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Image: Coalseam Conservation Park | Credit: Tourism WA

#### Hidden Corners photo comp

In WA's national parks and reserves there are hidden corners to find, secret places to explore, unique plants and animals to spot, and always more to discover.

We want to see your favourite hidden corners of WA parks. The Instagram-able spots that are worthy of the spotlight!

Entries are coming in so if you want to take part in this competition, grab a camera and get snapping. If your photo is judged the best of the entries, you'll win a Spring into Parks Ultimate Park Pack.

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### New Smart Park Maps



Francois Peron National Park | Credit: Susan Pedersen

Francois Peron National Park is the most recent inclusion the WA Parks Foundation's Smart Park Maps series.

The series, sponsored by BHP, is delivered by the WA Parks Foundation in partnership with the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions.

Smart Park Maps make it easier to navigate Western Australia's most popular parks when preparing for a visit and when in areas where there is no mobile reception. Both the app and the maps are free to download and, providing the maps are downloaded while there is a network connection, they can be used in real-time in the parks without a network connection and without roaming charges.

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### **Spring into Parks**



#### Walyunga cultural insights

In another of our Spring into Parks events, participants in a guided tour at Walyunga National Park, had an opportunity to hear about some aspects of Aboriginal way of life in the area before European settlement.

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#### **Touring Kalbarri National Park**

A family event to celebrate the recent opening of the Kalbarri Skywalk was one of the signature events of our Spring into Parks program in October.

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#### **Expert DBCA team frees whale calf**



Footage of the Whale Calf Disentanglement | Credit: Parks and Wildlife Service

A humpback whale calf disentanglement was accomplished by a Parks and Wildlife Service specialist team in the Ngari Capes Marine Park near Busselton.

DBCA staff at the Busselton office were contacted by a local fisher who had spotted a humpback calf entangled in ropes and floats. The calf was approximately five nautical miles offshore from Forrest Beach and tethered to the seafloor.

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# Marine diversity of Ngari Capes



Ngari Capes Marine Park | Credit: DBCA

The Ngari Capes Marine Park includes most of the southern half of Geographe Bay and continues around Cape Naturaliste and Cape Leeuwin to Flinders Bay near Augusta.

This area of incredible marine diversity has granite and limestone reefs, large seagrass meadows and a wide range of marine animals, including migratory species such as southern right whales and humpbacks, herring and salmon. (Ngari is a Noongar word for salmon).

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#### Captain Jack and Percy

27/11/2020



Captain Jack and Perch | Credit: Kalgan Queen Scenic Cruises

Written by David de Vos, Park Ambassador.

A pelican that dances on cue! A pelican pirouetting in the water, no doubt en pointe! A pelican called Percy, even though she's a girl. You will want to see this! So head east out of Albany town to Emu Point looking for a boat called Kalgan Queen.

She's easy to find; more colourful than everything else in the marina, with two flags at her stern – the Australian Red Ensign, and for no real reason other than it looks great, the Murray River flag!

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# Nominations invited for 2021 tourism awards

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2019 Perth Airport WA Tourism Awards Gala Dinner | Credit: Tourism Council of WA

If you would like to see someone in your team or network acknowledged for their outstanding contribution to the tourism industry, now is the time to put them forward for an award.

Nominations for the individual awards in the prestigious 2021 Perth Airport WA Tourism Awards are invited.

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