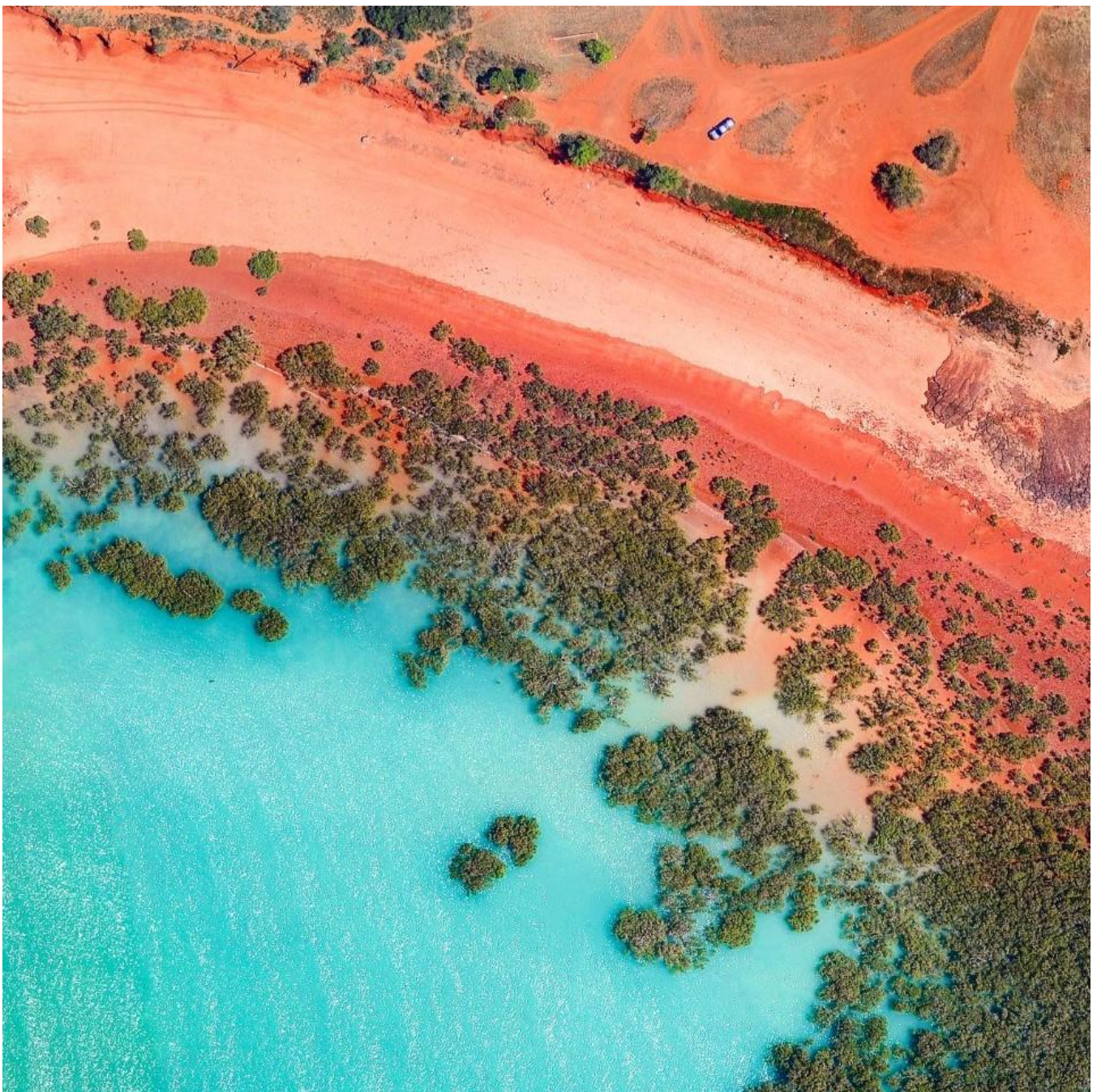


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📷: Roebuck Marine Park by @DOverview (Twitter)

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 Peter Nicholas | DBCA

The WA Parks Foundation applauds the official creation of the Houtman Abrolhos Islands National Park as an historic step in the interests of protecting and conserving the biodiversity, heritage and landscape values of this near pristine archipelago on the Coral Coast.

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[Gardening Australia goes to the Goldfields](#)



: Karkurla Bushland Park | Australia's Golden Outback

Kalgoorlie-Boulder's native flora and the landcare and conservation initiatives of the local community received national attention recently as the subject of an item on the ABC's Gardening Australia.

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: WA Park Ambassadors Professor Ross Dowling AM and Kim Eckert OAM

The WA Parks Foundation congratulates two of its Ambassadors recognised in this year's Queen's Birthday Honours.

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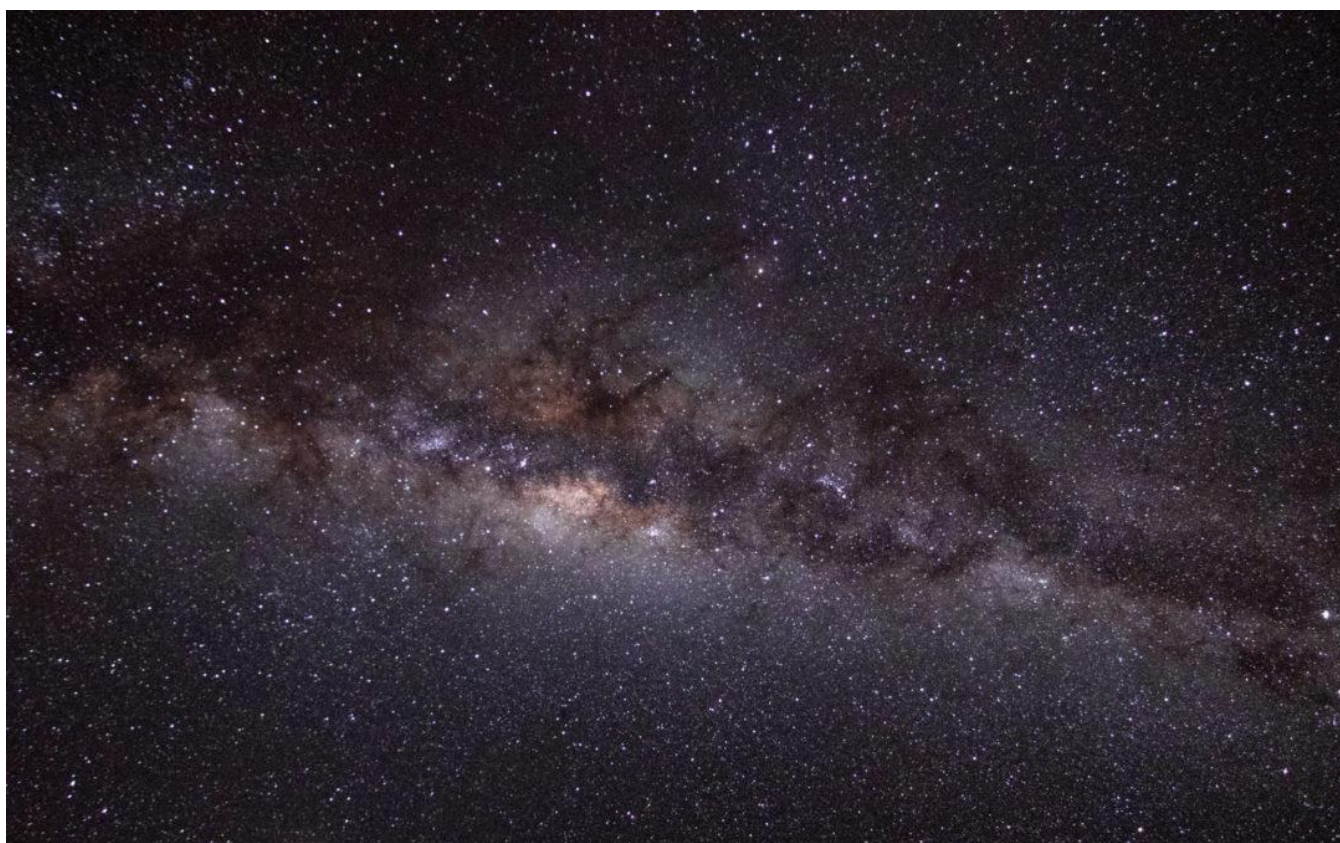


 *Danggu Geike Gorge tour boat, Casey Ross*

Family connections to country, resilience and reconciliation for the traditional owners of Danggu Geike Gorge were themes of an event held by the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions for NAIDOC week.

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Astrotourism has been in the spotlight recently courtesy of our national broadcaster. This time the program was Landline.

The Landline episode featured the work of Astrotourism WA Founder, Carol Redford and the shires she is working with to develop an astrotourism industry in the mid-West and Wheatbelt.

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 *Boogardie orbicular granite via Wikipedia*

Mount Magnet is home to clear night skies, unique rocks and gems. The area's vibrant local community is currently putting together plans for the three-day 2019 Astro Rocks Fest (20- 22 September).

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 : Phillipa Nikulinsky: Eucalyptus Sweedmaniana

The current exhibition of works by Perth-based, internationally recognised botanical and wildlife artist, Phillipa Nikulinsky AM at the Wilson Gallery, UWA closes on 17 August.

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 Stricken Manta Ray with Jake Wilton

Incredible imagery of the rescue of a giant manta ray at Ningaloo in Western Australia from the torment of embedded fishhooks has attracted more than five million internet viewers worldwide.

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