

Wildflower Wanderer

Highlights

✂ Flexible Holidays

From a jaw-dropping Skywalk to striated seaside cliffs, you'll appreciate a day at leisure to explore Kalbarri. Continue your natural high walking barefoot along Geraldton's sandy coves.

🏞 Iconic Sites

Get set for colour: botanicals in King's Park, wildflowers in national parks and the bleached limestone towers of The Pinnacles.

🏠 Sustainable Travel

Heritage Lynton Station was a convict depot way back in 1853. Your visit helps preserve the buildings and landscapes that remember this slice of history.

🌿 Natural Wonders

Eye-popping is one way to describe Hutt Lagoon, a high-salinity waterway that changes hue from bubble-gum pink to crimson red.



Wildflowers

7 DAY
11 Included Experiences

From **\$3124***

Departure Dates

2024	2025
Sep 15, 22	Sep 7, 21

Definite Departures highlighted in red.

For prices, additional departure dates, flight information, latest deals and year-round offers including past guest offers, group booking discounts for 9+ guests and multi-trip savings, visit aatkings.com/WPKG or contact your local travel agent.

A limited number of single rooms are also available.

Dining

6 Full Breakfasts B	2 Dinners D
2 Lunches L	1 Farewell Dinner FD

1 Welcome to Perth

Arrive early into Perth? The West Australian capital has some of Australia's most happening lifestyle precincts, many filled with eye-popping street art, others with the kind of cafés you might expect to find on the streets of New York. Explore at your leisure before meeting fellow flower lovers for drinks and canapés as the sun sets over the mighty Swan River. **Hotel: Crowne Plaza Perth.**

2 Perth - Kalbarri

Settle in for a few hours of hypnotic coastal scenery as you make your way north to Kalbarri. All the wave gazing is thirsty work. Thankfully, family-owned Illegal Tender Rum Co. has a few quenching distillations prepared for your arrival. Go behind the scenes to glimpse how this distinctive sugar-cane-based spirit is made, sampling award-winning spiced rum (among others) while you wander. Lunch is served on the distillery's deck overlooking dreamy fields, with each bite like Western Australia in a mouthful. **Hotel: Kalbarri Edge Resort. B L D**

3 Kalbarri National Park

Some 400 million years ago, the Murchison River carved its way through Kalbarri National Park, leaving behind echo-inspiring gorges of red-and white banded sandstone as well as soaring coastal cliffs. It's quite the sight, and best taken in from a height. Enter the Kalbarri Skywalk, a precipitous projection 25 metres beyond the gorge rim and a dizzying 100 metres above the river. A different perspective is offered from the Hawk's Head Lookout and Nature's Window, the latter a natural rock arch that frames the gorge far below. The real reason you're here, however, is for the wildflowers – more than 12,000 species carpet this part of the state, 60 per cent of which are found nowhere else on Earth. Some are hard to find, so tread lightly. **Hotel: Kalbarri Edge Resort. B**

4 Kalbarri - Geraldton

Step back in time – all the way to 1853 – when you arrive at Lynton Station, a former convict depot and homestead composed of a collection of historic limestone buildings. Just as eye-opening is Hutt Lagoon, an enormous lake that is sometimes bubblegum pink, sometimes lilac, and occasionally even red. The high salinity here determines its hue at different times of year. Your last stop is the moving HMAS Sydney Memorial, high on the hill overlooking Geraldton; it pays homage to the ship's crew who were lost when it went down off the West Australian coast. **Hotel: Mantra Geraldton. B L D**

5 Geraldton

Geraldton is the gateway to a bedazzlement of wildflowers – picking where to go can be daunting. We have a little black book of hotspots, like Mullewa, which

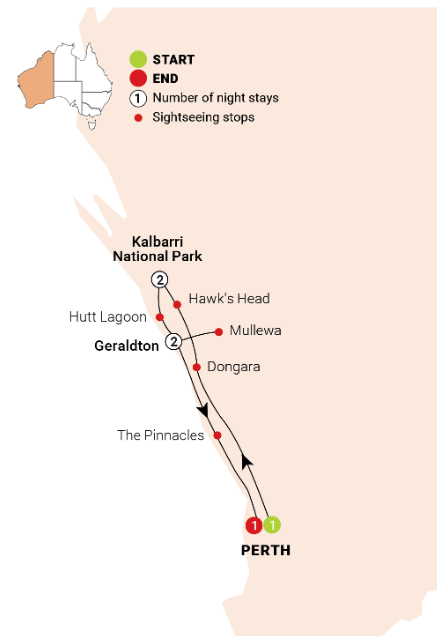
straddles both geological and climatic transition zones. Translation: it's a floral wonderland. Expect waves of everlastings and flowering shrubs along roadsides and in surrounding nature reserves, and have your camera poised to snap the star attraction: the wreath flower. Your Travel Director knows where to look. **Hotel: Mantra Geraldton. B**

6 Geraldton - Perth

Arriving at Nambung National Park, you may think you've been transported to the moon, so surreal is the desert landscape of limestone pillars that surrounds. Welcome to The Pinnacles, jutting out from shifting yellow sands and standing up to five metres tall. You're walking amid history: these structures were created millions of years ago as seashells were broken down into sand and then eroded by water and wind. After a scenic drive back to Perth, join your Travel Director and fellow wildflower lovers for a Farewell Dinner. **Hotel: Crowne Plaza Perth. B FD**

7 Farewell from Perth

You've seen blooms around the state. But one final glimpse remains in Perth's lush Kings Park. It's remarkable to think that this inner-city patch of green is home to the Western Australian Botanic Gardens, replete with more than 3,000 species of the state's unique flora. What a powerful end to a flower-filled journey. **B**



*Prices above are per person in AUD, based on 22 Sep 2024 departure, Adult Twin Share price. Child price and single price may be available on request. Tour information are valid for departures between 1 Sep 2024 – 30 Sep 2024 and may be subject to change. Visit aatkings.com/booking-conditions for terms and conditions. Printed on 27 Feb 2024.