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GENERAL INFORMATION

Perth Observatory is the only fully operational State observatory in Australia. For over 100 years it has served the State of Western Australia by its provision of information and educational services, as well as conducting international-standard astronomical research.

Our tours are very popular, so **booking is essential**, except for 2 pm Sunday tours.

To book, telephone the Observatory on (08) 9293 8255 between 9:00am and 4:00pm.

You must then confirm your booking within 7 calendar days by Bankcard, Mastercard, Visa, Amex, cheque or postal order made payable to:

Perth Observatory Walnut Rd Bickley 6076

All tours are supervised by astronomical staff.

To minimise inconvenience to other visitors please ensure you **arrive** well before the start time.

This is an outdoor activity so bring warm clothes and stout, comfortable footwear.

In the interests of safety, smoking is restricted in the Observatory buildings and grounds.

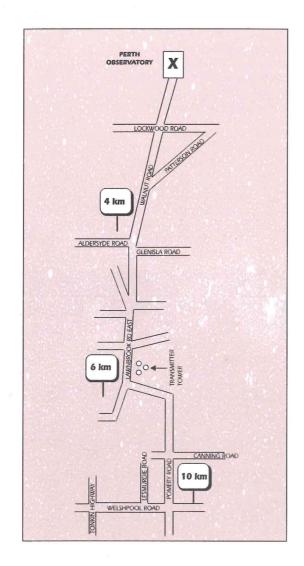
Your safety is our concern, but your responsibility.

Perth Observatory strives to provide the highest level of customer service as well as unique and enjoyable educational experiences. However, conditions may require a change of tour content or structure at short notice.

Night tours are subject to rescheduling due to unfavourable weather. (We guarantee to show you the stars—but we can't guarantee the weather.)

A full list of conditions is available upon request.

Astronomy information line: (08) 9293 8109 General enquiries phone: (08) 9293 8255 facsimile: (08) 9293 8138 email: perthobs@calm.wa.gov.wa web site: http://www.wa.gov.au/perthobs.

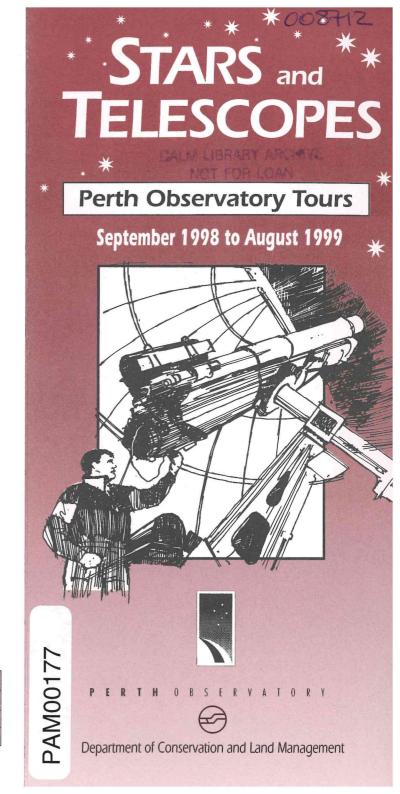


Perth Observatory Walnut Road Bickley

Approximate travel times from:

Perth	35 min	Kalamunda	15 min
Midland	30 min	Rockingham	80 min
Fremantle	55 min	Wanneroo	55 min
Armadale	40 min	Perth Airport	30 min

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STAR VIEWING NIGHTS

Join professional astronomers using a range of telescopes on a guided tour of the Universe.

Tour duration: 90 minutes, \$15 adult \$10 child/concession Mid-week charges \$12 adult \$8 child/concession

NIGHT SKY EXPLORER NIGHTS

BOOKING is ESSENTIAL — call (08) 9293 8255 View the Moon, visible planets, stars, star clusters and nebulae.

1998, September 26[†], 27[†], 28, 29 & 30 7:00pm and 9:00pm start

1998, October 1 & 2 7:00pm and 9:00pm start

1998, October 25^{1st}, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30[†] & 31[†] 7:30pm and 9:30pm start

1998, November 23¹⁴, 24¹⁴, 25, 26, 27[†], 28[†] & 29 8:00pm and 9:45pm start

1999, January 21^{1st}, 22^{†,1st}, 23[†], 24, 25, 26 & 27 8:00pm and 9:45pm start

1999, February 5^{t,2nd} 8:00pm and 9:45pm start

1999, February 19^{†,1st}, 20^{†,1st}, 21, 22, 23, 24 & 25 7:30pm and 9:30pm start

1999, March 20^{†,1st}, 21^{1st}, 22, 23, 24, 25 & 26[†] 7:00pm and 9:00pm start

1999, April 19^{1st}, 20^{1st}, 21, 22, 23[†], 24[†] & 25[†] 7:00pm and 9:00pm start

†Mid-week charges not available.

1st First session only. ^{2nd} Second session only.

Other dates available subject to demand.

DEEP SKY NIGHTS

BOOKING is ESSENTIAL—call (08) 9293 8255

View planets, stars, star clusters, nebulae and distant galaxies in dark skies.

1998, October 14, 15 & 25^{2nd} 7:30pm and 9:30pm start

1998, November 11, 12, 23^{2nd} & 24^{2nd}

8:00pm and 9:45pm start 1998, December 9, 10, 11[†], 12[†], 13, 14, 15 & 16

8:00pm and 9:45pm start

1999, January 7, 8[†], 9[†], 10, 11, 12, 13, 21^{2nd} & 22^{†,2nd} 8:00pm and 9:45pm start

1999, February 5^{t,1st}, 6^t, 7, 8, 9 & 10 8:00pm and 9:45pm start

1999, February 19^{1,2nd} & 20^{1,2nd} 7:30pm and 9:30pm start 1999, March 8, 9, 10, 11 & 12[†] 7:30pm and 9:30pm start

1999, March 20^{1,2nd} & 21^{2nd} 7:00pm and 9:00pm start

1999, April 9[†], 10[†], 19^{2nd}, & 20^{2nd} 7:00pm and 9:00pm start

†Mid-week charges not available.

1st First session only. ^{2nd} Second session only.

Other dates available subject to demand.

COMET CATCHER NIGHTS

BOOKING is ESSENTIAL—call (08) 9293 8255

View a spectacular comet, visible planets, and stars. But check by phoning the Observatory, as dates depend on whether a bright comet is visible.



SPECIAL EVENT—ANNULAR ECLIPSE

Join Perth Observatory astronomers to view this very rare, spectacular event from our special viewing site. For about 30 seconds the Sun is <u>almost</u> covered up, just leaving a thin "ring of fire" around the edge of the Moon.

Charges apply.

1999, February 16 (next one for WA in the year 2013).

DAY TOURS

Tour the Observatory grounds, inspect modern and historic telescopes, view the Sun's sunspots (weather and time permitting), and view a "Highlights of the Universe" slide show.

These tours are mainly for groups of more than 20 visitors, but small groups are welcome to apply.

Tour duration: 90 minutes, \$6 adult \$4 child/concession

BOOKING is ESSENTIAL—call (08) 7293 8255

1998, September 7, 8, 9*, 10 & 11

1998, November 2, 3, 4*, 5, & 6

1999, February 11 & 12

1999, March 2, 3*, 4 & 5

1999, May 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 & 31

1999, June 1, 2*, 3 & 4

1999, August 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6

10:00am and 12:30pm start *10:00am only Other dates available subject to demand.

2pm SUNDAY TOURS

Tour the Observatory grounds, inspect modern and historic telescopes, view the Sun's sunspots (weather and time permitting), and view a "Highlights of the Universe" slide show.

EVERY SUNDAY 2pm

(except 1998, December 27 and 1999, April 4)
Tour duration: 90 minutes, \$6 adult \$4 child/concession **Booking not required.**

SCHOOL HOLIDAY DAY TOURS

Run out of things to do in the holidays? Tour the Observatory grounds, inspect modern and historic telescopes, view the Sun's sunspots (weather and time permitting), and view a "Highlights of the Universe" slide show.

Tour duration: 90 minutes, \$6 adult \$4 child/concession BOOKING is ESSENTIAL—call (08) 9293 8255

1999, January 14, 15, 18, 19 & 20 1999, July 12, 13 & 14 10:00am start

Other dates available subject to demand.

ASTRONOMY FIELD NIGHTS

We bring our telescopes to your site and show you the stars. These are generally conducted outside the dates of the other activities. Charges apply.

SHOP

Our well-stocked shop sells many astronomy-related items such as posters, slide sets, project kits, books, planispheres and much more. Mail orders are accepted.

