

## **Tour 10 – Monkey Mia, Kalbarri & Pinnacles**

### **Day 1 (Perth - Kalbarri)**

Depart Perth at 7am, and head north in air-conditioned comfort. Enjoy morning tea at Yanchep National Park, and see koalas, kangaroos and a variety of local bird-life. Continue along Indian Ocean Drive, and view spectacular sand dunes and seasonal wildflowers (Aug - Oct). Enjoy lunch and perhaps a swim at Port Denison or Geraldton. During the afternoon drive through farming countryside, view the leaning trees of Greenough, the Lynton convict hiring depot, the Pink Lake and the coastal cliffs of Kalbarri National Park for stunning ocean views. Enjoy the Kalbarri resort pool and facilities before dinner.

Dinner...Overnight Kalbarri

### **Day 2 (Kalbarri - Monkey Mia)**

Explore the magnificent rocky landscape of Ross Graham and Hawks Head lookouts in Kalbarri National Park, some of the most spectacular views along the Murchison River gorge. Continue north to the Shark Bay world heritage area and stop at Shell Beach, one of only two all-shell beaches in the world. Visit Eagle Bluff for spectacular views of the Shark Bay waters, and look for sharks, rays and turtles feeding among the seagrass. Arrive at the Monkey Mia dolphin resort with the afternoon free to enjoy the resort beach, pool and facilities, and perhaps see dolphins and turtles feeding near the shoreline. After dinner, enjoy some stargazing away from the lights of the city.

Breakfast & Dinner...Overnight Monkey Mia Dolphin Resort

### **Day 3 (Monkey Mia - Kalbarri)**

Begin the day with a full breakfast overlooking the world famous Monkey Mia dolphin interaction area, then join the national park rangers for close-up views and perhaps the thrill of hand-feeding one of these beautiful creatures. Spend an hour cruising the Shark Bay waters aboard a catamaran, looking for dolphins, dugongs, turtles and other marine life and (time permitting) visiting an off-shore pearling operation. After a brief stop in Denham, visit Hamelin Pool and see the ancient stromatolites. View the red outback terrain during the return drive to Kalbarri, with time to enjoy the resort pool and facilities before your Aussie BBQ dinner.

Breakfast & Dinner...Overnight Kalbarri

### **Day 4 (Kalbarri - Pinnacles - Perth)**

Stop at Pot Alley for a morning view of the Indian Ocean, then drive to the port city of Geraldton for a visit to the impressive HMAS Sydney memorial. Enjoy lunch and perhaps a swim on the beach of a local fishing town. Complete the tour with a visit to Nambung National Park, home of the mysterious Pinnacles discovery desert. There you are driven through these amazing ancient limestone pillars, with opportunities to walk about and explore the wide variety of Pinnacles and the interpretive centre. Return to Perth approximately 6pm, leaving you to reminisce your Travel Bug experience north.

Breakfast