

Kalbarri is a tourist friendly coastal town located 590 kilometres north of Perth (6 hours drive), Western Australia. Discover the wonderful attractions of this rugged stretch of unspoiled coastline and the majesty of the rugged Murchison Gorge and Kalbarri National Park. There are plenty of accommodation options for Kalbarri from backpacker hostels and campsites to motels, hotels and self catering apartments.

Sights & Attractions

Magnificent Kalbarri National Park features the infamous Murchison Gorge and the Murchison River. Within its boundaries you will find one of the most visited sights of Kalbarri; a phenomenon of geography and geology known as the “Z-Bend” walking trail (spectacular views) and “Natures Window”, a unique rock formation overlooking hundreds of kilometres of Murchison River. Recreational activities for visitors include the ever-popular abseiling and canoeing tours which take you through the Kalbarri Gorges, an 80 kilometre long section of the Murchison River.

The coastline surrounding Kalbarri, also boasts some amazing gorges and coastal cliffs. These are not far from the town centre and can easily be accessed by car or for the more active, hire a bike and ride along this stunning piece of coastline. If you can, try to visit the cliffs at sunset, the colours are all the more vibrant as the sun goes down over the Indian Ocean. The coastal gorges are also a great place to spot migrating whales throughout the year.

Another major attraction in the region is the wildflowers that, in season (September to November), bloom along this coast creating a vivid tapestry of rich colour. Other family activities include the mini-golf (located in the town-centre), daily pelican feeding on the waterfront, paddle-boats and yacht cruises. Recreational fishing is also a popular pastime in Kalbarri, with good catches possible from the beaches at Wittecara Creek and Blue Holes as well as from the numerous cliffs along the coastline, or jump on a fishing charter for the deep sea fishing experience.

Another particularly scenic and well-visited tourist attraction is the Rainbow Jungle (The Australian Parrot Breeding Centre), located just a few kilometres south of the main town-centre. For only a few dollars per person you can take a walking tour through the centre that features hundreds, if not thousands, of birds in their native habitat. There is also a walk-in cage that allows humans to interact with the birds.

Climate

The warm Mediterranean style climate is a key reason as to why Kalbarri is such a popular holiday destination. The summers are very warm but the long winter months are very mild and allow visitors to enjoy the local sights all year round.

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