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**ACCOMMODATION**  
**HYDEN HOTEL/MOTEL**

20 F.F. brick built air-cond. units.  
 Excellent dining room - chef service.

**OTHER FACILITIES**  
**MOBIL ROAD HOUSE**

Petrol and Meals  
 7.00 a.m. - 10.00 p.m.

**Public Swimming Pool.**  
**Drive-In Cinema.**

**RESIDENT SISTER**

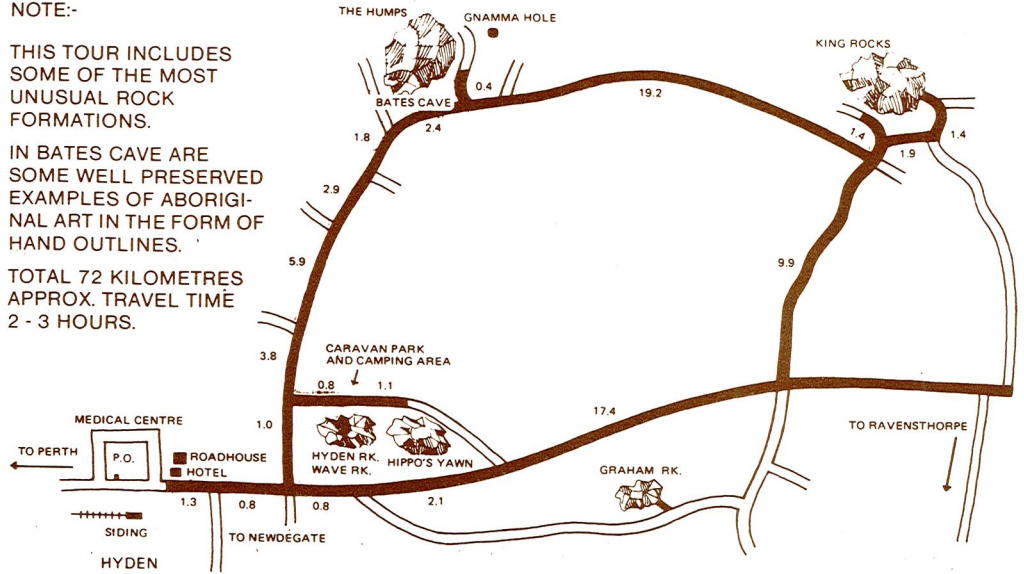
Silver Chain Medical Centre.

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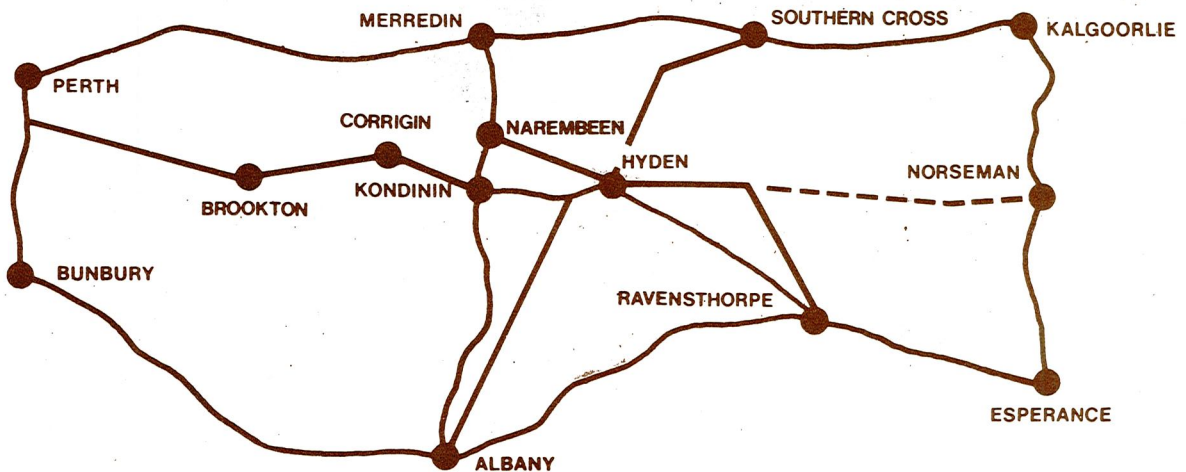
THIS TOUR INCLUDES  
 SOME OF THE MOST  
 UNUSUAL ROCK  
 FORMATIONS.

IN BATES CAVE ARE  
 SOME WELL PRESERVED  
 EXAMPLES OF ABORIGI-  
 NAL ART IN THE FORM OF  
 HAND OUTLINES.

TOTAL 72 KILOMETRES  
 APPROX. TRAVEL TIME  
 2 - 3 HOURS.



**SHORTEST ROUTE TO WAVE ROCK VIA BROOKTON 315 KILOMETRES**

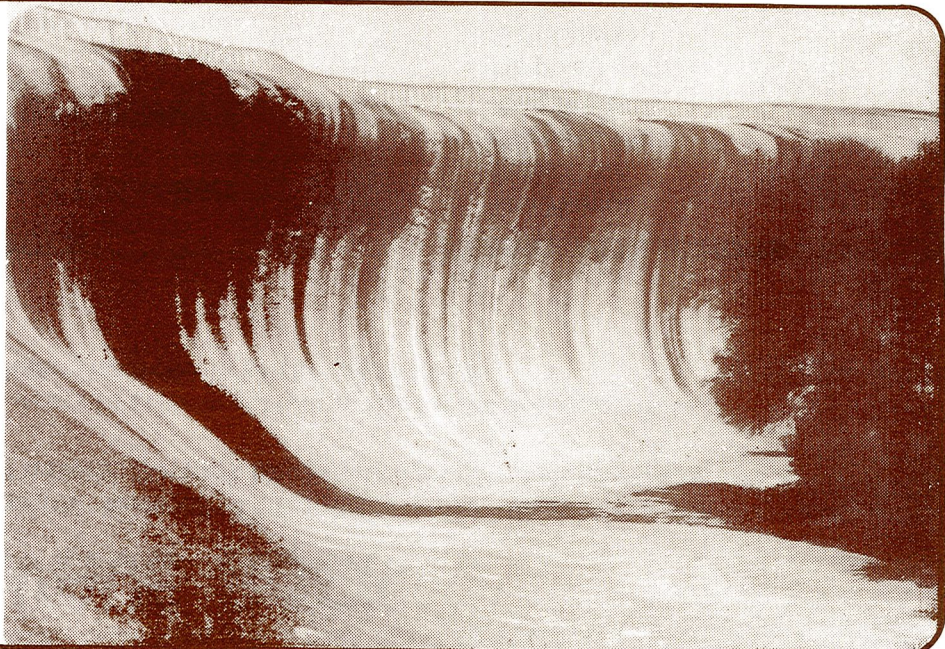


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# WAVE ROCK

**HYDEN**

**WESTERN AUSTRALIA**



# WAVE ROCK

Wave Rock is a spectacular formation of solid granite. Weathered for centuries by the forces of nature, the rock has been carved and shaped to its present unique form.

Situated 349 kilometres east of Perth near Hyden, the formation constitutes one of the most magnificent attractions of the wheat belt.

## FORMATION OF THE ROCK

Wave Rock is part of the north face of Hyden Rock situated 4 kilometres east of Hyden.

The rock is similar to other granites that occur throughout this part of Western Australia. Scientific studies have revealed that they are 2,700 million years old. Wave Rock has been formed by weathering processes and erosion which over long periods of time have created the undercut surface of the rock.

The pronounced vertical bands of colour have been formed by rain washing chemical deposits down the slope.

## THE LEGEND OF BATES CAVE

There once lived a young aboriginal woman who fell in love with a warrior of a forbidden tribe. The child she bore, later known as "MULKA THE TERRIBLE" wore the sign of the devil - crossed eyes.

The child grew up in the ways of the devil, given to brutal killings and cannibalistic feasts. As he reached manhood, he spread terror throughout the south-east region.

He lived throughout these times in a cave now known as Bates Cave, where the imprints of his hands on the wall may still be seen. His mother one day staggered back to the camp of her tribe, mortally wounded by MULKA after she had berated him for eating picanninnies. The tribal elders were told that MULKA who was said to be as tall as a man and a half, had fled his cave and headed south. All the tribes of the district full of hate and revenge set out to track down this dreadful man. They finally caught him near what is now Dumbleyung and murdered him, leaving his body to the ants.

## NEARBY ATTRACTIONS

- The Humps
- Bates Cave
- Gnamma Hole
- King Rocks
- Hippo's Yawn
- Golf Course

## CARAVAN PARK AMENITIES

Modern Caravan Facilities include:

- Camping Area
- Kiosk
- Full-time Caretaker
- Modern Ablution Block
- Laundry Facilities
- Hot Water throughout
- Water & 250 V. Power connected to all Bays.
- Numerous Barbeques on site
- New Self Contained Chalets available

## ATTRACTIONS AT THE PARK

- Wave Rock
- The Breakers
- The Falls
- Aboriginal Hand Paintings
- Farm Tours (in season)
- Bush Walk
- Picnic Area
- Wildlife Park

