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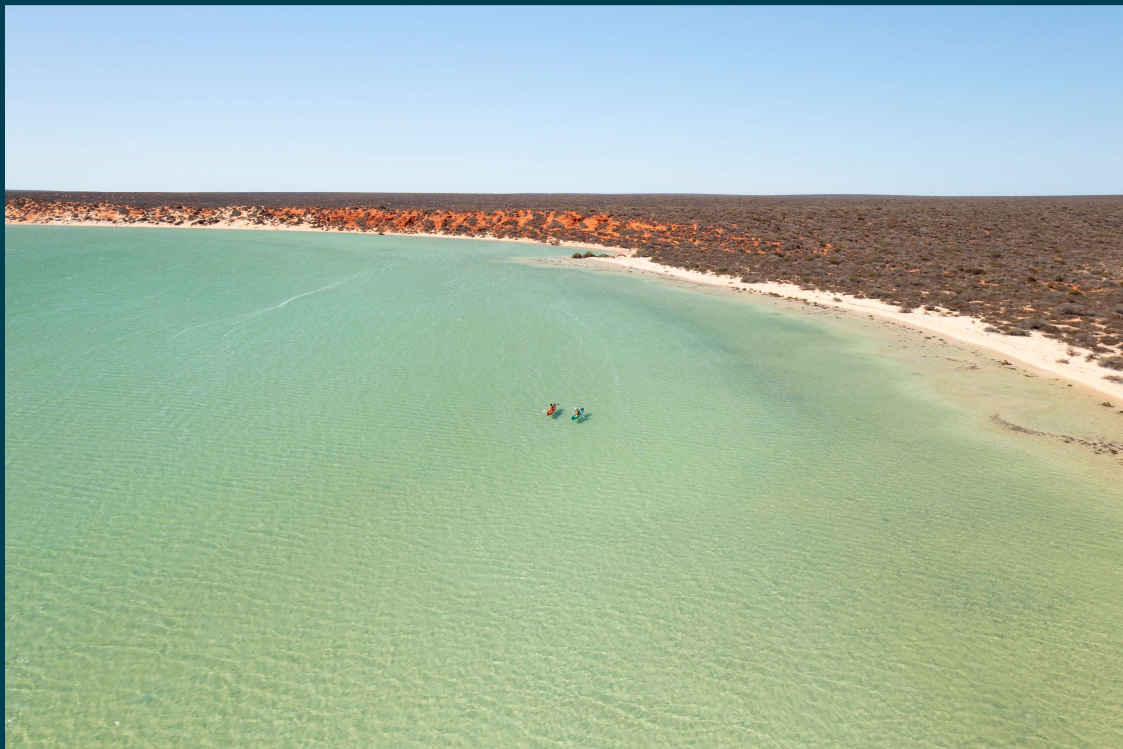
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Explore Parks

Western Australia's best adventures start here.

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Francois Peron National Park

Hello Park Explorers and welcome to the first edition of 2026!

If you love visiting the Coral Coast, we've got some important camping updates and essential safety tips to help make your holiday fun, safe and unforgettable.

- **Park Feature - Houtman Abrolhos Islands National Park**
- **Ningaloo Coast camping trial**
- **We've added more campgrounds to Park Stay WA**
- **Keep an eye out for these green and red BEN signs**
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Park Feature - Houtman Abrolhos Islands National Park

This string of islands off the mid-west coast are home to unique wildlife, infamous stories of shipwrecks and are spectacular for swimming, diving and boating. [Read more](#) about this stunning adventure destination.



Ningaloo Coast camping trial

We're trialling a new booking process for all campsites along the Ningaloo Coast for a three month period. Our goal is to give all campers a fairer chance to experience these incredible WA campsites.

What's changing?

Bookings will open monthly at 10am (AWST), instead of daily at midnight.

When can I book for August 2026?

Bookings for stays between Monday 3 August and Thursday 27 August 2026 will open at 10am (AWST) on 3 February 2026.

Dates for September and October can be found in the [FAQs](#).

Where can I book?

[Park Stay WA](#)

Why are we trialling this?

The Ningaloo Coast is home to some of WA's most stunning and popular campsites, and demand is huge! We're introducing this trial to make the booking process fairer

For the full list of campsites, booking dates for September and October and answers to your questions, please check out the [FAQs](#).



Exploring the Coral Coast? Let us help you find your destination

Kilometre after kilometre of pristine beaches, turquoise waters, gorgeous gorges and encounters with marine life unrivalled anywhere in the world – discover more at [Australia's Coral Coast](#).



Click here to purchase your park pass for easy access to WA's parks

We've added more campgrounds to Park Stay WA

You will need to book before you go for stays from 1 April 2026 for the campgrounds listed below in Francois Peron and Kennedy Range national parks.

- - Gregories
- - South Gregories
- - Bottle Bay
- - Big Lagoon and
- - Herald Bight in [Francois Peron National Park](#) and,
- - Temple Gorge in [Kennedy Range National Park](#).
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Why is booking better?

You can relax knowing that you have a campsite waiting for you when you arrive - create an online account and, self-manage your booking by making changes or cancelling anytime - just make sure you read the [Ts and Cs](#).

Stays up until 1 April remain first in, best dressed!

Bookings can be made at [Park Stay WA](#).



Before you go, check Park Alerts for track, trail, attraction, campground and park updates.

Keep an eye out for these green and red BEN signs

Each [Beach Emergency Number](#) sign has a unique code. In an emergency, dial 000, quote the BEN code and stay near the sign if possible. This helps first responders find the location quickly and efficiently.



Know before you go this summer

Whether you're heading to the beach or the bush, a quick check of these websites can help you stay safe and make the most of your trip.

- For park, trail, attraction and campground alerts alerts.dbca.wa.gov.au.
- Fire Danger Ratings, warnings and incidents emergency.wa.gov.au or download the [Emergency WA app](#).
- Weather and Fire Danger Ratings bom.gov.au/wa/forecasts.
- Park safety information exploreparks.dbca.wa.gov.au/safety



On the horizon.....

Stay tuned for the next edition in March 2026.

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