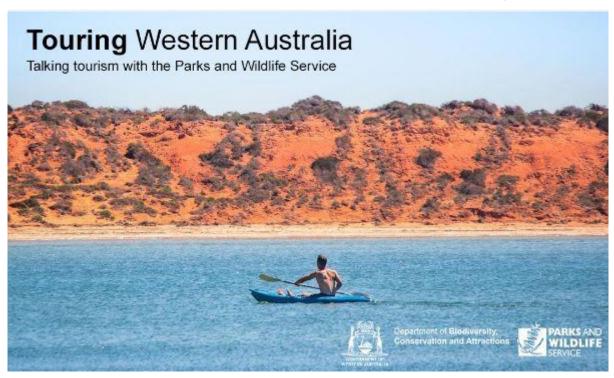
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Summer is here! Discover somewhere new and plan a trip to Francois Peron National Park, just like Cam Bostock. Follow his adventures at @cambostock.

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Welcome to *Touring WA*, where we share some of the latest news from DBCA's Parks and Wildlife Service for visitors to Western Australia's national parks.

In this issue Western Australia has a BRAND NEW campground, find out where you can download FREE geo-referenced maps, check out the sick new MTB trails in Dwellingup and more!

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Lake Kepwari in Collie has opened and this is the place to be this summer.



Imagine setting up camp near the lake, going boating, waterskiing, canoeing, kayaking and fishing all day long and finishing up with a barbecue dinner while watching the sun go down as you stay cool by the lake.



The best part of all, your dog can come too!

There are new parking bays, barbecue shelters, a boat ramp and bar stools to sit and watch the action on the lake.

To find out more and to book your stay, visit the **Explore Parks WA website**.

*Dogs are permitted but must remain on a leash at all times.

Visit Dwellingup for sick mountain bike adventures





Get in the zone on the brand-new Murray Valley Mountain Bike Trails in Dwellingup!

There is 35km of traditional cross-country trails, all-mountain descents into the valley and a range of trails that are suitable for beginners to advanced riders.

And with trail names like Quokkamoly, Boom Boom, Busted Nuts and Snotty Gobble you know you're in for a good ride!

Check out the <u>trails map</u> and follow Dwellingup Adventure Trails on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Instagram</u>.

Discover the Southern Forests of Pemberton

Meander along the Great Forest Trees Drive though the karri trees and immerse yourself in the peace and quiet of the forest on walk trails.

Book your stay at Shannon Campground

Open for summer - Greens Pool and Elephant Rocks!



Good things come to those who wait!

One of WA's favourite swimming and snorkelling spots, Greens Pool and Elephant Rocks in William Bay National Park is OPEN... just in time for summer!

The park has been closed since February for major works including:

- ✓ Road improvements
- ✓ 200 new parking bays including disability bays
- ✓ New fully accessible toilet and change room facilities at Greens Pool, Elephant Rocks and Madfish Bay,
- ✓ Picnic tables
- ✓ Bike racks

All that is missing is **YOU**!

For more info visit the **Explore Parks WA website**.

Take a self-drive, short break - download your drive itinerary for Albany to Walpole here.

Free park maps!

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Kalbarri national parks.

How does it work?

The Avenza Maps app uses your device's built-in GPS to locate you even when you are out of network range and have no internet connection.

The blue dot follows you wherever you go so you always know where you are on the map. Zoom in and out, navigate from place to place, mark points of interest and easily attach photos exactly where they were taken.



To find out more and download the app visit the **Explore Parks WA website**.

Don't forget to tag @exploreparkswa and share your adventure with us!

Stay safe this summer - look out for these signs

Beach Emergency Number (BEN) signs can be found at some beach access points.

You can guide emergency services to a specific location using the Beach Emergency Number on the sign.

Download the <u>free Emergency+ app</u> before your visit which can be used to call for assistance in the event of an emergency. If there is no mobile phone coverage you WILL NOT be able to call 000 but the app will provide you with GPS location details.



To find out more visit the **Shark Smart website**.

Access to Monkey Mia's dolphins



Get up close to Monkey Mia's wild bottlenose dolphins that visit the shore every morning. There is designated parking, unisex accessible toilets and sealed paths throughout the site.

The beach is accessible from a ramp and you can borrow a beach wheelchair free from the visitor centre. For more information contact Monkey Mia Visitor Centre on (08) 9948 1366.

There are so many places to visit now that more parks have been designed to be accessible.

To find out more read the Access for All booklet.

The rock lobsters are running



There's excitement in the air (and water!) at Marmion and Two Rocks marine parks with the coming whites' run – a mass migration of rock lobsters sporting their new pale shells after moulting.

If you're planning on heading out to experience this natural event download the Marine Parks WA app to find out what amazing marine life you might find in the marine parks along the WA coast.

To find out more and download the app visit the **Explore Parks WA website**.

Stay Safe WA

Since Saturday 5 December, contact registration has been required for all cave tours, including self-guided and group tours, at Yanchep and Leeuwin-Naturaliste national parks.



To find out more and download the free SafeWA app visit <u>WA.GOV.AU</u> website.

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