



KUNUNURRA
— VISITOR CENTRE —

GREATEST OF ALL TIME BUNGLE BUNGLES

Everything you need to know

including:

The Mini Bungles (Mirima National Park)

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INTRODUCTION

Feeling uncertain about visiting Purnululu National Park? Wondering if it lives up to the hype or if you should drive in? If you have questions or concerns, we have all the answers you need in this GOAT Bungle Bungles Everything you need to know resource.

Keep reading!

Purnululu National Park, commonly referred to as the Bungle Bungles, is a World Heritage Site situated in the East Kimberley region of Western Australia 304 kms south of Kununurra. Covering 239,723 hectares, the park was inscribed onto the UNESCO World Heritage list in 2003 for exceptional natural beauty and geological importance.

The Bungle Bungle Range, which includes banded sandstone domes and deep Livistona palms (*Livistona vicoriae*) lined gorges covers 45,000 hectares of the park.

The distinctive grey and orange banded domes stand as the world's most remarkable examples of cone karst formations. These domes are composed of sandstone laid down approximately 360 million years ago. Over the past 20 million years, erosion from creeks, rivers, and weathering has sculpted these beehive-shaped formations along Piccaninny Creek, resulting in a dramatic and otherworldly landscape marked by striking gorges and chasms.

The walks in the Bungle Bungle Range are divided into the northern and southern ends. The north is where you will find Echidna Chasm along with other walks amongst the deep gorges, open woodlands, Livistona palms and spinifex hummocks. The south is where you find the famous beehive domes, Piccaninny Creek, Cathedral Gorge, and other unique walks.

The local Aboriginal people maintain a strong connection to this ancient land, which is expressed through story, song, art, and visits to country.

The Bungle Bungle Range is not only unique for the diverse landscape and sandstone formations, but also for the flora and fauna some of which are endemic to the national park.

DISTANCES AND TRAVEL TIMES



Km's	Bungle Bungles Turn off to:	Time allowed
302	Kununurra	2.75 hrs
107	Halls Creek	1 hr
793	Broome	9 hrs
682	Derby via the Great Northern Highway	8 hrs
52	Warmun	35 mins
33	Violet Valley Campground	45 mins
Km's	Purnululu Visitor Centre to:	Time allowed
53	Great Northern Highway	1.5-2 hrs
18	Bellburn Airstrip and helipad	30 mins
15	Accommodation lodges	25 mins
7	Kurrajong Campground	15 mins
12	Walardi Campground	20 mins
20	Echidna Car Park	35 mins
15	The Bloodwoods Car Park	25 mins
13	Stonehenge	20 mins
27	Piccaninny Car Park	45 mins





WHERE DO WE START?

Every amazing adventure starts with an open road! Just remember that access to the Kimberley is restricted from November to April due to the wet season, and the same goes for the Spring Creek Track that leads to the Bungle Bungles.

A general guideline is that if the National Park is open, then the road will be open as well. Conversely, the road won't open until the park does. Historically the park opens mid-April, but of course it always depends on the weather!

Contact the Visitor Centres in the Kimberley for the opening and closing dates to make sure you have the best experience possible.

Since this is a remote area, careful planning is crucial. Take your time, make sure your vehicles are well-prepared, and bring the necessary spare parts. Mechanical repairs are not available and towing costs can be exorbitant.

High clearance 4WD vehicles are recommended and only single axle towable units are permitted. Dual axle towable units ARE NOT PERMITTED.

You probably won't need to use 4WD, but a sturdy vehicle is recommended because of the rough conditions.

NO PETS or FIRES are allowed in the National Park.

No rubbish bins provided so all rubbish must be taken out with you.

Contact Kununurra Visitor Centre [here](#), Broome Visitor Centre [here](#) or Halls Creek Visitor Centre [here](#).



TIPS BEFORE YOU HEAD OFF

Before you head off, familiarize yourself with what to expect and plan for any potential issues, so that you can safely enjoy this incredible experience.

Here is your first tip:

Ensure your vehicle is up for the adventure! High-clearance 4WDs only, and if you're towing a single-axle unit (like a caravan or camper trailer), make sure it's off-road capable.

Other things to consider:

- Plan your trip and let others know of your plans
- Pack essential equipment for your vehicle – 2 spare tyres, portable air compressor etc. It's common to adjust your tyre pressures to suit the conditions and be prepared to change a tyre or two on your trip. If in doubt, reach out to local tyre retailers for advice
- Stay alert – slow down on bends and approaches to waterways – drive to the conditions
- Do not brake suddenly – you may skid and lose control
- Keep your headlights on low beam
- Do NOT overtake vehicles in dusty conditions. If you have the opportunity to overtake, ensure you have good visibility and a long, clear stretch of road ahead. Remember to check behind you too, if others are being impatient, pull over and allow them to pass – you are on holiday, why rush!
- Watch for animals, especially when travelling at dusk and dawn
- Do not travel through water of unknown depths and learn what to do if your vehicle gets bogged or stranded at water crossings
- Stay on the roads! The land on either side is private property (even if there is no fence) or National Park
- Temperatures within the park and on the walking trails can reach 40°C (104°F) and radiant heat can increase the temperature to over 50°C (122°F).
- Visitors must carry in all drinking water, food, fuel and other supplies. You will need enough fuel for a minimum of 300km.
- 50km speed limit on all roads within the National Park.



PURNULULU VISITOR CENTRE

Upon arriving at the park, your first destination should be the Purnululu Visitor Centre. It operates from April* to the end of September, with hours from 8am to 4pm, though it closes for lunch between 12 noon and 1pm.

***Please note: Opening is subject to weather and road conditions**

Ph: 0891 687 300.

The new, state-of-the-art building features innovative ways of interacting and learning about the park and its traditional owners- the Gija, Jaru and Malngin people. This includes augmented reality and interactive touch screens where park information such as local flora, fauna and geology is displayed in a fun and engaging way.

Enjoy the spacious tropical verandah with stunning views of the Bungle Bungle Range, perfect for a relaxing visit with a refreshing drink and complimentary Wi-Fi. Snacks, coffee, and souvenirs are available for purchase. No other food is available. Restroom facilities are provided for your convenience.

Please register when you arrive, and if you haven't already, pay the park fees at the visitor centre before proceeding further into the park.



FEES AND CAMPING

Vehicle entry and camping fees apply.

A WA National Park Pass is required to enter Purnululu. The pass can be purchased online at:

<https://exploreparks.dbca.wa.gov.au/park-passes> and will have to be printed, or can be purchased at the DBCA's Parks and Wildlife Office, Lot 248, Ivanhoe Road Kununurra from 8am to 4pm Monday to Friday. Ph: 0891 684 200.

Campsites are not covered under the WA National Park Pass but can be booked at: <https://parkstay.dbca.wa.gov.au/search-availability/information/>





WHAT IS THE CONDITION OF THE ROAD?

One of our most frequently asked questions. The challenge is finding an honest way to respond to meet expectations.

If you talk about the condition of a person or thing, you are talking about the state that they are in, especially how good or bad their physical state is.

After you leave the Great Northern Highway, you will journey 53km along the unsealed Spring Creek Track to reach the Visitor Centre in the Bungle Bungles.

Please keep in mind that it's a track, not a road, which is reflected in its name.

How rough is it, really? It might be rough, very rough, or extremely rough, depending on how you define roughness. Set out anticipating the worst, but hopefully, you'll be pleasantly surprised if it's better than you expected.

The track features corrugated sections, rocky patches, numerous blind hills and corners, and is quite dusty and winding. It has around 32 creek crossings, which may be dry, rocky or sandy towards the end of the dry season. After the wet season and early in the dry season, many of these creek crossings can hold water of varying depths.

Adjust your driving to match the conditions, and you'll avoid any issues.

The track is graded several times a year but can deteriorate rapidly based on traffic volume. To check when it was last graded, please phone the Purnululu Visitor Centre 0891 687 300.



IS THERE PHONE SERVICE IN THE BUNGLE BUNGLES?

There is limited OPTUS coverage at the Visitor Centre ONLY!



CAN I FLY A DRONE IN THE BUNGLE BUNGLES?

Given the high volume of air traffic around and above the Bungle Bungle Range and the low altitude of aircraft in the area, drones are strictly prohibited for safety reasons and to adhere to World Heritage regulations.





WHERE CAN I PARK MY CARAVAN IF I CAN'T OR PREFER NOT TO TAKE IT INTO THE PARK?

There are a number of options available:

- Warmun Roadhouse Caravan Park. Located 50kms north of the Bungle Bungles turnoff. No pre-bookings taken.
- Violet Valley Campground is located 20kms north of the Bungle Bungles turnoff then 13kms of gravel access road which has been ungraded to allow access by all vehicles. Bookings: <https://www.visitkununurra.com/accommodation/warmun/violet-valley-campground#book>
- Spring Creek Rest Area near the Bungle Bungles turnoff is a 24-hour Main Roads overnight rest area with toilets and dump point.
- Leychesters Rest Area located on the southern side of the turnoff is also a 24-hour Main Roads overnight rest area with toilets





WHERE CAN I CAMP IN THE BUNGLE BUNGLES?

There are two DBCA campgrounds, Walardi in the southern end and Kurrajong in the northern end.

Bookings are essential and can be made up to 180 days (approximately six months) before arrival through [Park Stay WA](#). Campsites can only be booked for the tourist season (May to September). For other periods, bookings will be available when the seasonal opening and closing of the park is confirmed.

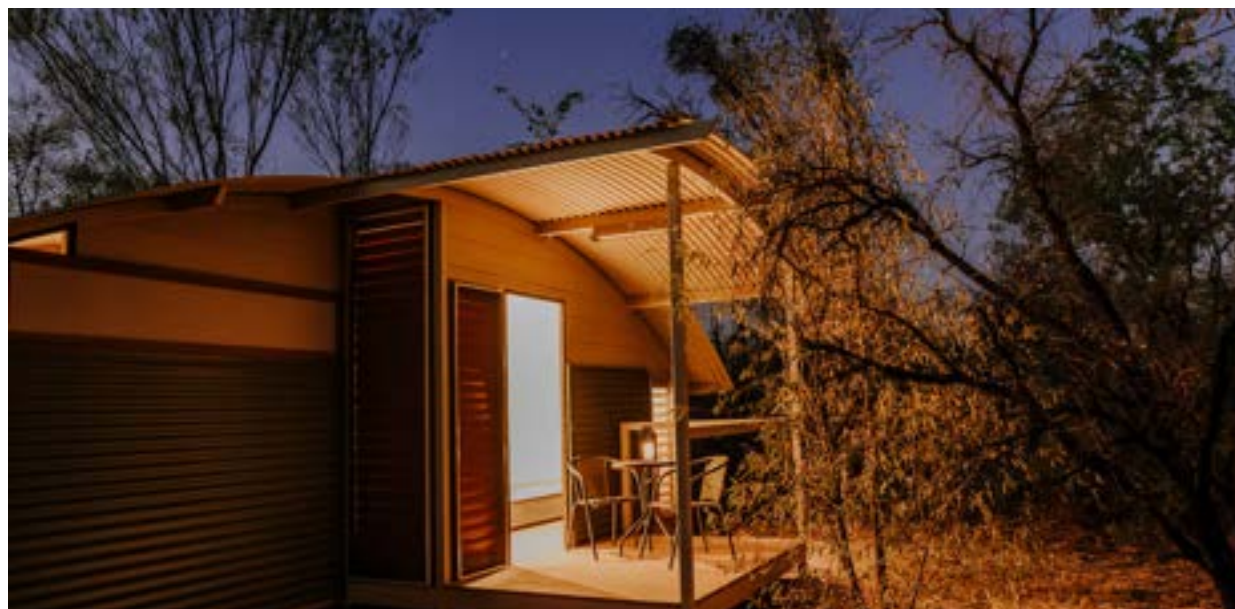
Note: camper trailers, caravans etc. must be taken direct to the campground as they are not permitted elsewhere in the park.

Walardi

- 12kms from the Park Visitor Centre
- In the southern end closest to the Domes and Cathedral Gorge
- 37 campsites
- No powered sites
- Specific campsites cannot be reserved
- No-flush pit toilets
- Untreated bore water on tap (must be boiled for drinking)
- No generators permitted
- No campfires
- Picnic tables
- Take your rubbish with you

Kurrajong

- 7kms from the Park Visitor Centre
- In the northern end closest to Mini Palms and Echidna Chasm
- 100 campsites
- Generator use is permitted at some campsites between 8am-9pm only. Check campsite details carefully when booking.
- No-flush pit toilets
- Untreated bore water on tap (must be boiled for drinking)
- No campfires
- Picnic tables and benches
- Take your rubbish with you



I PREFER NOT TO CAMP, WHAT OTHER ACCOMMODATION IS AVAILABLE?

There are two privately owned lodges in the Bungle Bungles with both offering DBB accommodation:

- Bungle Bungle Savannah Lodge with standalone ensuite cabins and the only pool in the Bungle Bungles.
- APT Bungle Bungles Wilderness Lodge with luxury safari style ensuite tents and fine dining.

Bookings can be made by contacting the Kununurra Visitor Centre on 091 681177 or at: <https://www.visitkununurra.com/bungle-bungle-accommodation>





I CAN'T OR PREFER NOT TO DRIVE IN TO THE BUNGLE BUNGLES, WHAT ARE MY OPTIONS?

There are several ways to experience the Bungle Bungles. You can choose to fly over them, land and take a ground tour, or land and stay overnight while enjoying ground tours.

There is a tour to suit most budgets. Contact the Kununurra Visitor Centre on 0891 681177 to book or visit: <https://www.visitkununurra.com/bungle-bungle-tours>

Flights

Fixed wing: Enjoy scenic air tours departing from Kununurra, or Halls Creek.

Float plane: Experience taking off and landing on water in Lake Kununurra and Lake Argyle on route to the Bungle Bungles.

Flights and ground tours

Choose between a fixed-wing flight and walks in the southern end only or explore both the southern and northern ends. You also have the option to add a helicopter tour while you're at the Bungle Bungles.

Flights with ground and overnight tours combination

Fixed wing flight with one or two nights stay plus ground tours. A few different options are available.

Helicopters

Day tours or overnight tours available from Kununurra or Warmun.



WHAT TOURS ARE AVAILABLE FROM WITHIN THE BUNGLE BUNGLES?

There are a number of options from inside the park.

Helicopters are based at Bellburn Airstrip, offering various options, from 18 minute quick looks, to private tours and locations in the park, and everything in between.

There is also options to join a guided walking tour with a number of operators who are based within the park - all you have to do is get there!

Bookings can be made by contacting the Kununurra Visitor Centre on 08 9168 1177 or visit our website <https://www.visitkununurra.com/bungle-bungle-tours>





WHAT WALKS ARE AVAILABLE?

There are walks to suit all abilities. If its hot, walk in the early morning or late afternoon only. Wear sturdy footwear, long sleeved shirt, a hat and sunscreen.

Carry plenty of water and take regular rest stops in the shade to cool down. Recommended is 1lt per person per hour. Bore water is available at campgrounds, please treat water before consuming. Toilets are located at the Visitor Centre, Echidna Chasm carpark and Piccaninny Creek carpark. Shaded picnic areas are located at Echidna Chasm carpark, The Bloodwoods, and Piccaninny Creek carpark. Surveillance cameras are installed, penalties apply for interfering with cultural sites, walking off defined walk trails or climbing on rock structures.

Walk trail classification:

Class 2 Easy, well-defined trail with a firm surface. May include gentle hill sections and occasional steps. Suitable for all levels of experience and fitness but may present difficulties for people with mobility impairments.

Class 3 Moderate trail with clear directional signage. You may encounter minor natural hazards such as short, steep sections, steps, shallow water crossings, and unstable or slippery surfaces. A good level of fitness is recommended.

Class 4 Limited directional signage and difficult sections. You may encounter natural hazards such as long steep sections, water crossings, and unstable or slippery surfaces. A good level of fitness and bushwalking experience is recommended.



SOUTHERN END

27kms to the Piccaninny Carpark where all the walks commence.

The Domes

Class 3, 700m loop – Allow 30 minutes

This is the most accessible of the walks in this area, with a 1km return trail meandering its way through the red and black striped domes, allowing visitors to get a sense of these ancient formations. There is also a short side trail which ends at a small natural amphitheatre. The trail is ideal for people who are not into hiking but want to get an insight into this unique landscape.

Cathedral Gorge

Class 4, 2km return – Allow over an hour

Cathedral Gorge is a stunning natural amphitheatre carved from red rock over millions of years of water erosion. During the Wet season, a waterfall tumbles from the gorge's roof into a central pool. This vast, circular cavern is famous for its exceptional acoustics, drawing many visitors to test their singing voices.

The Cathedral Gorge trail extends from the Domes trail, and many hikers choose to tackle both in one outing. This trail takes you through a narrow gorge flanked by sheer cliffs rising 200 meters on either side. It features a few short, steep sections with steps and handrails for support, and the path can be sandy in places.

Piccaninny Creek Lookout

Class 3, 2.8km return – Allow over an hour

The Piccaninny Creek Lookout provides stunning views of the Bungle Bungle Range from a high vantage point. The trail leading to the lookout is the simplest section of the Piccaninny Creek area to explore, showcasing magnificent vistas of the Bungle Bungle Range across the creek bed.



SOUTHERN END CONT.

The Window

Class 4, 6km return – Allow 2 hours

A natural window that has eroded through one of the domes frames some beautiful views of the Bungle Bungle Range. This viewing point is approximately 20 minutes from the Piccaninny Creek Lookout. Please do not climb on this fragile structure.

Whip Snake Gorge

Class 4, 10km return – Allow 4 hours -

Whipsnake Gorge is a small shady gorge filled with ferns, figs and brittle gums approximately 5km along Piccaninny Creek. The signposted trail takes you away from the creek bed and into the narrow gorge with a small rockpool at the end.

Piccaninny Gorge Trek

Class 5, Minimum 20km return – Allow 2 days minimum

This walk is only for experienced hikers who have first registered at the Visitor Centre and have a personal locator beacon (PLB).





NORTHERN END

The Bloodwoods car park is 15km from the Visitor Centre. Homestead Valley, and Mini Palms Trail commence from The Bloodwoods car park.

Kungkalanay Lookout

Class 3, 500m return – Allow 30 minutes – 3km from the Visitor Centre
Impressive 3600 views including the western escarpment of the Bungle Bungle Range. A great spot for sunset and sunrise.

Stonehendge

Class 2, 520m return – Allow 15 minutes – 13km from the Visitor Centre
Discover some of the trees, shrubs and grasses traditionally used as bush foods, medicines and tools that kept the people and the land connected physically, spiritually and culturally. Stonehenge parking area is located 13km from the visitor centre.

Bloodwood Lookout

Class 3, 500m return – Allow 15 minutes
Views of the northern escarpment and the surrounding woodlands.

Homestead Valley

Class 3, 4.4km return to the Bloodwoods – Allow 2 hours
Homestead Valley Walk follows a path from the Bloodwoods car park, ending inside Homestead Valley Gorge and offering beautiful views of the red rocks of the escarpment. There are some short steep sections along the trail, with handrails aiding walkers and a shaded seating area at the end of the walk. This walk starts close to the Bloodwoods car park.



NORTHERN END CONTINUED

Mini Palms Trail

Class 4, 4.4km return to the Bloodwoods – Allow 2 hours

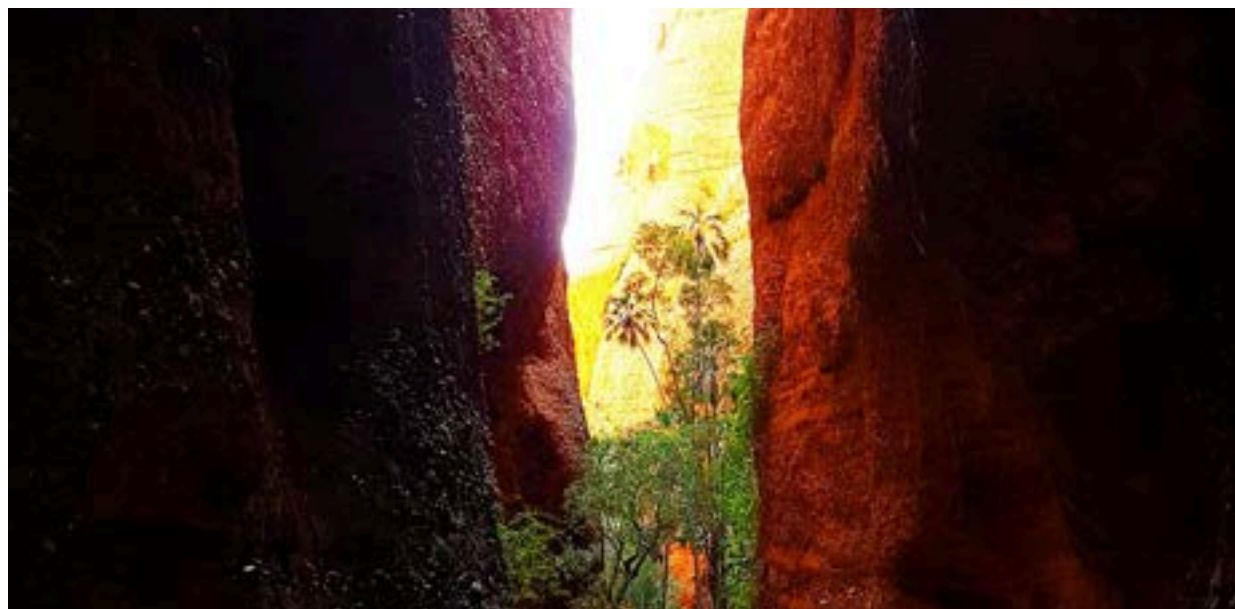
The Mini Palms trail steadily climbs to two scenic viewpoints within the gorge. The first platform offers a view of a rock-strewn arena, palm trees, and the towering cliffs of the gorge. To reach the second platform, you'll ascend a staircase that provides a vantage point over the gorge's deepest section. The trail features steep inclines, narrow ledges, and large boulders that you may need to climb over, crawl under, or squeeze between. This walk starts close to the Bloodwoods car park.

The Escarpment

Class 3, 7.2km return – Allow 2 hours

The Escarpment Trail connects the Echidna Chasm and Bloodwoods car parks, following a path along the base of the escarpment. This 3.6km trail features mostly flat terrain. From the Echidna Chasm car park, it's 2.6km to the Mini Palms Gorge turnoff, and an additional 1km to the Bloodwoods car park. You'll need to return to the Echidna Chasm car park unless you arrange for a pickup from the Bloodwoods car park.





NORTHERN END CONTINUED

Echidna Chasm

Class 4, 2km return – Allow 1 hour

This is a spectacular long, narrow chasm with striking colour variations, depending on the angle of the sun. This walk takes you into the heart of this long, narrow chasm, following the path of a creek bed before entering the chasm itself.

The amazing conglomerate boulders strewn along the path provide a clue to the sedimentary origin of the Bungle Bungle Range. The soaring 200m high walls of the chasm rock are topped with Livistonia palms. As the chasm narrows, there is a short climb to negotiate, with some ladders to assist and you will find yourself in a gap that's less than a metre wide. The most popular time to visit the Chasm is in the morning just before midday when sun shines vertically into the chasm and lights up the chasm walls.

Osmond Lookout Trail

Class 3, 1km return – Allow 30 minutes

A trail from the Echidna Chasm car park leads to a lookout with views over the dry, wild and rugged Osmand Range. It is enjoyable at any time of day but spectacular in the early morning or late afternoon light.





HOW MANY DAYS DO I NEED IN THE BUNGLE BUNGLES?

We have created itineraries for different travelling periods to help you make the most of the Bungle Bungles with the travel time you have! Have questions or want more information? Visit us at Kununurra Visitor Centre.

TIME POOR? YES IT IS POSSIBLE TO ENJOY A ONE-DAY VISIT

- Day 1 – Arrive and overnight at the Spring Creek 24hr Rest Area (near the turnoff from the Great Northern Highway) or Warmun Roadhouse (52kms north of Bungle Bungles turnoff, or Violet Valley Campground 20kms north of the turnoff and 13km gravel access road)
- Day 2 – Depart by 6.30am
- Allow 1 ½ to 2hrs to drive the 53kms into the Purnululu Visitor Centre from the Spring Creek Rest Area, 2 to 2 1/2hrs from Violet Valley Campground or Warmun Roadhouse – drive to the conditions, keep to the left, and turn your lights on.
- 8.30/9.30am – Arrive at the Visitor Centre and register.
- Travel to the southern end of the park (45min drive) – speed limit in the park is 50kms per hour.
- 10.30am – Walk into Cathedral Gorge and the Domes.
- 12.15pm – Drive to the northern end (approx. 70mins) The northern end is at its best in the afternoon with the sun shining on the western face. Or option 2 is to have booked a helicopter tour from Bellburn Airstrip and do that instead of the northern end.
- 1.30pm – Walk into Echidna Chasm and the Osmand Lookout.
- 3.00pm – Depart Echidna Chasm car park by 3.00pm at the latest (you don't want to be driving back in the dark).
- 5.00/5.30pm – Arrive back at Spring Creek Rest Area, Violet Valley Campground, or Warmun Roadhouse and overnight.
- Day 3 – Depart for your next destination.



TIME FOR ONE NIGHT ONLY - 1 NIGHT 2 HALF DAYS

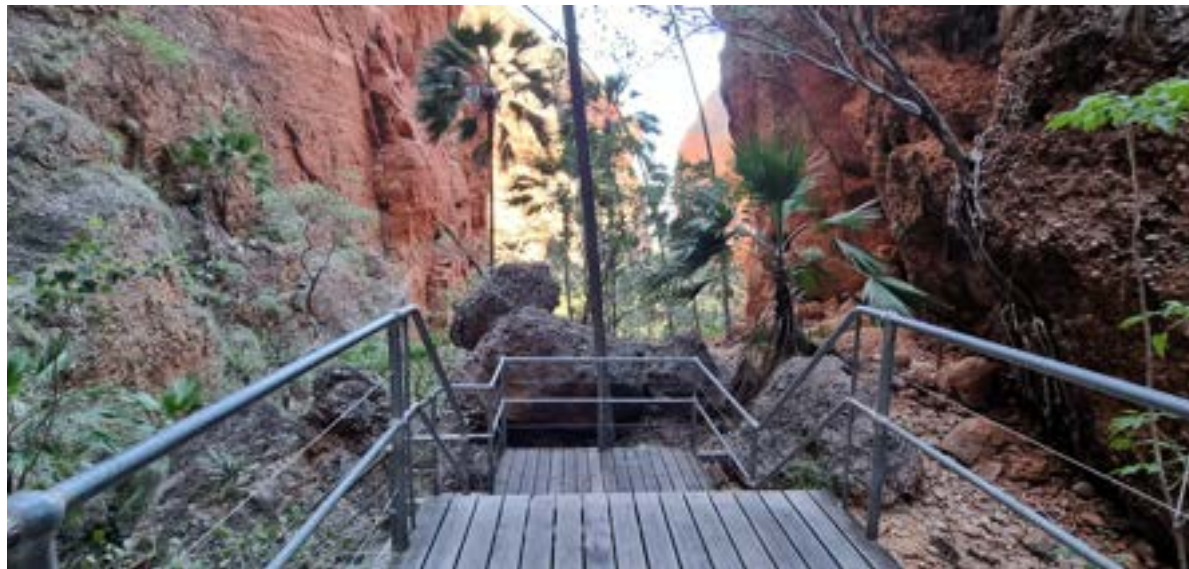
Day 1

Arrive at the Bungle Bungles as early as possible. Stop at the Visitor Centre to register. If you are towing a camper trailer or caravan you will have to go direct to your chosen campsite to unhitch. If you have booked Walardi unhitch at the Visitor Centre and collect after you have finished in the northern end. If you have booked Kurrajong Campground drive directly there and unhitch. Head to the Northern end to arrive at Echidna Chasm car park around 10.30am and walk into Echidna Chasm aiming to be there when the sun beams overhead down onto the chasm walls providing a wonderful glowing display. Check with the park Visitor Centre for the best time to be there. After exploring Echidna Chasm, head to Osmand Lookout for stunning views of the Osmand Range. If time allows drive to the Bloodwoods car park and take a walk to Mini Palms Gorge. Once you've completed your hikes, drive to your chosen campground or accommodation.

Day 2

Start early and drive to Piccaninny Creek carpark and walk into Cathedral Gorge which is an amazing natural Amphitheatre. If you can be in the gorge around an hour after sunrise you will see it light up as the sun hits the gorge walls. After the gorge walk along Piccaninny Creek as far as time will allow with a side trip into The Window. On your return to the car park return via the Domes Walk. Depart the Bungle Bungles allowing enough time to return to the highway and your overnight stop before dark.





TIME FOR A CLOSER LOOK - 2 NIGHTS 3 DAYS

Day 1

Arrive at the Bungle Bungles as early as possible. Stop at the Visitor Centre to register. Go to your campsite and unhitch if towing a camper trailer or caravan (suggest you book Kurralong Campground which is in the northern end). Head to the Northern end to arrive at Echidna Chasm car park around 10.30am if possible and walk into Echidna Chasm aiming to be there when the sun beams overhead down onto the chasm walls providing a wonderful glowing display. Check with the park Visitor Centre for the best time to be there. After exploring Echidna walk to Osmand Lookout for fantastic views of the Osmand Range. Drive to the Bloodwoods car park and walk to Mini Palms Gorge. Drive back to Kurralong Campground. In the late afternoon, drive to Kungkalanay Lookout for a perfect spot to watch the breathtaking sunset. From here, you'll get an incredible view of the Bungle Bungle's western face. As the sun sets, the mountain face lights up brilliantly, creating a stunning contrast against the soft pinks and purples of the evening sky.

Day 2

Spend the day in the Southern End. If you are fit and able, take your time and walk directly to Whip Snake Gorge first then on the return do The Window, Piccaninny Creek Lookout, Cathedral Gorge, and The Domes.

If you love an early start, take your breakfast and think about getting to the Piccaninny Creek car park well before sunrise. You'll be captivated as the sky shifts to shades of purple and the stunning colours of the domes come to life with the dawn, resembling a stunning photo gradually developing. It truly is an amazing experience and can be viewed from the car park or further on along Piccaninny Creek.

Day 3

If on day 1 you missed being in Echidna Chasm at the ideal time to see the sun beam overhead perhaps go back again before departing the park. Or you could take a thrilling scenic helicopter tour from Bellburn Airstrip. Ensure you depart the Bungle Bungles, allowing enough time to return to the highway and your next overnight stop before dark.



TIME TO ENJOY IT ALL - 3 NIGHTS 4 DAYS

If you're not pressed for time and prefer a more relaxed, leisurely pace, this schedule is perfect for you. You could set aside an entire day for each end: one for the Northern end and another for the Southern end.

Day 1 - Upon arrival you could set up camp, enjoy some relaxing time, or perhaps take a scenic helicopter tour from Bellburn Airstrip. Later in the afternoon drive to Kungkalanay Lookout for a perfect spot to watch the breathtaking sunset. From here, you'll get an incredible view of the Bungle Bungle's western face. As the sun sets, the mountain face lights up brilliantly, creating a stunning contrast against the soft pinks and purples of the evening sky.

Day 2 - Head to the Northern end to arrive at Echidna Chasm car park around 10.30am and walk into Echidna Chasm aiming to be there when the sun beams overhead down onto the chasm walls providing a wonderful glowing display. Check with the park Visitor Centre for the best time to be there. Either before or after exploring Echidna Chasm walk to Osmand Lookout for fantastic views of the Osmand Range. Drive back to the Bloodwoods car park and walk to Mini Palms Gorge and then Homestead Valley. Drive back to your campground.

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Day 4 - Departure day, if you didn't visit the Piccaninny Creek car park for sunrise, think about stopping by before leaving the park. Or if you haven't done so on day 1, take a thrilling, scenic helicopter tour before you depart the park.





IMPORTANT INFORMATION WHEN TRAVELLING

ALCOHOL

ALCOHOL CANNOT BE TAKEN INTO ABORIGINAL COMMUNITIES.

PLEASE RESPECT THE WISHES OF THE COMMUNITIES!



ROAD CLOSURES

It is sometimes necessary to close roads for reasons including community events, road works, incidents, heavy rainfall, flooding, bushfires and other natural disasters.

For updated road conditions please refer to the relevant websites:

Main Roads State Highways and Roads: www.mainroads.wa.gov.au

Shire of Wyndham East Kimberley: www.swek.wa.gov.au

Shire of Derby/West Kimberley: www.sdwk.wa.gov.au

Shire of Halls Creek: www.hallscreek.wa.gov.au

Shire of Broome: www.broome.wa.gov.au

PENALTIES MAY APPLY TO MOTORISTS WHO DRIVE ON A CLOSED ROAD OR, WHO DRIVE A CLASS OF VEHICLE THAT IS RESTRICTED ON A SECTION OF THE ROAD!



DEPARTMENT OF FIRE & EMERGENCY SERVICES

During your trip it is always worth checking with Department of Fire & Emergency Services for road closures due to fire or flood - [here!](#)



LOCK IT

Ensure your car doors are locked



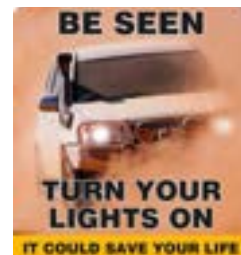
HIDE IT

Keep valuables out of site



REPORT IT

Report all crime and suspicious activity



MEDICAL EMERGENCIES

For medical advice and medical emergencies contact the Royal Flying Doctor Service 1800 625 800 - Radio HF 5300. Satellite phone calls 08 9417 6389

Although there are remote health clinics along the Gibb River Road they are unable to supply medications to travellers and are very restricted in their ability to attend medical emergencies.



Royal Flying Doctor Service



QUESTIONS/QUOTES

- How many Bungles at the Bungle Bungles?
- We want to go to the Kimberley Ranges (Bungle Bungles), how do we get there?
- Is the street to the Bungle Bungles with water?
- I want to go to the desert and the Jungle Jungles.
- I am looking at the Brumble Brumbles, do you have any tours in early September?
- I want to go to the Bundle Bundles.
- Is there a tour to the Bangle Bangles?
- We want to go to the Bungalows?
- We are thinking of going to the Bungle Bungles. Is there anything to see there?
- How many litres of water per person per day do you think we would need?
- How will I know if the road is too rough for me?



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MIRIMA NATIONAL PARK

The Mini Bungle Bungles





MIRIMA NATIONAL PARK - THE MINI BUNGLE BUNGLES

Few towns are fortunate enough to have a breathtaking National Park right on their doorstep. Kununurra is one of those fortunate places.

Located just a few minutes' drive from Kununurra's town centre, Mirima is situated on the eastern side of the town. Declared a National Park in 1982, Mirima is the name assigned to the area by the local Miriwoong people.

The park is open year-round and accessible via a sealed road. For the most comfortable experience, try to visit early in the morning or late in the afternoon to steer clear of the peak heat.

The highlight of Mirima National Park is its spectacular natural rock formations. These colourful layered rocks are mesmerising with the changing light of day. Over 300 million years ago, this area was underwater, part of a prehistoric sea. The rocks you see at Mirima today are the layers of sandstone formed from sediments deposited by creeks and windblown sand.

The park is a favoured spot for bushwalking, photography, and observing nature. Select one of the trails and begin your adventure. To escape the intense heat of the Kimberley, plan your walk early in the morning or late in the afternoon. This way, you can enjoy the stunning light at sunrise or sunset, as the sandstone transforms and glows with the shifting hues of the Kimberley landscape.

Mirima National Park is a culturally significant place for the local Miriwoong people. Aboriginal people have been coming here for thousands of years. They sheltered in the rocks and used the animals and plants in the area for food, medicine and tool making. Aboriginal people still hold ceremonies in special places in the park.

The rocky terrain and vegetation attract lots of wildlife. Keep your eyes peeled. See if you can spot wallabies or dingoes. Look out for crimson and double-barred finches, and white-quilled rock pigeons. Your binoculars will come in handy!



NO DOGS OR PETS OF ANY KIND, CAMPING OR FIRES ALLOWED IN THE PARK!

ENTRY FEES AND FACILITIES

Entry Fees

Park entry fees apply and if you don't already have one a [WA National Park Pass](#) can be purchased at the unmanned ticket machine at the Park entrance.

Facilities

- Information Shelter
- Shaded gas BBQ picnic area
- Tables
- Toilets
- Car Park
- Wheelchair friendly boardwalk





WALKS

Five walking trails are available within Mirima with varying degrees of difficulty. All trails are well marked and have interpretive signage for people who want to know about the rich natural history of this park that is culturally more important to the local Miriuwung people.

Banan derdbe-gering fooleng theniyinhang (Path for looking at trees and other things)

Class 1

Distance: 500m loop

Time: Allow 15 minutes

This is an easy walk over an even surface including a boardwalk and is wheelchair friendly. Trailside signs help you get to know some of the local plants and their traditional uses by local Miriwoong Aboriginal People.





Derdbe-gerring Banan (For looking out Trail)

Class 4

Distance: 800m return

Time: Allow 30 minutes

This moderately difficult trail is quite steep with steps and uneven rock surfaces, hence its Grade 4 rating. The trail ends at a lookout, which offers great views of the town and Ord River Valley including the distant ranges.





Yoorrnging Geranyem Banan Trail (Painting on rocks Trail)

Class 5

3.5km one way loop

Allow 2.5hrs

Yoorrnging Geranyem means 'painting on rocks' and Banan means 'trail' in the language of the local Miriwoong people. This rough and rocky trail takes you deep into the rugged heart of Mirima to ancient aboriginal rock art galleries. The rough, rocky trail eventually takes you to the top of the hills. Immerse yourself in the ever-changing landscape and enjoy the abundance of native flora and fauna. Stop at the lookout points and rest areas and listen to the country, you will feel it talking to you.

Appreciate the magnificent views as you walk across the plateau, descend through a natural waterway system and transverse through open woodland past the final art site.

Please be respectful to the local Miriwoong people and do not disturb anything you find.





Demboong Banan Trail (Gap Trail)

Class 3

Distance: 500m return

Time: Allow 20 minutes return

The name of this trail comes from the local Indigenous Miriwoong people. Demboong means Gap and Banan means Trail. This short well-marked trail goes through a small gap between eroded sandstone ranges to a lookout over Kununurra.

Birds are prolific throughout Mirima, especially early morning, which is also a good time to walk to beat the heat. In the valley where the trail begins you may be lucky enough to see families of colourful variegated fairy-wrens flittering in and out of acacia trees and turkey bush. As you climb, you will see and hear rock pigeons. Despite its short nature, care should be taken as the trail is broken up with rock and uneven surfaces.

The sandstone ranges and thickly vegetated valleys are stunningly beautiful, especially early morning or late afternoon. The rocky outcrops geology is not dissimilar to the 'beehive' formations in the Bungle Bungles in Purnululu National Park

The first part of the trail is a wheelchair friendly loop with interpretive signage.





Gerliwany-gerring Banan (For Walking Trail)

Class 3

Distance: 2.2kms return

Time: Allow an hour

This trail runs one-way along the floor of Hidden Valley in Mirima National Park. It's a moderate Class 3 trail that takes the walker through Savanna woodland. There are great views along the way of the rocky sandstone ranges with stunning colours. The colours of these banded sculptured rock formations are even more enhanced just before sunset.

For observing wildlife, the late afternoon is a great time to see agile wallabies, rock wallabies and wallaroos feeding on grasses. Birds such as variegated fairy-wrens and finches can be seen flittering about low vegetation while black kites soar high above.





THE STORY OF THE G.O.A.T.

The goat is a known symbol of 'greatness and excellence', it is often used to describe a sporting athlete who has strived for perfection and set a standard.

The Bungle Bungles in Purnululu National Park are not easy to get too by road, but they are definitely worth visiting. The Spring Creek Track, is called a track for a reason, its winding, rough and sometimes a little challenging depending on how much water is around on the 32 creek crossings. But don't be put off! You will enjoy every bit the experiences you have, whether its by road or air.

We have created this G.O.A.T. guide for those who want to understand the number of ways to see this UNESCO World Heritage Listed National Park.

Have the 'Greatest Of All Time'

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