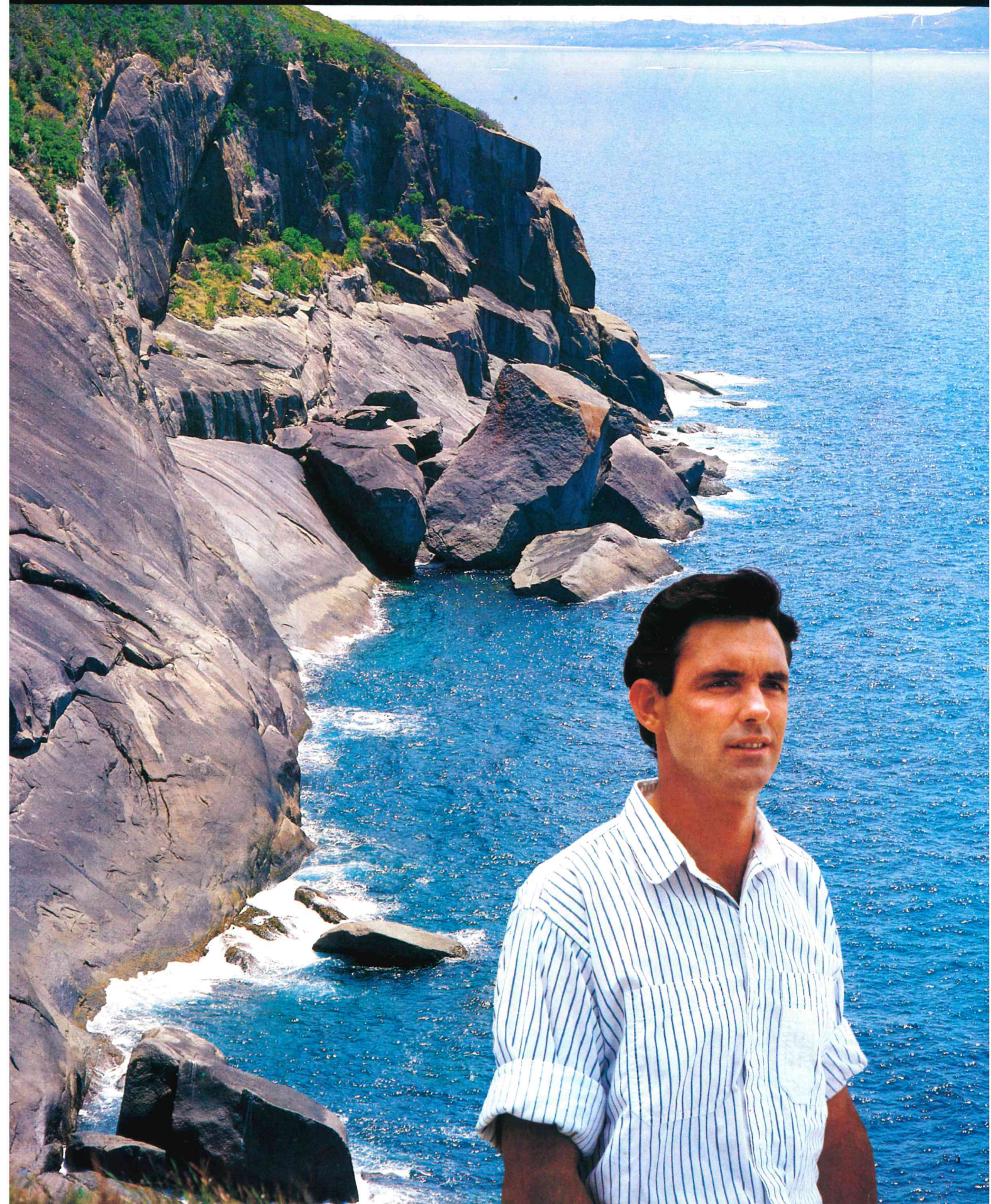


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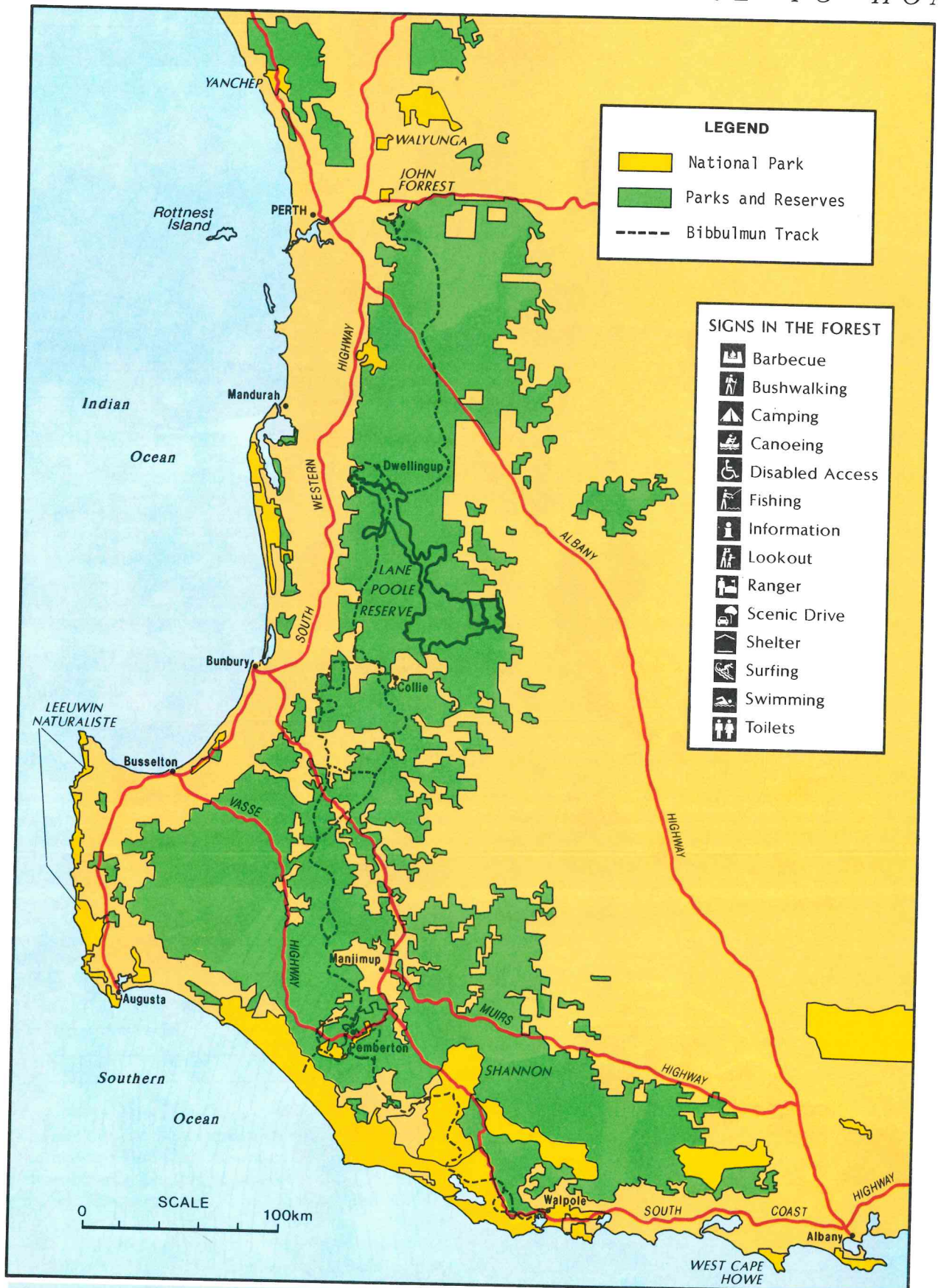
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Why don't you treat your family to a world of discovery and excitement in one of Western Australia's 54 national parks?

Visit the towering Karri forests of the south-west, the vast inland deserts that are home to some of our most unique flora and fauna...the pristine white beaches of peaceful coastal bays.

For more than 100 years the State has protected significant areas of its natural heritage.

Today more than 4.5 million hectares of Western Australia is classified as national park, vibrant wilderness museums that are open every day of the year.

Places we can all enjoy, respect and learn from.

The vastness of our State, its varied climates and vegetation offer diverse, challenging experiences.

You can picnic for an hour amongst fields of everlastings, camp for a week in sheltered forest glades or canoe on paperbark-lined waterways.

Whatever you choose, your experience will be unique.

Nowhere in Western Australia is the diversity of national parks more evident than in the south-west of the State, parks that are within a day's drive of Perth.

On the south coast between Eucla and Bremer Bay, windswept heaths cover rolling coastal plains stretching to the horizon.

The wildlife and colourful flora here are found nowhere else in the world.

Around Albany, dramatic coastal cliffs stand over the southern ocean. Towering peaks and



outcrops, islands and low lying shrublands form part of the protected environment.

Between Walpole and Perth the landscape changes to majestic forests, raging rapids and waterfalls.

Cool rivers weave through several national parks, in spring the bush is swathed in the purple, red and white of the unique native flora.

National parks are places to escape to...somewhere you can go to leave the city traffic and noise behind.

Each park has its own special plants and animals, its own striking features and individual character.

Each is a unique part of Western Australia.

Why don't you discover one today?

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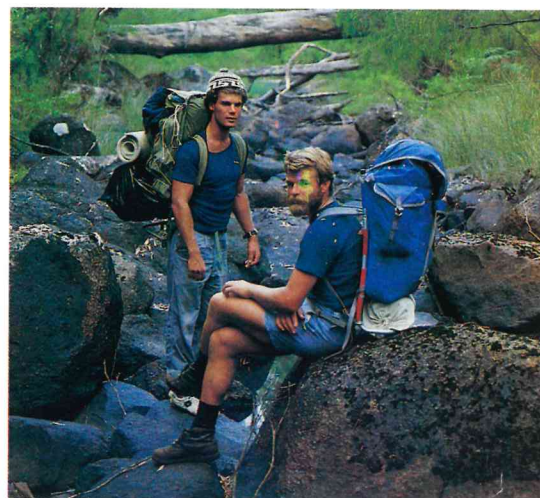
You can experience many of our national parks by walking the Bibbulmun Track, a 650 km walk between Kalamunda and Walpole.

The Track is named after a distinct Aboriginal language group known as the "Bibbulmun" who inhabited some of the areas through which the Track passes. Opened in 1979, the Bibbulmun Track is W.A.'s first long distance walk track.

The Bibbulmun Track is not for the long distance walker only. Short walks have been included in each region. Circuit walks have been developed, allowing you to leave your car at the start, walk for a day, a weekend or a

week without backtracking, and return to your car.

Campsites have been placed about one day's walk apart (15-25km).



YANCHEP NATIONAL PARK

Yanchep has been one of Perth's most popular recreation areas for more than 50 years.

The park is a place of contrasts. At Yanchep you can see native bush, wild kangaroos and a stunning array of spring wildflowers side by side with



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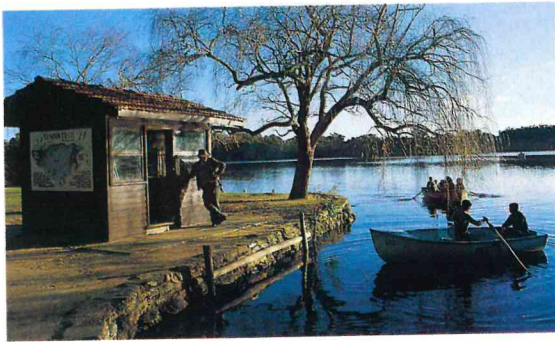
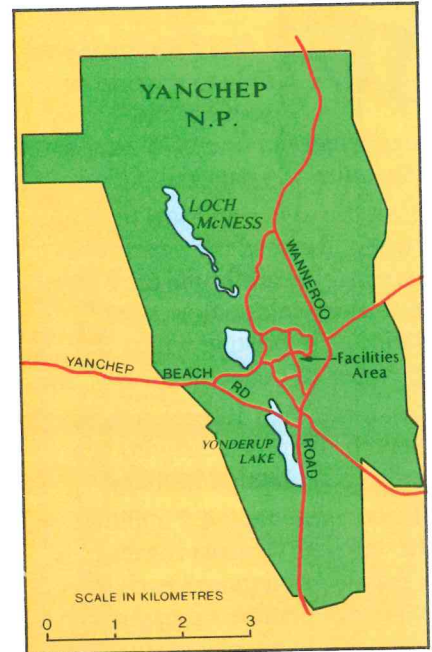
51 km north of Perth on Wanneroo Road.

Travelling time:

1 Hour from Perth.

manicured lawns, Tudor-styled buildings, cultivated native gardens and a colony of koalas, originally imported from Victoria in the 1930's.

Included in the Park are beautiful caves, picnic and barbecue areas set amongst shaded lawns, self-guiding walktrails, a hotel, and the Gloucester Lodge museum.



JOHN FORREST NATIONAL PARK

Originally declared an 'A' class reserve in 1898, John Forrest is Perth's oldest national park.

Through the centre of the park tumbles the Jane Brook. From vantage points on the scenic drive that runs through the 1580 ha reserve, the edge of the Darling scarp drops away to the coastal plain and Perth.

The visitor area contains tearooms, a tavern and restaurant, a swimming hole, cultivated native gardens and a barbecue area.



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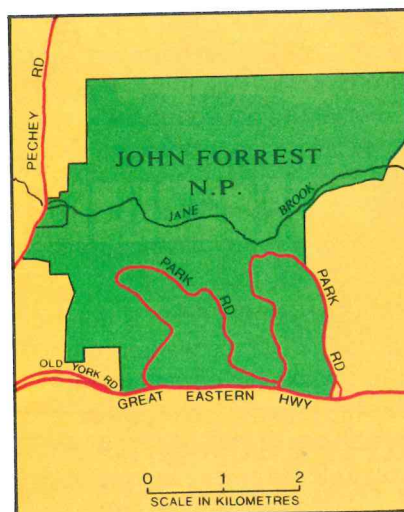
26 km from Perth. Follow Great Eastern Highway from Midland, climb Greenmount Hill. Park entrance No.1 is on the left hand side at the crest of the hill.

Travelling time:

30 minutes from Perth.

The rest of the reserve is largely in its virgin state and a great variety of plant communities, from jarrah forest and paperbark swamp to the microcosmic world of the granite rock dwellers are spread throughout the area.

Rangers are based in the park, and can be contacted on (09) 298 8344 if you have any questions.



WALYUNGA NATIONAL PARK

Nearly 1800 ha of virgin bushland, Walyunga sits on the very rim of the Darling Scarp. Through the centre of the park runs the Swan River which spreads out into long pools in its granite bed.

In winter the river is swollen by the Avon and Woorooloo Brooks and is a popular spot for canoeists who paddle the rapids. The park was once the site of one of the largest Aboriginal living areas near Perth.

Still in use by the Nyungar late last century, archaeological evidence suggests that the area has been used by the tribes for more than 40,000 years.

A ranger is based at Walyunga to help you with any problems or questions you may have.

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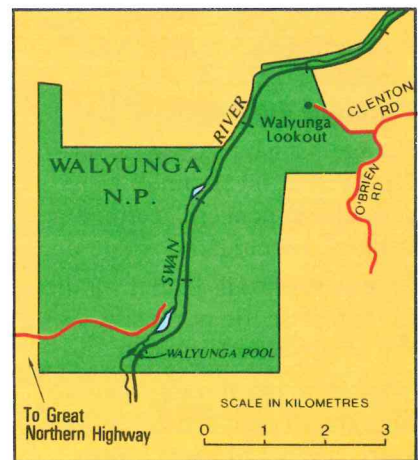
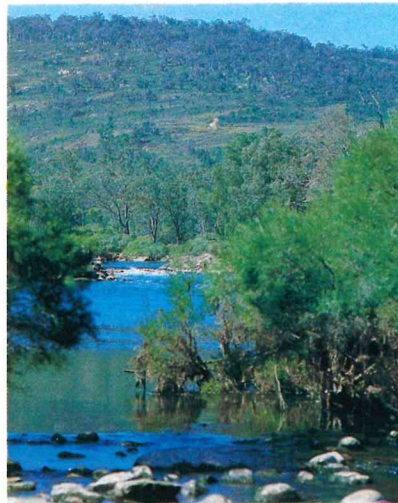


Where is it?

North of Midland on Great Northern Highway.

Travelling time:

45 minutes from Perth.



LANE POOLE RESERVE

Established in 1983, Lane Poole Reserve is one of many large conservation and recreation areas in the northern jarrah forest.

The reserve covers nearly 55 000 ha and centres on the steep-sided valley of the Murray River.

Tall blackbutt, jarrah and marri forests shade the valley, and on either side of the river gravel roads lead to recreation areas.

Popular camping spots include the site of the old jarrah mill of Nanga, burnt in the Dwellingup fires of 1961 and now sheltered by a grove of tall pines. Nearby Nanga Brook flows down a trout ladder and into the Murray River.

A camp primarily for schoolchildren has been established at Icy Creek near



Where is it?

Near Dwellingup, south of Perth.

Travelling time:

45 minutes from Pinjarra.

Nanga. In addition, the privately-owned Nanga Bush Camp offers accommodation.



SHANNON NATIONAL PARK

Shannon National Park, covers 53 500 ha and the entire basin of the Shannon River. It contains a great range of forest scenery and many different wildlife habitats, including some spectacular flats that open out to the Broke Inlet in the D'Entrecasteaux National Park.

A camping area at the old mill townsite is your base for exploring the reserve.

Set against a backdrop of tall karri forest, the Shannon Dam provides a peaceful setting for fishing, canoeing, and swimming. Several walktrails lead through the forest on the north side of the South-West Highway.

They meander through steep hills and deeply-incised valleys - karri, jarrah and marri forests and dense understorey.

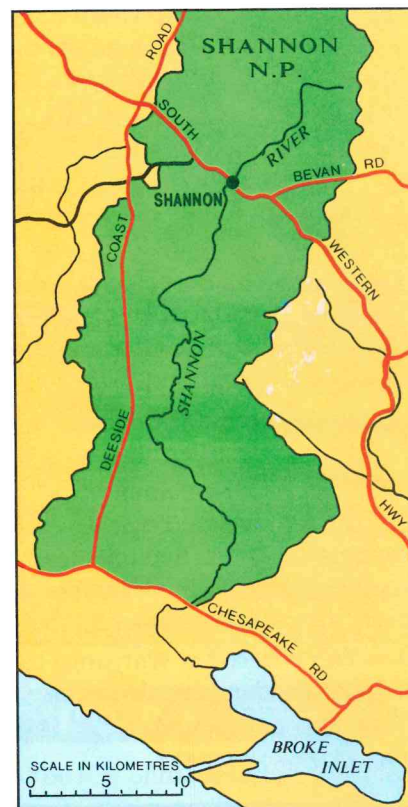


Where is it?

53 km south-east of Manjimup.

Travelling time:

40 minutes from Manjimup.



LEEWIN-NATURALISTE NATIONAL PARK

Leeuwin Naturaliste National Park runs along a narrow coastal strip between Bunker Bay and Augusta. The Park protects about 15 500 ha of scenic coastline, caves, coastal heathlands, jarrah, banksia and melaleuca woodlands and swamps.

Near Busselton to the east lies the Tuart Forest National Park, the best Tuart forest in the State. Next to the Park, the shores of the Vasse and Wonnerup estuary on the coast provide a significant haven for waterbirds.

Boranup Karri Forest gives you the majesty and atmosphere of karri, the world's third tallest tree and Augusta on the south coast brings you more quiet bays, rugged seacliffs and the history of one of W.A.'s earliest settled areas.



Where is it?

Between Busselton and Augusta.

Travelling time:

30 minutes from Busselton.

10 minutes from Augusta.



WEST CAPE HOWE NATIONAL PARK

A spectacular south coastline, which includes the unusual cliffs of West Cape Howe and the granite of Torbay Head fronts the cold waters of the Southern Ocean. Inland lies extensive coastal heath, swamps, lakes and karri forest.



Where is it?

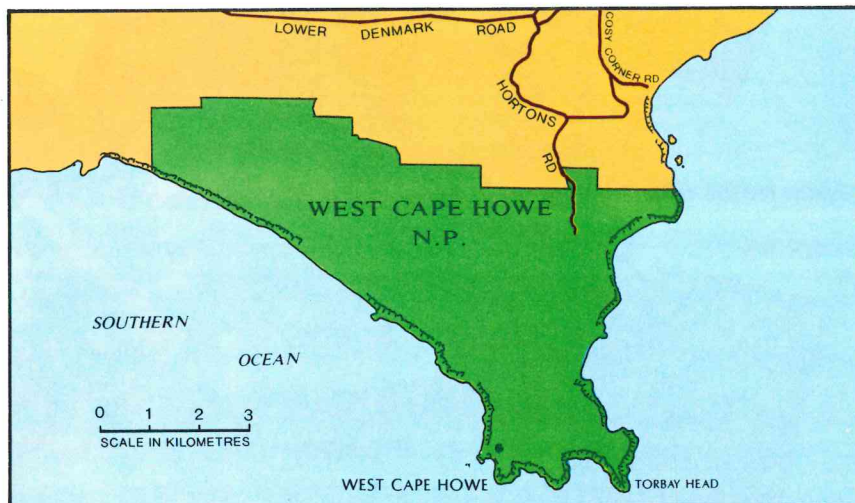
30 km west of Albany.

Travelling time:

20 minutes from Albany.

Apart from the road to Shelley Beach, access is limited to 4WD and walkers.

The Park is popular with fishermen, naturalists, bushwalkers, rock climbers and hang gliders.



Making the most of your Natural Areas

Camping

There are many other magnificent national parks, reserves and even marine parks that can be discovered and explored throughout Western Australia.

Many have camping areas provided whose facilities may range from the basic (cleared tent sites serviced by pit toilets) to the somewhat more sophisticated (huts, showers and flush toilets).

You may choose to camp in "wild" areas where there are no facilities. If you do this, a few simple rules should be observed to ensure the bush is as beautiful when you leave as it was when you arrived.

- Use well worn campsites to minimise the impact on the surrounding bush.

- For preference use portable gas or fuel stoves. If open fires are allowed, use only fallen timber for fuel and ensure you put out the fire completely before you leave the campsite.
- Use sand as a scourer when washing dishes, as detergents harm aquatic life. Washing up should be done at least 50 m from lakes and streams.
- Bury your toilet waste at least 15 cm deep and 100 m from camps and streams.

Bushwalking

One of the best ways of really immersing yourself in our national parks and reserves is taking some time - and taking a walk. You are more likely to see those special things that you'll remember for a long time - thirsty bees drinking from sodden moss, nesting birds,

perhaps even our shy and rarely seen native animals going about their business.

You can walk along short marked trails for half an hour or wander through the magnificent natural beauty for weeks.

If you choose to indulge yourself in this way there are a few things you should remember. So get a 'Code of Ethics' pamphlet from your nearest CALM office before you leave.

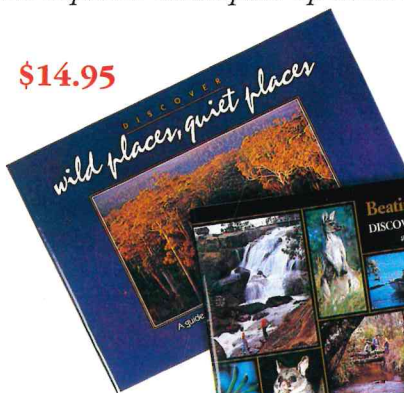


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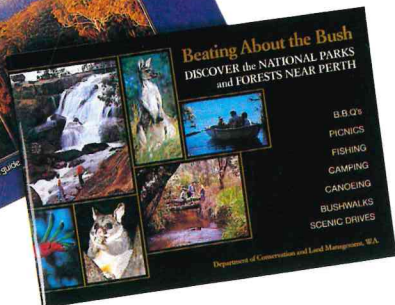
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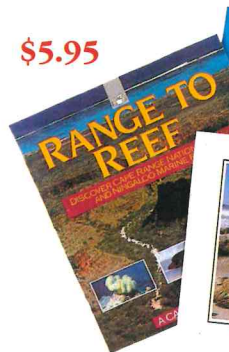
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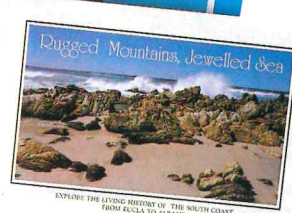
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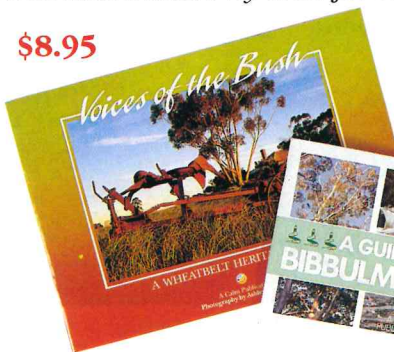
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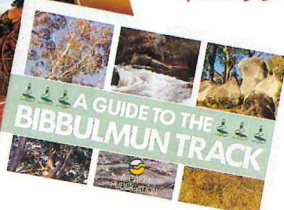
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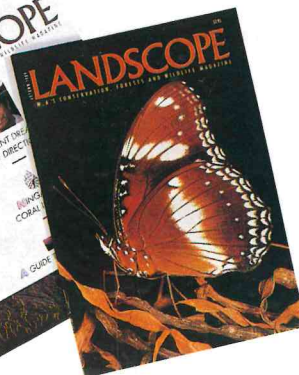
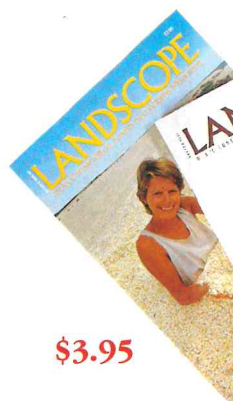


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