Discovery trail

Length: 5.78 km  Time: 1.22 hrs

There’s plenty to see and do in Fremantle and the discovery trail takes in iconic tourist attractions such as Fremantle Markets, the Cappuccino Strip, Fremantle Prison, the Maritime Museum as well as precincts and parks including the heritage listed West End and Esplanade Reserve. The trail takes around two hours but allow more time to stop at places along the way.

1. **Fremantle Railway Station**
The first rail line from Perth to Fremantle opened in 1881 with Fremantle station built in 1907. Travel direct from Fremantle to Perth in under 30 minutes.

2. **High Street Mall**
Converted into a pedestrian mall in the 1990s, the High Street Mall is at the heart of Fremantle’s city centre, with retail shops and cafes.

3. **Cappuccino Strip**
The strip, WAs first alfresco area, is renowned for cafes, restaurants, and pubs. It’s the centre of Fremantle’s entertainment precinct. It runs from Bannister to Norfolk Street.

4. **Fremantle Markets**
First opened in 1897, the markets capture the atmosphere of the Victorian era. Over 150 stalls offer fresh produce, jewellery, souvenirs, fashion and home wares. Open Fri-Sun from 8 am.

5. **Esplanade Reserve**
Fremantle’s major parkland is on reclaimed land and is the venue for many events and festivals. The shady Norfolk Island pines provide a great place for a picnic.

6. **Esplanade Youth Plaza**
Located on the south-eastern corner of the Esplanade Reserve, features an extensive skate park street section catering for all ages. Enjoy skate-boarding, ping-pong, rock climbing, slacklining and parkour.

7. **Old shoreline trail**
Winding it’s way along Marine Terrace and the West End is a paved brick pathway created by ceramicist Joan Campbell that marks Fremantle’s original shoreline.

8. **Little Creatures Brewery**
The iconic brewery located on the waterfront at Fishing Boat Harbour brews a variety of award winning craft beers and ales on-site and serves excellent bistro-style food.

9. **Fremantle Fishing Boat Harbour**
This working harbour is a perfect spot to enjoy fresh seafood from a variety of cafes and restaurants. A statue of Bon Scott – Fremantle’s famous rocker is located here.

10. **Bathers Beach**
The site where Captain Charles Howe Fremantle landed in 1829 and proclaimed the land as British territory. This inner city beach is a great place to swim or watch the sunset.

11. **Kidogo Arthouse**
This former kerosene store is now an independent art centre and a vibrant hub for learning. It’s unique exhibition space is a popular venue for live performances.

12. **WA Shipwreck Museum**
Recognised as the foremost maritime archaeology museum in the southern hemisphere. The 1850s-era Commissariat building is home to galleries featuring relics from ships wrecked along WA’s treacherous coastline.

13. **Round House**
The Swan River Colony’s first civil gaol and WA’s oldest remaining building. Beautiful views over the harbour and Bathers Beach. Canon is fired daily at 1 pm.

14. **Whalers Tunnel**
Built by the Fremantle Whaling Company in 1837 to provide whalers with access to the town from the jetty and beach. Now the only remaining structure of the whaling station.

15. **WA Maritime Museum**
The museum features the America’s Cup winning yacht Australia II, an Oberon class submarine HMAS Ovens and other iconic vessels and maritime stories.

16. **STS Leeuwin II**
The original Leeuwin Galleon was a Dutch ship that discovered and mapped some of the southwest corner of Australia in March 1622. It was the seventh European ship to sight the continent.

17. **E Shed Markets**
Located in an historic warehouse at Victoria Quay overlooking Fremantle harbour. It offers a range of souvenirs, collectables and fashion. Enjoy the licensed food court and café options. Open Fri-Sun.

18. **High Street West End**
This well-preserved nineteenth-century port-city townscape and architecture has been included in the State Register of Heritage Places. Stroll down High Street and explore the boutiques, galleries and gift stores.

19. **Fremantle Prison**
Built by convicts in the 1850s, it was decommissioned as a maximum-security gaol in 1991. In 2010 it was the first building in WA included on the UNESCO World Heritage list.

20. **Monument Hill**
If you want a great view then head here – the highest point in Fremantle offers an amazing panoramic view of the city, harbour and ocean. Fremantle War Memorial is located here.

21. **Fremantle Arts Centre**
Built by convicts in 1864 as the Fremantle Lunatic Asylum and Invalid Depot it now provides workshops, courses, live music, and exhibitions. Open 7 days.