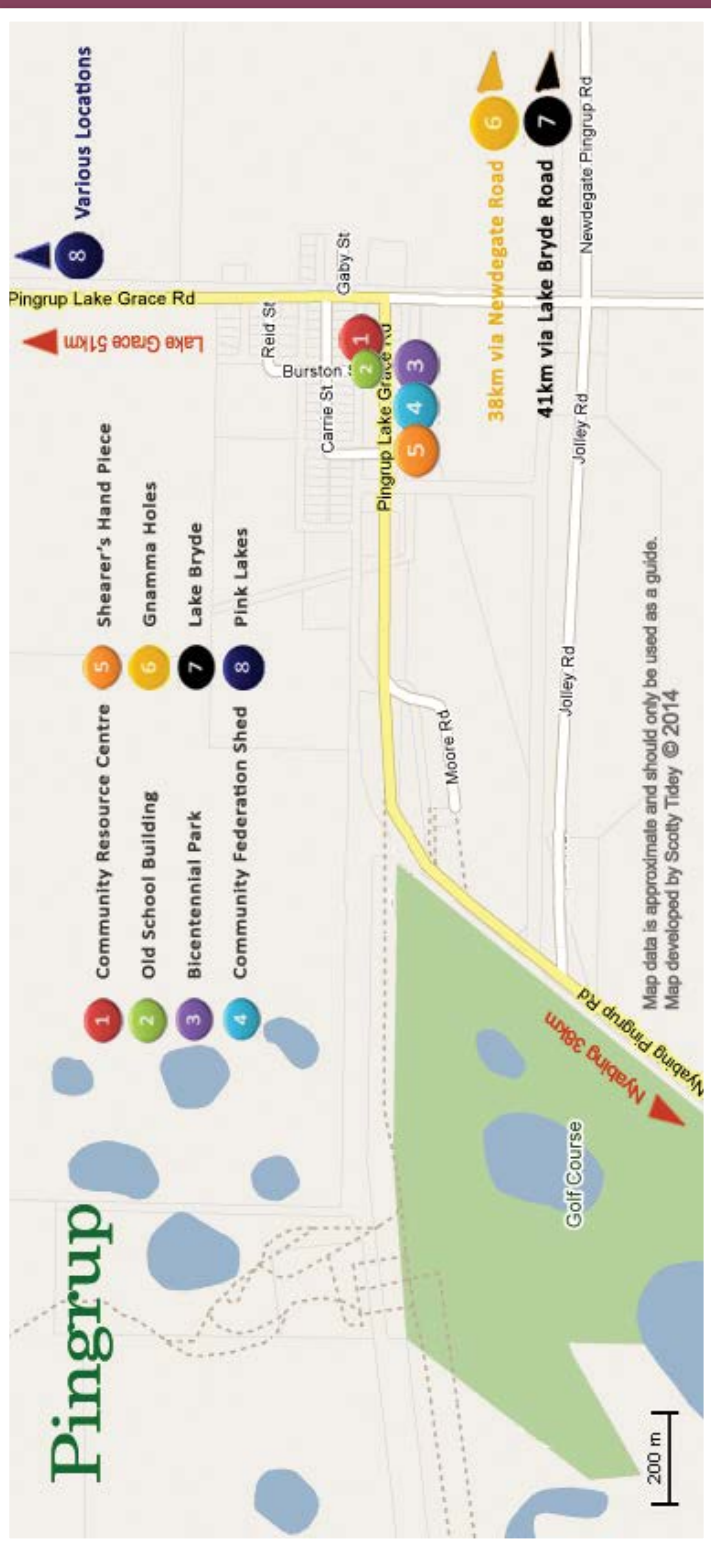
### 👉 ACCOMMODATION &

- Nyabing Inn 9829 1015
- Nyabing Caravan Parking 9829 1051

### 👉 FOOD

- Nyabing General Store 9829 1075

SELF DRIVE MAPS are available from the Shire Office, Pingrup CRC or on the Shire website  
Shire of Kent, Richmond St Nyabing. 9829 1051 [www.kent.wa.gov.au](http://www.kent.wa.gov.au)



## ➔ Pingrup

### ➤ HISTORY

The town of Pingrup was officially gazetted on 9 May 1924 and was named Pingrup after Lake Pingrup which is close to the town site.



- 1 PINGRUP CRC** This modern building houses the local museum, giving an insight into the history of Pingrup. The Pingrup CRC provides a range of business services and offers email and internet access. Call in today to book your caravan stay, pick up your Shire of Kent Self-Drive Map and have a browse.



### ➤ SIGHTSEEING

- 8 PINK LAKES** These colourful lakes are a part of the Chinocup Lake System, which runs in a north-south direction between Lake Grace and Pingrup. The traveller may not be aware that the reason they are pink is due to a microscopic salt-loving bacteria called Halo bacteris that produces red pigment. The lakes are part of an old river system.



**PINGRUP RACES** are a must see! They started as the good old-fashioned Picnic Races in 1919, but by 1950 the day was called The Sports & Foot Races. As the feet were getting sore, attention was then turned to horse racing. If you enjoy a flutter or a bit of Two-Up then March is the time to head to the famous Pingrup Races.



- 4 COMMUNITY FEDERATION SHED** This special shed is open at all times.



## 👉 DON'T MISS

**5 SHEARERS HAND PIECE** This giant-sized replica stands out in all its glory on top of what locals call the 'Shearers Shed', encouraging visitors to investigate what it represents.

At the height of the 1990s shearers from around the State and the nation would come to Pingrup to pit their shearing skills against each other in regular competitions.



The shed is a perfect example of rural ingenuity and resourcefulness. A demonstration of the old adage, 'He who wastes not, wants not'. Originally used as the CBH (Cooperative Bulk Handling) grain shed and once decommissioned, the Kent Shire, local Lions Club and Pingrup community saw an opportunity to convert the shed into a Shearing Complex. Competitions were held here every year up until 2001.

**6 GNAMMA HOLES** Early Aboriginals are believed to have used this area for watering and resting on their wanderings. Some of the holes stored water and others were used as fire holes. The area was first explored by John Septimus Roe in September 1848 and John Holland used the water on his trek to the goldfields



in 1893. The Hollands Rock Tank was built in 1928/29 using Hollands Rock as a catchment which was to provide water for settlers at Lake Bryde. The Gnamma Holes are located 35km northeast of town.

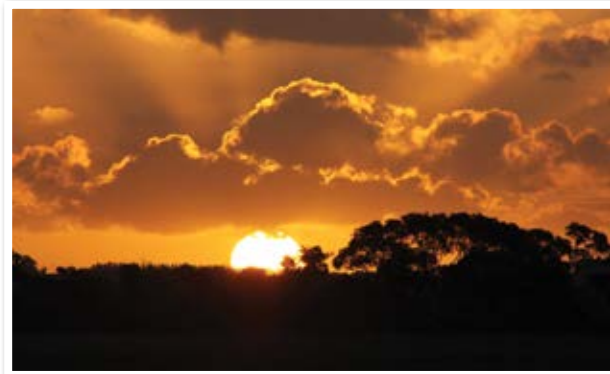


**7 LAKE BRYDE** is situated approximately 35km north-east of Pingrup. It's a seasonal wetland that is part of a chain of lakes running from Pingrup to Lake Grace. This is a great spot for bird lovers, with 23 recorded species of waterfowl in these wetlands. Historically Lake Bryde was used as a water source during times of drought and is now a venue for picnic and water-based recreation.

## 👉 ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

- Pingrup Caravan Park, also includes Outback accommodation for self-contained travellers. 9820 1101
- Sailors Arms Hotel 9820 1041

Shire of Kent, Richmond St Nyabing. 9829 1051





## ➔ Kojonup

### ➤ HISTORY

Just 3 hours south of Perth, nestled in the rural heartland of the Great Southern region, you will discover a thriving country town that offers visitors the opportunity to experience Australia's rural way of life that is also steeped in history. Explore this bustling rural town with its historic buildings and friendly atmosphere. Discover the proud heritage and links to the traditional custodians of the region, the Noongar Aboriginal people, with a visit to the award winning The Kodja Place.



A gateway to Australia's South West, Kojonup lies in a rich pastoral district of farmland and native bushland filled with beautiful wildflowers in spring and home to many species of marsupials and birds. Absorb the peaceful beauty of the undulating hills with granite outcrops and scenic valley pools fed by the many streams that run through the region. Situated less than an hour from the world class Frankland River Wine Region and the magnificent Stirling Range, Kojonup offers a variety of activities and experiences to keep you entertained.

### ➤ SIGHTSEEING

Make your first stop the Kojonup Visitors Centre where you can obtain free maps, book tours and accommodation, get information on current events or just browse the extensively stocked gift shop. The friendly staff and volunteers are happy to assist you in planning your unique holiday to provide you with lasting memories. The Kojonup Visitors Centre, which is co-located with The Kodja Place, also takes bookings for TransWA.

- 1 MYRTLE BENN FLORA AND FAUNA SANCTUARY** is located on the edge of town offering a rich diversity of orchids and other wildflowers particularly during spring and a chance to see local birds and small animals. Remember to collect your copy of Kojonup's Self-Drive Wildflower Tour Booklet from the Visitor Centre.



**3** **MILITARY BARRACKS** were built in 1845 as a Military Outpost; this is Kojonup's oldest building. Now a museum, it can be accessed by arrangement with the Kojonup Visitors Centre.



**8** **CENTENARY OF FEDERATION WOOL WAGON** a joint project of Kojonup Rotary, Lion's and Apex Clubs was opened Australia Day 2000. The 1.5 times replica carries bales stencilled with the brands of local sheep farmers.



**9** **BRIGADIER AW POTTS & KOKODA TRACK MEMORIAL BRIDGE** a national tribute to a man who inspired those under his command, though heavily outnumbered and outgunned, to fight a series of organised delaying actions along the Kokoda Track in New Guinea during August and September 1942.



RSL Hall and War Memorial have aesthetic, historical and social significance. Built in 1952, the hall and the obelisk in the grounds stand as a memorial to those people who contributed to the war effort in both WW1 & WW2. The foundation stone was laid by Brigadier AW Potts.

Kojonup Memorial Hall & Honour Roll was built in 1926 in memory of the fallen of World War One. The memorial foyer features an unusual stained glass ceiling and a marble scroll of honour bearing the names of the fallen and the local governing body. It also includes a Memorial Foyer Honour Boards and stained glass skylight which can be viewed by arrangement through the Kojonup Shire Office.

**TOWN WALK** Discover Kojonup's rich history as you explore Kojonup's Historical Town Walk that lists 52 historical sites of significance. Visitors can either walk or drive the 10km trail or select key historical sites.

**SPORTS** Challenge your friends to a game of golf or tennis at the combined Kojonup Golf Course and Tennis Club, or get some exercise at the squash courts, turf ovals, bowling greens or Olympic swimming pool at the Kojonup Recreation Complex.

## ➤ DON'T MISS

**10** **THE KODJA PLACE** incorporating the Visitor Centre, Kodj Gallery, Yoondi's Mia Mia, Story Place, Rose Maze & Noongar Art and Craft Gallery. The Kodj, an authentic Noongar stone axe is the central and pivotal exhibits within the gallery. Traditional Noongar hunting



implements set alongside early farming equipment illustrates the changes and the enormity of the achievements of our predecessors, how they lived, the tools they used to work, hunt and prepare food. The Story Place invites

visitors to immerse themselves in the past and present through thematic spaces, photos and quotes; powerfully showing the harsh realities of life for both Noongar and Wadjela people. In the Australia Rose Maze threads of our local history are drawn together in the story of Yoondi, a symbolic Noongar woman. Yoondi's moving life-story is one of Three Women's Stories woven along the pathways of this inspiring garden.

**THE WILDFLOWER FESTIVAL** is held each spring. Visitors flock to Kojonup for the Festival and wonderful bushwalks in the many reserves with their rich diversity of orchid species. Bird lovers can keep their eyes peeled for some of the 80 species of native birds found in the district.



**BUSH TUCKER TRAIL** Follow the old railway line east from The Kodja Place while learning of the bush tucker plants and their medicinal value which are indigenous to the area. Interpretive signage assists visitors to understand how Indigenous culture has endured from pre European settlement through to the present.

**WANDECLA PICNIC RACES** are held each year in mid-February where you can join locals for a Chicken and Champagne lunch and Picnic Races.

**AUSTRALIA DAY BREAKFAST** is held each year in Apex Park 6.30am – 9am All Welcome

**KOJONUP TOURIST RAILWAY** 'Spirit of Kojonup' will take you on a 1 hour trip through picturesque farmland.

#### 👉 ACCOMMODATION

- Commercial Hotel, WA's oldest continually licensed hotel
- Hillview Motel
- Kemminup Farm Homestay
- Harris's B & B
- Jacaranda Heights B & B
- Kojonup B & B

#### 👉 FOOD

- Black Cockatoo @ The Kodja Place, 9831 1606
- Commercial Hotel, 9831 1044
- Country Kitchen, 9831 1338
- Stonemasons Distillery, Glenlossie 9831 0999
- Hillview Roadhouse, 9831 1160
- Kojonup Bakery, 9831 1097

Bookings may be made for all these establishments by contacting the Kojonup Visitors Centre on (08) 98310500 or email [kojonupvisitors@bigpond.com](mailto:kojonupvisitors@bigpond.com)

**Please note:** Kojonup is an RV Friendly Town.

Shire of Kojonup, Albany Hwy Kojonup. 9831 2400

## ➔ Muradup

#### 👉 HISTORY

This small farming community was once a thriving town with a school and general store. Many of the present farming families are descended from the pioneers of the district.

#### 👉 SIGHTSEEING

**AGRICULTURAL HALL** The District Hall was built in 1909 of locally fired clay bricks. Major extensions were completed in 1936. The Hall has been in continuous use for a century being at various times a school, sporting venue, polling place, cinema and has hosted many dances, parties and other social functions.



**MURADUP WAR MEMORIAL** The war memorial, built by the Football and Cricket Club, is unusual in as much that it was first unveiled in 1916 making it one of the first erected to honour those who had enlisted for WW1. Names of those who died in subsequent conflicts have also been added. The memorial is maintained by the locals to this day.



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## ➔ Welcome to Woodanilling

**WOODANILLING** may appear to be a quiet place but there are all sorts of 'hidden treasures' to be found if you know where to look.



#### 👉 HISTORY

The town of Woodanilling was first gazetted in 1892, not far from the watering hole called Round Pool. Woodanilling got its name from a spring in the nearby Boyerine Creek. Woodanilling is a Noongar Aboriginal word meaning place of little fishes.

The very first settlers came to the area looking for pastures on which to graze their sheep. Later, cutters poured into the district and decimated the sandalwood tree population.

In 1904 the railway station was the freight leader for the region, transporting mallet bark, sandalwood, grain, wool and goods for the local shops and businesses on the big old steam trains.

In the early 1900s, 800 people lived in the Shire, and the townsite boasted general stores, a hotel, banks, a hospital, a road board office, a post office, a bakery, a blacksmith's shop and brickworks. Today the population is on the increase again and stands at about 420 people.

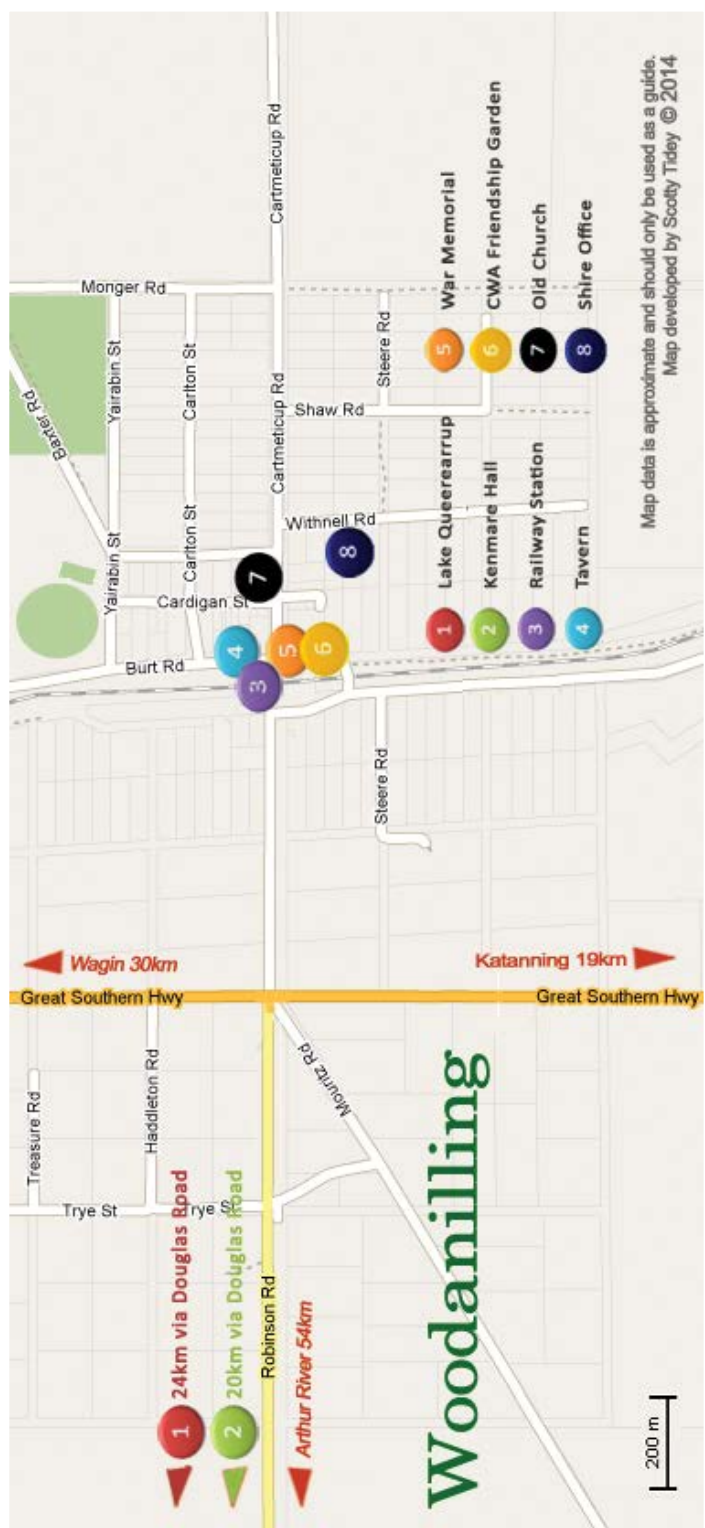
#### 👉 SIGHTSEEING

**WOODANILLING HERITAGE WALK** Opened in 2008, the Woodanilling Heritage Walk consists of 13 panels on a short walk around the townsite. There are old black and white photos on each panel together with all sorts of stories about our people and places. Heritage Walk colour guides are available at the Shire council offices.



**2 KENMARE HALL** Weddings, meetings and other social functions were held at the Kenmare Hall, located 15km west of Woodanilling town. Many a husband and wife have been picked out at dances here! The back section was used as a school from 1921 to 1944.





**HISTORIC DRIVE TRAIL** Take yourself on a discovery drive by following the Woodanilling Pioneer Heritage Trail. Large rocks with information plaques are dotted all over the Shire. Drive trail brochures are available from the Woodanilling General Store and the Shire council offices.

- 4 WOODANILLING TAVERN** When you get to town, it's probably a good idea to drop into the Woodanilling Tavern for a drink and a chat with some of the friendly locals. A few 'ghostly' stories haunt the history of this beautiful two-storey pub which is just over 100 years old.



**WOODANILLING GENERAL STORE & POST OFFICE** Right in the centre of town the Woodanilling General Store has everything you need from fuel to snacks, even stamps for your post cards. Give them a call to find out opening hours (08) 9823 1523.

- 7 WOODANILLING BAPTIST CHURCH** Renowned for travelling around the Great Southern on his push bike, the late Reverend William Kennedy instigated the building of many churches in the region including the one in the Woodanilling townsite with its colourful stained-glass windows. Stone used to build the church was taken from a hill between Woodanilling and Boyerine to the north. Building work was completed in 1908 with the help of local labour. Although the church has been decommissioned, the church can still be used with special permission from the Shire. The visitor's book is an interesting read and we would love you to enrich it with your own comments.

#### ➤ DON'T MISS

**PAINTBALL** Come and have a ball with your mates, sporting group or family on one of the three huge paintball fields, playing a variety of games. Catering for groups of 10 – 18 people. Why not make a booking next time you're in Woodanilling. Open 7 days 9823 1067 or 0427 982 310



**TARGET WOODANILLING FOR AN ARCHERY EXPERIENCE** Hitting the bullseye may be easier than you think under the expert tuition of State and National coach / judge Keith Schurmann. No experience necessary it's for anyone between the ages 9 to 90 years. There's even archery golf! Situated right on the Great Southern Highway to the north side of the Woodanilling townsite. Open by appointment call 08 9823 1196 or 0407 389 792.



**CENTENARY PARK & PRIME MINISTERS' WALK** This is a great place to stop for a picnic with the kids. The park has a skateboard area, shaded playground equipment, free barbecue facilities, tables with benches, and large toilets. It's smoke-free and has a safety fence all around.

**MARTUP POOL** A tranquil picnic spot located on the Albany Highway, north of the Beaufort River Roadhouse. Appreciate the natural beauty of the water surrounded by paperbark trees.

**1 QUEEREARRUP LAKE** You will find this salt lake about 30 kms west of the Woodanilling townsite. In years of good rainfall, the locals head out to Queerearrup Lake with boats, water skis and canoes. A variety of birds visit during the year including black swans. There's a barbecue and new toilets.

#### ACCOMMODATION

- Avalon Caravan Park 9823 1681
- Woodanilling Tavern 9823 1508
- Glen Caddie 9823 1170

#### FOOD

- Avalon Café 9823 1681
- Woodanilling Tavern 9823 1508
- Woodanilling General Store & Post Office 9823 1523
- Beaufort River Tavern and Roadhouse 9862 5030

For more information call Shire of Woodanilling 9823 1506.

## → Accommodation

	BROOKHILL	TAMBELLUP	CRANBROOK	TENTERDEN	FRANKLAND	BORDEN	GNOWANGERUP	ONGERUP	BREMER GAP	JERRAMUNGUP	KATANNING	NYABING	PINGUP	KOTONUP	MURADUP	WOODANILLING
CARAVAN PARK	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES
BED AND BREAKFAST	YES	YES	NO	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	YES	NO	YES
BACK PACKERS	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
HOTEL/MOTEL	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO	YES	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES
FARM STAYS	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	YES	NO	NO
SELF CONTAINED UNIT	NO	YES	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	YES	NO	YES

## → Facilities

FUEL	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES
RESTROOMS	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES
AUTO REPAIRS	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	NO	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	YES	NO	NO
NEWSAGENCY	NO	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	YES	NO	NO	YES	YES	NO	NO	YES	NO	YES
POSTAL SERVICES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES
BANKING/ATM/EFTPOS	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO
PHARMACY	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO	YES	NO	NO	YES	NO	NO
PUBLIC TELEPHONE	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
FOOD OUTLETS	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	YES	NO	NO
STORE/SUPERMARKET	NO	YES	YES	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES
NURSING POST	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	NO	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
HOSPITAL	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO	YES	NO	NO	YES	NO	NO
AMBULANCE	NO	YES	YES	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO
AIRPORT/STRIP	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	NO	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	YES	NO	NO
INTERNET	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO
VISITOR CENTRE	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	YES	NO	NO
SHIRE OFFICE	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO	YES	NO	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES
COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE	NO	YES	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO

Please use this information as a guide only.

Always ring ahead for opening times and availability to avoid disappointment.



## ➔ Annual Antics - The Hidden Treasures Region

- **JANUARY** - Harvest grain crops
- Australia Day Breakfast 26 January, check local Shires for times and venues.
  - Nyabing Town Beach Party
  - Kojonup Australia Day Breakfast in the Park 6.30am – 9am - Awards Ceremony 8 am

- **FEBRUARY**
- Wandeclea Picnic Races, Kojonup
  - Wandeclea Polo Club Eulo Cup

- **MARCH** - Wine grapes begin to be harvested through to May
- Bremer Bay Classic Fishing Competition, Long Weekend in March
  - Pingrup Picnic Races
  - Katanning Harmony Festival, second week in March
  - Taste Great Southern, various locations

- **APRIL** - Preparation for sowing of grain crops
- Cranbrook Show, usually first weekend in April depends on Easter dates.
  - ANZAC Day ceremonies 25 April, check local Shires for times and venues.
  - Katanning Youth Festival

- **MAY** - Lambing of merino sheep usually begins and seeding of crops
- Biggest Morning Tea fundraisers, check local Shires for times and venues.
  - Australian Open Gardens - Kojonup – 10th & 11th May 2014 10am – 4pm

- **JULY** - Sometimes snow on the Stirling Ranges and wine grapes are being pruned
- Katanning Ladies Night In, last Friday of School Term

- **AUGUST** - Canola starts to flower
- Wildflowers start to bloom
  - Broomehill-Gnowangerup Stud Merino Field Day, second week in August.
  - Katanning Ram Sale, third week in August.
  - Tambellup Daffodil Day Fundraising Evening, last Friday in August.
  - Kojonup – Tulips with a Difference Open Garden – Thursday 28th August to Monday 29th September 2014 – Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday by appointment. Closed Sunday.

- **SEPTEMBER** - Wildflower season
- Nyabing Ram Sale
  - Ongerup Wildflower Display
  - Frankland River Golf Classic
  - Bendigo Bank Southern Art and Craft Trail, various locations
  - Kojonup Wildflower & Bloom Festival September – October Long Weekend
  - Cranbrook Market day
  - Shire of Cranbrook Photographic Exhibition

### ➤ HIDDEN TREASURES BLOOM FESTIVAL

- Mid Sept. to mid October

- **OCTOBER** - Hay cutting begins.

- Swathing of Canola crops.
- Cranbrook Golf Club's Caravaners' Country Golf Tour, first week in October
  - Tambellup Agriculture Show, second Saturday in October
  - Kojonup Agriculture Show, third Saturday in October
  - Katanning Agriculture Show, fourth Saturday in October
  - Jerramungup Agriculture Show
  - Gnowangerup Hay Day
  - Nyabing Girls Night In

- **NOVEMBER**
- Melbourne Cup, first Tuesday of the month, check local shires for venues.

- **DECEMBER** - Harvesting of grain crops
- Nyabing CWA Market Day, first Thursday of the month.
  - Katanning on Clive Street Festival

- **EVERY MONTH**
- Kojonup – Spirit of Kojonup – Train operates 1st & 3rd Sunday's of month 11am Kojonup Railway Station. Groups of 8 or more arranged at any other times.
  - Kojonup Railway Station at any other time for groups of 8 or more.
  - Katanning Farmers Market, third Saturday of the Month
  - Katanning Sheep Saleyards, every Wednesday at 8.30am

For more information on events visit the Hidden Treasures website.

## ➔ Safety Tips

- **LIFE THREATENING EMERGENCIES: 000**

- **POLICE: 131 444**

- Ensure your car is mechanically sound
- Ensure your tyres and brakes are in good condition
- Ensure you have enough fuel, smaller towns may not serve fuel after hours
- Make sure the roof rack is secure
- Notify the police or the ranger when you are travelling to a remote area
- Always carry water
- Please take all your rubbish with you
- Never leave your car unlocked when unattended
- Be aware of wildlife and livestock on the roads or roadsides
- Be aware of road trains and machinery that use the country roads
- Always wear your seat belt - buckle up every trip
- Make sure children are properly restrained in child car seats
- Alcohol must not be consumed before driving or during breaks
- Reduce your speed at night and drive within the range of your headlights
- Drive with care on gravel roads
- Don't drive tired. Make sure you stop and rest every two hours
- Always take a mobile phone - make sure you pull over and stop to use the phone
- Remember to slow down and enjoy the scenery!



➔ Travelers Notes

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