

Exmouth is a small town on the tip of the North West Cape in Western Australia. The town is located 1270 kilometres north of Perth and has a population of just 2000 people which swells to 6000 during the peak tourist season. Exmouth is a great base to explore the surrounding spectacular landscapes, pristine white beaches and nature in all its glory, both in the water and on dry land.

The town of Exmouth was originally established to support the Communications base located at the North West Cape. While the base is still operating at a reduced capacity the town has since reinvented itself as the gateway to the Ningaloo Reef making it a top tourism destination within Western Australia. Exmouth is one of the few areas in Australia that can boast the "Range to Reef" experience. In fact it is often compared to, though more favourably than, the Great Barrier Reef as the reef can be accessed from the beach, instead of an hour long boat trip to get there! Accommodation in Exmouth ranges from camping and caravanning to hotels or motels and also several backpacker hostels.

Sights & Attractions

Exmouth offers access to the rugged beauty of the Cape Range National Park and the aquatic splendor of the world renowned Ningaloo Marine Park. The Cape Range National Park covers an area of 506 square kilometres with some amazing gorges and unique native flora and fauna. The majority of this national park is on the west coast of the Cape, stretching down to Yardie Creek where you can take a cruise. The coast of Cape Range is fringed with stunning pristine beaches and the Ningaloo Reef is only metres from the shore. For a true outback experience there are a large variety of secluded camp sites for visitors on the west coast of the Park. If you take the road on the east side of the cape that leads inland to the National Park you'll find some amazing rugged red gorges named Shothole Canyon and Charles Knife gorge.

In Exmouth itself you can meet the local wild emus that roam the streets of town or view kangaroos at sunset as they graze the green grass of the local ovals. The Yardie creek boat cruise is another popular way to spot native birds and animals. For excellent views, particularly at sunset, the Vlamingh Head Lighthouse is wonderful. From here whales can often be seen passing by on their way north or south in the Indian Ocean.

Every year following the mass spawning of coral in the Ningaloo Marine Park the world's biggest species of fish, the Whaleshark, migrate in large numbers to the region from April to July. The chance to snorkel with these gentle giants is the opportunity of a lifetime and visitors from all over the world head to the Ningaloo Reef during Whaleshark season. Whalesharks cruise the world's ocean in search of plankton to feed on and these awe inspiring filter feeders can grow up to a massive 14 metres long. The stunning Ningaloo Reef is one of the only places in the world where these magnificent fish appear regularly in large numbers. To snorkel and swim with them please contact us for local information

and bookings. Exmouth offers a range of tours to interact with the local marine life and stunning landscape, including glass bottom boat trips, sunset scooter rides, deep sea fishing, manta ray swims, turtle nesting tours, whale watching trips, quadbiking and safari tours.

Climate

Exmouth has a fantastic climate, it's no wonder more people are moving to this sea side town. It is dry and warm all year round, as Exmouth is too far south to have a wet season. In summer, day time temperatures range from the high 30's (°C) to mid 40's. In winter it's a little cooler with day time temperatures ranging from 17 to 26°C. The only time you may face some rain in Exmouth is during the cyclone season. Tropical storms sometimes pass over Exmouth during February and March.

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