#### **PERTH**

The sun-kissed modern city of Perth basks in its glorious isolation from the rest of the country. Here the city's glittering skyline is reflected in the Swan River. Perth's pleasures extend beyond its city limits; dozens of golden beaches line its coast. To the south, is the vibrant port city of Fremantle which seamlessly combines its maritime and convict heritage with bustling street markets, trendy restaurants and microbreweries.

## Day 1

On arrival at Perth International Airport you will be met by a representative of Southern Crossings who will hand over your Australian documentation and transfer you by private vehicle to your accommodation.

Accommodation for two nights in a King Treasury Balcony Room including breakfast at:

**COMO The Treasury** 

# Day 2

While at leisure in Perth we suggest the following optional activities:

Discover the beauty of Perth and historic Fremantle on a full day tour

Take a leisurely stroll around Queens Gardens and Kings Park, 400 hectares of pristine bush land with panoramic views over the city

Enjoy a full day tour to the superb Swan Valley wine region

Take a Swim with the Dolphins cruise from Rockingham

For nature lovers experience Perth beautiful coastline and wildlife on Dolphin, Penguin and Sea Lion day tour

Enjoy a ferry excursion to fascinating Rottnest Island

Cruise on the Swan River

Visit Cottesloe Beach for a refreshing swim or to watch a breath taking Indian Ocean sunset

Visit Monkey Mia by air to experience dolphins in the wild

Spend a day visiting the fascinating Pinnacles region, including a helicopter flight back to Perth

#### MARGARET RIVER

Just a 3 hour drive south from Perth visitors to the Margaret River region are presented with an impressive smorgasbord of good food, world class wineries, boutique breweries and colourful arts and crafts galleries. The region features labyrinths of fascinating lime stone caves, white sandy beaches and spectacular coastal scenery. Epicureans and bronzed Aussie surfers are equally drawn to this region 's attractions to indulge, explore and enjoy!

### Day 3

Today commence independent arrangements to Perth City depot to collect your mid-size SUV automatic rental vehicle including daily insurance, unlimited kilometers, accident excess reduction, GPS and drive to your accommodation (approximately a 3 hour drive).

Accommodation for three nights in a King Lakeside Room including afternoon-tea, dinner and breakfast at:

Cape Lodge

### Day 4

This morning you will be met at your accommodation by your private guide and vehicle for a day tour of the Margaret River.

Discover the lifestyle of the region through a range of private experiences and scenic touring. Particular attention is paid to introducing you personally to the characters of Margaret River. Experience the 'sense of place' from which local artisans draw their creativity to produce their inspirational works as you make your way to private studios and galleries. By way of private appointment, be introduced to and chat with these local characters and identities. Gain a greater appreciation of the creative process by watching them at work.

Discover one of the boutique wineries with the opportunity to meet and chat with the owner/winemaker whilst tasting their premium wines.

Gain an appreciation of the local produce available within the region whilst dining at an award winning winery restaurant. At your leisure, discuss the art of food and wine matching with the chef or maitre d' (wine consumed at lunch or purchased on the day is at additional cost).

Following lunch, take time to breathe in the fresh ocean air and perhaps complete your day with more scenic touring or an olive oil tasting and learn the art of making aromatic and lively olive oils with a 'behind the scenes' tour of the production facility. Or, alternatively, heighten your senses with a cheese tasting and discover what wines marry perfectly with what cheeses.

Upon conclusion of the tour you will be transferred to your accommodation at approximately 5:30pm

Day 5

While at leisure in the Margaret River region we suggest the following optional activities:

Visit the regions local wineries including Vasse Felix winery and art gallery featuring works from Holmes a Court collection

Relax at one of the many beautiful beaches nearby

Visit Gunyulgup Gallery featuring a wide range of art, sculpture, furniture and jewelry

Tour the magnificent limestone caves

Enjoy whale watching (in season) or dolphin spotting

For the adventurous, enjoy abseiling and rock climbing

Take one of the areas many beautiful bush walks

Visit the underwater Observatory at Busselton Jetty

### SOUTH WEST WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Whales, wrecks, woodlands and wildflowers await in Western Australia's South West. The coastline from Denmark to Albany is dotted with quiet coves, dramatic cliffs and wild surf beaches. Its townships tell tales of early European settlers and the region's colourful whaling history. Its waters invite visitors to join a whale watchin9 cruise, dive one of the many great shipwrecks or ride the rollin9 surf Inland, towering karriforests line spectacularly scenic drives and, in Spring (October to December), the Stirling Range National Park showcases a blanket of colourful wildflowers.

Day 6

Today depart your accommodation and drive to Albany (approximately a 4 hour and 15 minute drive).

Accommodation for two nights in King Colonnade Wing Room including breakfast at:

Beach House at Bayside

Day 7

While at leisure in Albany we suggest the following optional activities:

Enjoy a stroll along Middleton Beach Boardwalk

Visit Anzac War Memorial and Lookout

Take a drive to Porongupup National Park

Visit the Residency Museum, The Old Gaol and Patrick Taylor Cottage, the oldest surviving dwelling in Western Australia

Go canoeing along the harbour

Visit the Gap, and walk to the edge of the abyss and look down to the ocean below (from behind the safety barriers!)

Join a tour cruise along the harbour

Charter a boat out and enjoy a day out fishing

Albany Reef Explorer

Valley of the Giants Tree Top Walk

Aero Club Sight Seeing Flights

Visit Greens Pool and walk amongst the white sandy beach and swim in the clear green water

Enjoy a Bush walks on one of the 30 different trails including Torndirrup National Park and be amazed at the windswept coastal heaths give way to massive granite outcrops, sheer cliffs and steep sandy slopes and dunes

Take in views of the Ataturk Channel from Marine Drive and have the chance to spot some whales (whaling season Aug - Oct)

The beauty of the Stirling mountain landscape, its diverse flora and the challenge of climbing Bluff Knoll make a trip to the Stirling Range National Park worthwhile. For those after leisurely walk, enjoy the environment around the climb with an easy walk in the wildflowers.

Day 8

Today depart your accommodation, drive to Perth (approximately a 5 hour drive) and return your rental vehicle to the city depot. Then make your way independently to your accommodation.

Accommodation for one night in a King Treasury Balcony Room including breakfast at:

**COMO The Treasury** 

**BROOME** 

Surrounded by white sandy beaches, pindan cliffs and turquoise waters, Broome was established as a pearling town in the 18801s and now boasts a multi-cultural population due to the many nationalities who flocked to the shores of Roebuck Bay hoping to make their fortunes from the pearling industry.

Today you will be met at your accommodation by your private driver and vehicle and transferred to Perth Airport for your onward flight.

Fly Perth to Broome (cost not included)

On arrival at Broome Airport you will be met by a representative of Cable Beach Club Resort and transferred by shared vehicle to your accommodation.

Accommodation for two nights in a King Ocean Side Studio Room including breakfast at:

Cable Beach Club Resort and Spa

Day 10

While at leisure in Broome we suggest the following optional activities:

Ride a camel along the Cable Beach

See the amazing play of colours as the sun sets over the Indian Ocean

Take a day trip to Cape Leveque at the tip of the Dampier Peninsula

Choose from a variery of scenic flights and air excursions to the spectacular gorges of the Kimberley

Experience pearling at Willie Creek Pearl Farm

Browse the Pearl shops in Chinatown

Visit the historic sites such as the 1888 Courthouse and Pioneer Cemetery and the Broome Historical Society Museum

Explore the Mowanjum Aboriginal Art and Culture Centre

Swim at Cable Beach

See a movie at the Outdoor Cinema

Visit the Broome Bird Observatory

Experience Staircase to the Moon - this amazing natural phenomenon occurs when the full moon rises across the exposed tidal flats and creates the impression of a staircase leading to the moon.

#### NINGALOO REEF

Nothing can compare to the thrill of swimming beside the world's largest fish - the docile whale shark - which visit the waters of the Ningaloo Reef each year between April and June. Ningaloo Reef is one of the largest fringing reefs in the world, stretching 260km along the coast and nearly 20kms seaward from the beach. It is bounded by the small fishing townships of Exmouth and Coral Bay - both of which have retained their original charm and are linked by an endless expanse of sandy beaches.

Day 11

Today you will be met at your accommodation by a representative of the resort and transferred to Broome Airport for your onward flight.

Fly by private charter from Broome to Learmonth (included in the cost)

Depart Broome Arrive Learmonth

Please note: Luggage is restricted to a maximum weight of 10kg (22lb) per person in soft bags

On arrival at Learmonth Airport you will be met by a representative of Sal Salis Ningaloo Reef resort for your 30 minute scenic flight to the resort.

Fly Learmonth to Sal Salis (included in the cost) Depart Learmonth

**Arrive Sal Salis** 

Please note: Luggage is restricted to a maximum weight of 10kg (22lb) per person in soft bags. Storage for excess luggage is available at Learmonth Airport. Alternatively excess luggage can be delivered to the resort by road at additional cost (advance notice required).

Stretching 280 km along Western Australia's harsh and arid coast, the Ningaloo Reef is anextraordinary yet strangely unknown jewel in Australia's natural heritage. Here's where you'll see the giant whale shark – the world's largest fish – and turtles that come ashore to lay their eggs in summer. Lying just north of the Tropic of Capricorn the waters are warm for most of the year and the beaches are white and beautifully clean.

Hidden in the dunes overlooking pristine beaches and coral reefs, the Sal Salis exclusive bush camp exudes 'Wild Bush Luxury', bringing a touch of style to a remote and beautiful wilderness region.

On arrival you will be met by a representative of the lodge for an introduction to your Sal Salis Ningaloo Reef experience.

Accommodation for three nights in a King Wilderness Tent including meals, beverages and selected activities at:

Sal Salis

Day 12 – Day 13

While at Ningaloo Reef we recommend the following optional activities:

Wildlife watching

Guided gorge walks

Sea kayak trips

Snorkeling

Diving (additional cost)

Fishing (additional cost)

Whale shark charters April – July (additional cost)

Humpback whale charters August – October (additional cost)

Star gazing

Day 14

Today you will be met by a representative of the lodge and transferred to the nearby airstrip for your 30 minute scenic flight to Learmonth Airport to connect with your onward flight.

Fly Sal Salis to Learmonth (included in the cost) Depart Sal Salis

Arrive Learmonth

Please note: Luggage is restricted to a maximum weight of 10kg (22lb) per person in soft bags. Road transfer can be arranged for excess luggage at additional cost (advance notice required).

Fly Learmonth to Perth (cost not included)

On arrival at Perth Domestic Airport you will be met by your private driver and vehicle and transferred to Perth International Airport for your onward flight.

**Depart Perth**