

Kununurra to Broome via Gibb River Trail 17 days



The Gibb River Road is one of the last true outback experiences. Spanning 660 kilometres between Derby and Kununurra, the track passes vast cattle stations, remote wildlife sanctuaries and stunning gorges. View more about the Gibb River Road. Gorge country is found along the rugged Gibb River Road, a long 'bush track' that connects the remote Kimberley cattle stations to Derby and Kununurra. It allows superb access to the virtually untouched natural assets of the Kimberley wilderness. The road cuts through King Leopold Range, Philips Range, Barnett

Range, Gibb Range, Mosquito Hills, Pentecost Range and Cockburn Range. Wildlife concentrates around the densely vegetated waterholes, creeks and many gorges. See prolific birdlife and wildlife, unique flora and the many

families of Boab Trees. However you 'do' the Gibb River Road - it is an outback 4WD adventure never to be forgotten.

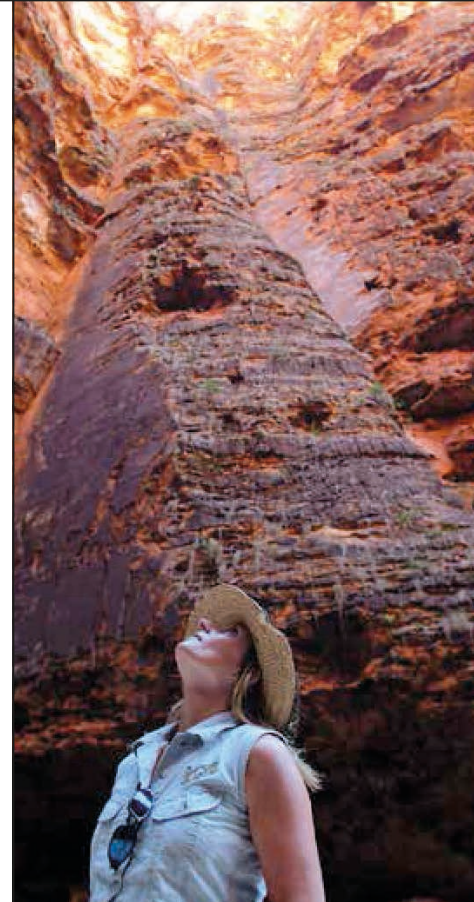
Suggested itinerary

Day 1-2 » Kununurra to Wyndham 106km

Experience the Real Australia and immerse yourself in the famous scenery and views of the Ord Valley and Lake Kununurra at sunset. Kununurra is a local Aboriginal word meaning, "meeting of big waters" so no visit would be complete without doing a cruise along the Ord River, on Lake Argyle or Lake Kununurra. The birdlife and vegetation is breathtaking.

Day 3 » Wyndham to Emma Gorge to El Questro Wilderness Park 100km

Just a one hour drive from Kununurra, the small frontier town of Wyndham was established in 1886 on the tidal banks of the Cambridge Gulf at the base of Mount Bastion. At the mount's summit, over 330 metres above sea level, the fantastic Five Rivers- King, Pentecost, Durack, Forrest and Ord Rivers can be seen. Great fishing is available throughout the year in the waters around Wyndham. Emma Gorge Resort is only 1km off the Gibb River Road. Take a leisurely walk from the resort to Emma Gorge.



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Day 4 » Explore El Questro Wilderness Park

El Questro Wilderness Park is without doubt, one of the world's most unique holiday destinations. A working cattle station with a herd of approximately 5,000, El Questro provides a truly Australian holiday experience. A million acres in size, El Questro is located in Western Australia's untamed Kimberley, and extends for approximately 80 kilometres into the heart of the region.

Day 5 » El Questro to Home Valley Station 60km

Home Valley Station is a working cattle station and tourism operation, 120km west of Kununurra, two minutes off the Gibb River Road. Home Valley Station is a 700,000 acre outback oasis set at the base of the majestic Cockburn Range with access to several river systems and waterholes making it the perfect location for barramundi fishing, boating, canoeing and ancient gorge walks.

Day 6 » Home Valley to Mt Elizabeth Station 250km

Halfway between Derby and Kununurra, Mount Elizabeth is an operating cattle station. The station offers access to gorges and is one of the few locations in the Kimberley that offer guided rock art tours.

Day 7 » Mt Elizabeth Station to Manning Gorge 45km

Manning Gorge offers camping by the tranquil pools of the Manning River. Go bushwalking and discover the Manning Gorge, rock art and waterfall.

Day 8 » Manning Gorge, Galvans Gorge to Charnley River Station 45km

Along the way, be sure to stop at Galvans Gorge a 1km easy walking track to a horseshoe-shaped gorge. Great locations to take a break, relax, swim and take in the beauty of the Gorge, the Boabs and the Aboriginal Rock Art.

Day 9 » Charnley River Station to Charnley Mornington Wilderness Camp 90km

Located in the heart of the Kimberley, Mornington Wilderness Camp offers nearly one million acres of spectacular gorges and tropical savannah dominated by the Fitzroy River and King Leopold Ranges.

Day 10 » Mornington Wilderness Camp to Diamond Gorge

Rugged and remote, Diamond Gorge sits amidst the Kimberley outback near Mornington Wilderness Camp. Here, you can go bushwalking, swimming, canoeing and bird watching. Tucked away at the end of the Diamond Gorge is a beautiful waterfall.

Day 11+12 » Mornington Wilderness Camp to Imintji Wilderness Camp and Bell Gorge 75km

Imintji Wilderness Camp is situated

on Saddlers Creek adjacent to Imintji Aboriginal Community. Imintji is an ideal base from which to explore Bell Gorge and the numerous magnificent gorges of the Gibb River Rd.

Day 13 » Bell Gorge, Lennard Gorge to Mt Hart Wilderness Lodge 80km

Step off the well trodden tourist trail and explore beautiful Lennard Gorge. If you can get there shortly after the wet season, you will be awestruck by the spectacular cascading waterfall, as it tumbles over the rugged rocks and plunges into the narrow gorge below. Mt Hart Wilderness Lodge is a ten acre oasis of beautiful lush tropical gardens situated alongside the majestic Barker River. The magnificent Mt Matthew, Talbot and Yellow-Man Gorges are only short drives away from the homesteads.

Day 14 » Mt Hart Wilderness Lodge to Windjana Gorge 90km

Windjana Gorge is a picturesque 3.5km gorge. It offers great nature walks. The walls of Windjana Gorge rise up from floodplain of Lennard River, reaching 100 metres high in some places.

Day 15 » Windjana Gorge, Tunnel Creek to Derby 119km

A visit to the Tunnel Creek National Park is a truly unique experience that you must include on your Kimberley itinerary. Close to Windjana Gorge, allowing you to see both landmarks in one day. Tunnel Creek contains Western Australia's oldest cave system. Walk through the 750-metre tunnel which takes you from one side of the Napier Range to the other.

Day 16 » Derby - Broome 222km

Ten kilometres from Derby on the Gibb River Road, call into Mowanjum Aboriginal Community to visit their amazing art centre built in the shape of the Spirit of the Wandjina. Derby is located on an ancient sand dune, it has become a popular stopover for visitors heading into the gorge country of the vast northwest. With 11 metre tides, the highest in the southern hemisphere, a visit to Derby is not complete without seeing high and low tide at the Derby Wharf. Off the coast of Derby is the Buccaneer Archipelago also known as the Thousand Islands.

Day 17 » Broome

Unwind and relax in Broome. Enjoy a day of pampering at one of the luxurious day spas or shop for some pearls in Chinatown. When you arrive in Broome you will notice the laid back atmosphere for which the town is famous. Experience the magical sunset on Cable Beach and when in season the stairway to the moon.

Highlights

- » Cable Beach, Broome
- » Broome Pearls
- » Museums
- » School of the Air and Royal Flying Doctor Base
- » Derby's Prison Boab Tree
- » Boab Trees
- » Derby's 11 metre tides, the highest in the southern hemisphere.
- » National Parks, conservation parks waterfalls, major river systems, bushwalking, abundant wildlife
- » Bush hospitality and gourmet country cuisine.
- » Tropical gardens, vegetation Working stations
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- » Station, eco tents and camping and homestead style accommodation.
- » Fishing, swimming, photographic opportunities.
- » Argyle diamonds.

Visitor Centres

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Broome	1800 883 777
Derby	(08) 9191 1426
Karratha	(08) 9144 4600
Kununurra	(08) 9168 1177
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