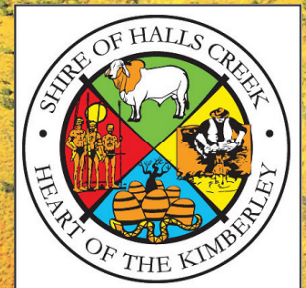
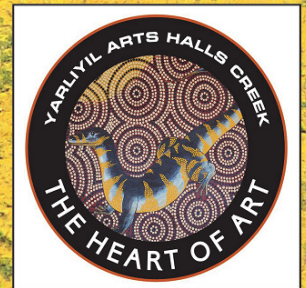
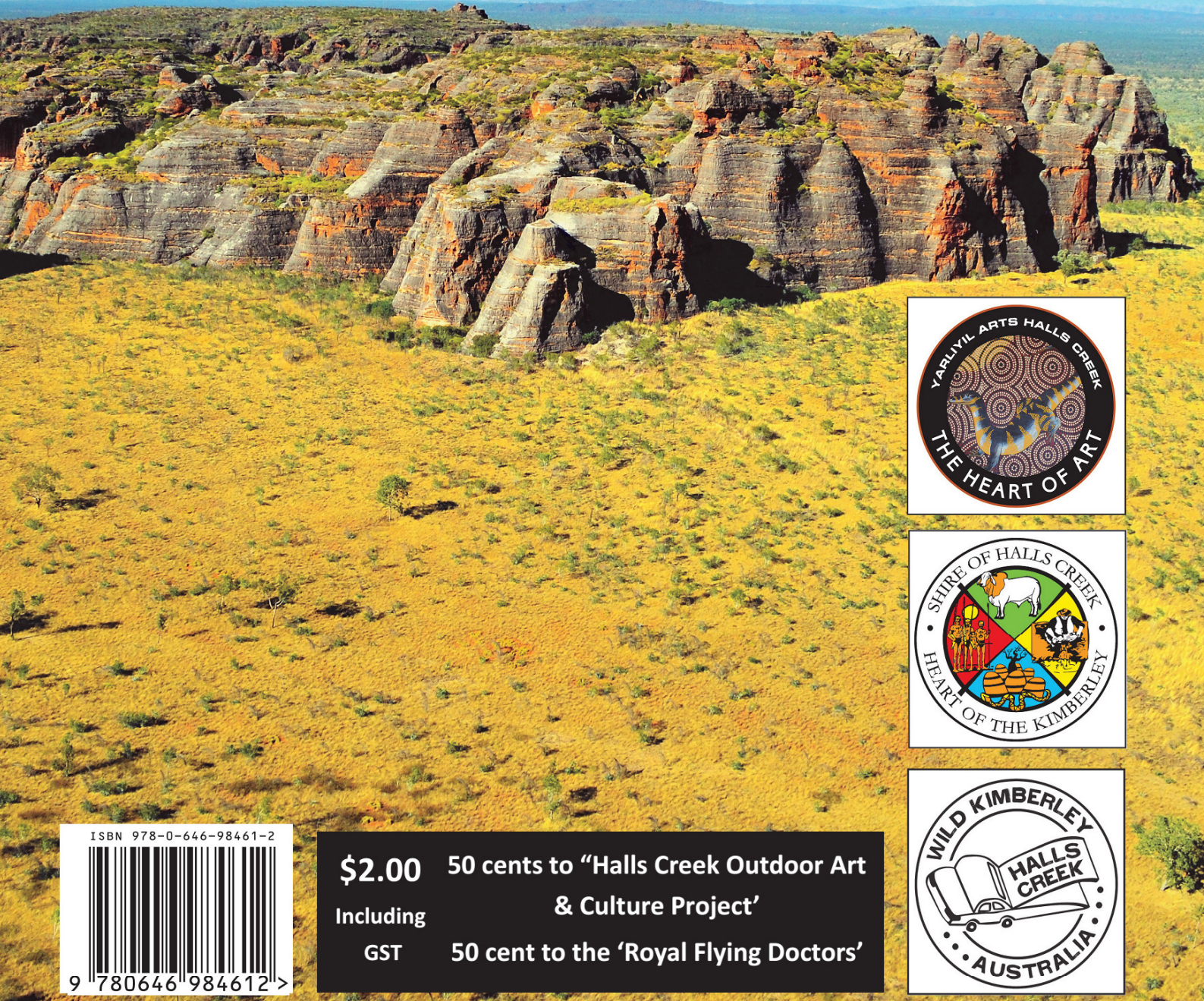


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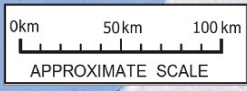


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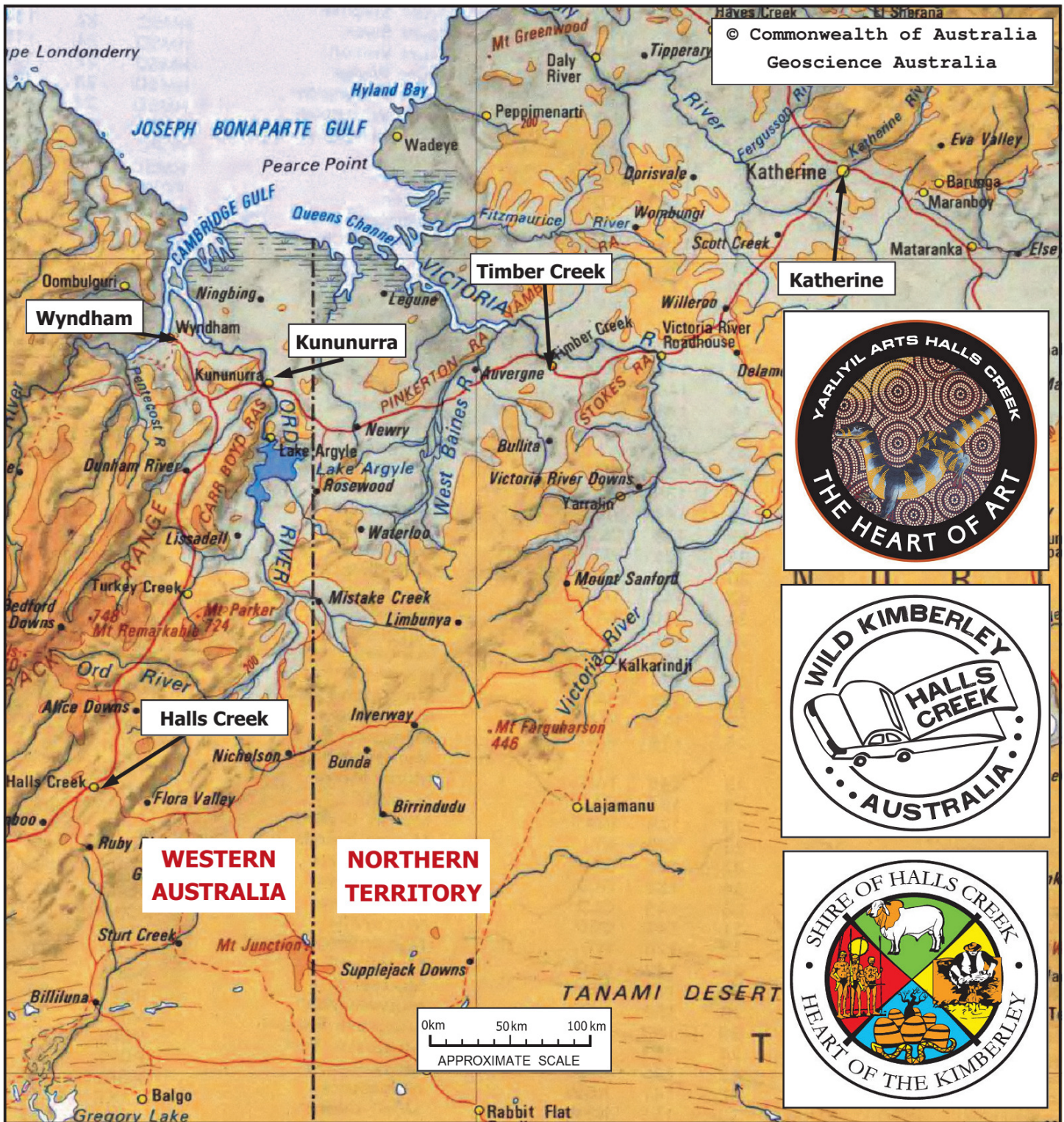
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HALLS CREEK

The friendly town of Halls Creek is not only home to a formidable public collection of outdoor art which includes painted bonnets, painted bins and reproductions of local artworks and information plaques. It is also the home of 'THE WORLDS ONLY - CAR BONNET POST BOX', spectacular scenery, strong Aboriginal Culture, FREE Public WiFi and a rich Aboriginal, pastoral and gold history. By far one of the most interesting towns you are ever likely to visit, an adventure to the 'Wild Kimberley' just wouldn't be complete without spending some time in and around Halls Creek.

Sit in the Shire Park and catch up on contact with your friends and family by utilising the FREE WiFi. Don't miss the opportunity to call into the Halls Creek Visitor Centre to get hold of some unique merchandise which include 'Bonnet Postcards' that can be sent with a 'Stamp of Authenticity' through 'THE WORLDS ONLY - CAR

BONNET POST BOX' which you will find at the visitor centre. You should also make sure you visit Yarliyil Art Centre to take your own memorable piece of this remarkable little town home with you.

If you are looking for some tasty food while visiting Halls Creek drop into 'The Café - Mungarri in the Park', 'The Poinciana - Dine in & Take Away' or the 'Fresh Bakery House'. Also, make sure you tune into the local radio station '6PRK on 98.1 FM' to hear locals playing some great music and to find out what is going on around town. If you are having any troubles with your vehicle or need to fuel up call in and see the crew at 'Baz Industries - Halls Creek Toyota' on Duncan Road and if you have had this misfortune of cracking or breaking your windscreen give Warren at 'Halls Creek Multi Services' a bell.

Many travellers plan to do some prospecting while in the Kimberley. If you are one of them make sure you follow the 'Seven Golden Rules for Prospecting', visit www.dmp.wa.gov.au/prospectingwa for more information.

While visiting Halls Creek it is also worth heading up to the lookout for a view over town, this is especially nice around dawn and dusk. Head along Roberta Ave past the Police Station and 'Old Trackers Hut' (which is also worth a look) and follow the 'Car Bonnet Signs'. There is an artistic 'Helicopter Memorial' at the Rodeo Grounds on Duncan Road which commemorates the fallen pilots that have passed away in helicopter accidents. There is a painted 'Car Bonnet' at the entry to the Rodeo Ground so you shouldn't miss it. The two bins at the 'Helicopter Memorial' have also been painted with helicopters mustering cattle as a mark of respect for those that have been tragically lost.

Halls Creek has a very strong Aboriginal, pastoral and gold history. Put aside a bit of time to walk around the Shire Park to see the statues of 'Jack Jugarie' and 'Russian Jack' and read the stories on the associated plaques. For more of what this special little town with a 'Heart of Gold' offers call into the visitor centre and ask the staff. If you feel like a swim while in town head to the 'Aquatic Centre' in the middle of the main street.

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This 429 km gravel road between Halls Creek and Kununurra snakes back and forth several times across the Western Australian and Northern Territory border, re-joining the Great Northern Highway to the east of Lake Argyle. It offers spectacular outback scenery. The Duncan can be rough and is subject to flooding. Please check road conditions in advance of travel. A 4 Wheel Drive vehicle is recommended.

Places to visit along the Duncan Road within fifty kilometres of Halls Creek include China Wall, Caroline Pool, Old Stone Hut, Old Halls Creek, Pioneer Cemeteries, Palm Springs and Sawpit Gorge. Further out you can visit Ringer Soak (Kundat Djaru) community, Marella Gorge or camp alongside some gorgeous creeks and rivers.



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- Halls Creek is a **cultural epicentre**, with **6 Art Centres** to visit in the district
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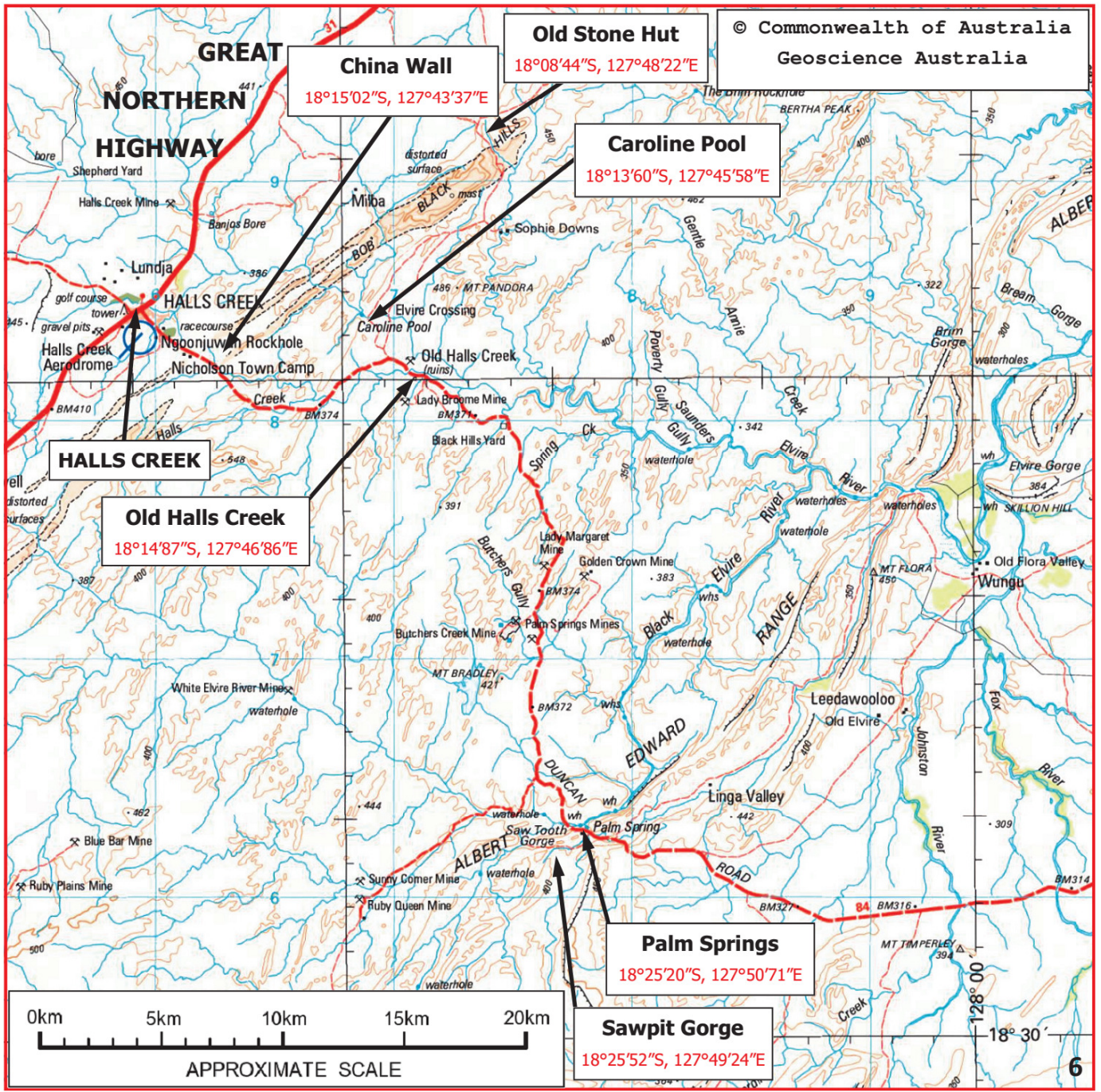
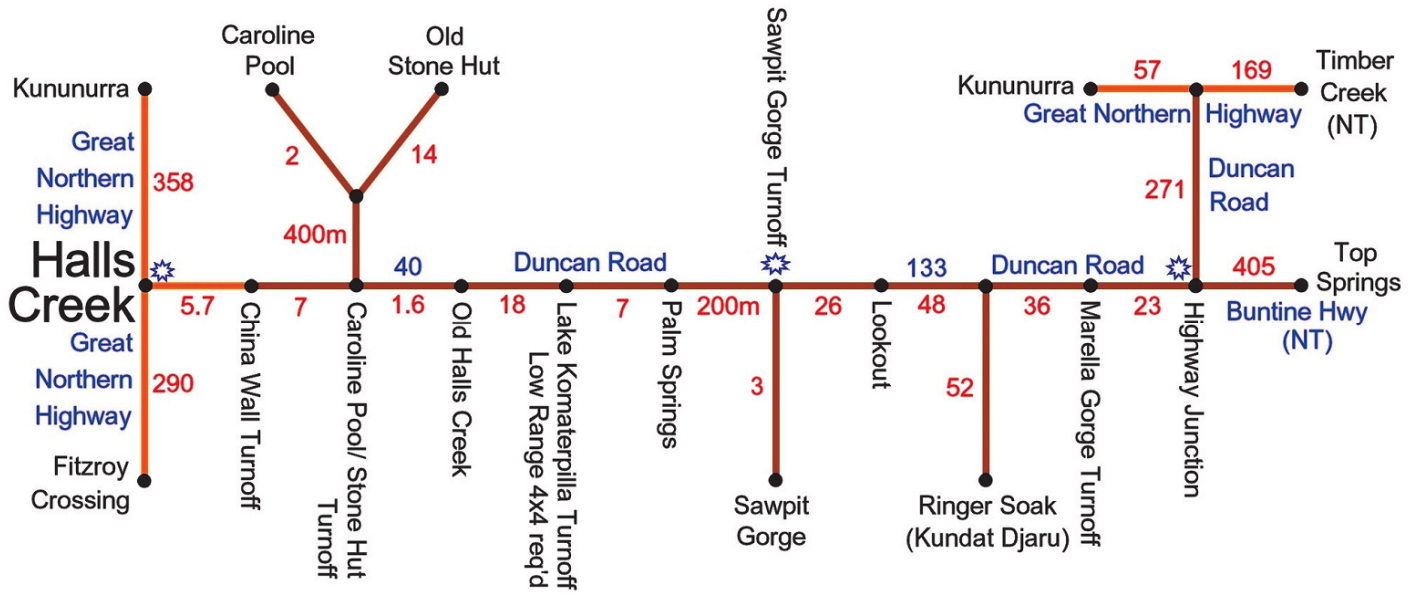
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Photo: Everyone heading along the Duncan should plan some time to check out Palm Springs.



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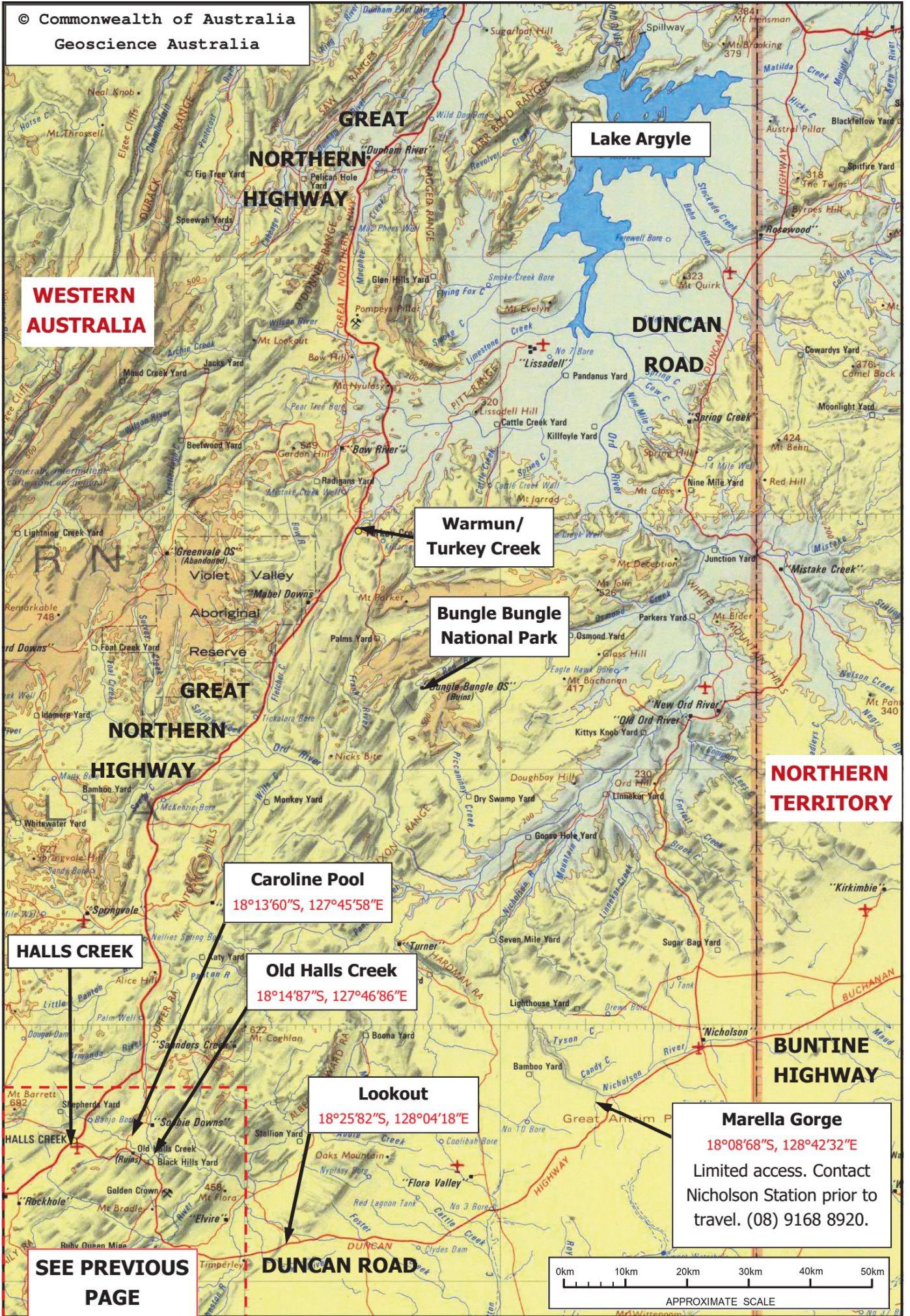
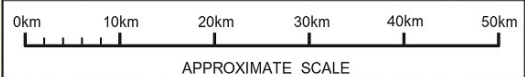
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Old Halls Creek
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Lookout
18°25'82"S, 128°04'18"E

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CHINA WALL - 18°13'60"S, 127°45'58"E Bins

This place acquired its English name because it is somewhat reminiscent of the Great Wall of China. It is known as Burreluba in the Jaru language and as Mulugunjiny in Kija. The family of Chamia Samuel, who lives at Billiluna, are Aboriginal custodians for the story of this place.

China Wall is a natural vein of sub-vertical white quartz rising up to 6 metres above the surrounding country in places. This striking formation transects the country for many kilometres, rising high out of the ground and then disappearing back into the earth again. Scientists believe the wall was formed when the rock surrounding the much harder and resistant quartz was weathered and eroded away. Aboriginal people have a different account of how this formation came about.

China Wall is located 6 km from Halls Creek accessed off the Duncan Road. It is important visitors shut gates as the access road is through a pastoral lease.

CAROLINE POOL - 18°13'60"S, 127°45'58"E. 24hr camping only, Bins , Toilets

This is a picnic, swimming and bush walking place set amongst cool shady trees and wide sandy creek banks. Swimming is best following rains when the water level is high. Caroline Pool is known as Wimirri in the Jaru language.

Older residents fondly remember Caroline Pool as the place where families would go on the weekend to swim and play sport on the river sand. It was also an important water source in the days of the early gold rush.

Photos: Halls Creeks China Wall and local Artist Barry Demi with the car bonnet he painted for the entrance gate to China Wall.





PIONEER CEMETERIES

Many of the original pioneers of Old Halls Creek are buried in the Pioneers Cemetery at Old Halls Creek. Other people who have played key roles in the development of the region are buried near Lundja (Red Hill) off the Great Northern Highway. The cemetery in current use is on the outskirts of town and accessed off the Duncan Highway.

OLD STONE HUT - 18°08'44"S, 127°48'22"E. Take road to left at Sophie Downs (7.5km from T/O) 18°11'39"S, 127°48'38"E, gate after 8km (leave it as you find it), track to left after 13.8km 18°08'42"S, 127°48'29"E, 100m in to park. Walk 100m across creek to Old Stone Hut. Slow drive.

At the time of the Halls Creek gold rush the nearest port for supplies and the export of gold from Halls Creek was Wyndham. Originally by necessity the horse track from Wyndham to Old Halls Creek closely followed the important watering points. From Wyndham the track wound south through Turkey Creek and Mabel Downs. The Stone Hut on Sophie Downs was the last stop to rest before heading into Old Halls Creek. The ruins of this hut have historic significance.



OLD HALLS CREEK (OLD TOWN)

This is a very significant place. It is the site of the first gold discovery in Western Australia and where the WA gold rushes began. In 1885 Charles Hall found a 28 ounce nugget. Men (very few women) soon streamed into the interior in search of their fortune.

The 'Golden West' had its beginnings in Halls Creek. This is the site of the original gold mining community where prospectors followed the gold up the creeks and gullies from Brockman to Old Halls Creek.

The Halls Creek gold rush might have been short lived but it nevertheless left an important legacy. The gold strike contributed to the establishment of the Ports of Derby and Wyndham as well as the town of Halls Creek as men and mining equipment were brought in from places as far away as California.

During the rush Old Halls Creek was a town of makeshift tents. After the gold was all but exhausted Halls Creek subsequently developed into a small centre for commerce and trade. At its peak the town boasted a Post Office, Hospital, Police Station, two stores and a hotel.

Men who came to the fledgling WA colony in search of gold stayed on. Many moved on to more lucrative gold discoveries in places such as Cue, Coolgardie and Kalgoorlie and significantly contributed to the development of Western Australia. In 1885 when gold was discovered at Halls Creek the total population of the colony was just 30,000. By 1900 there were 239,000 people in Western Australia.

Old Halls Creek has an Aboriginal history. Right up until the early 1950's Aboriginal people from outlying areas were brought into the Police Station here in chains. The area around Old Halls Creek is known as Jungulu in the Jaru language. There was an Aboriginal camp across the creek and Aboriginal people traded what gold they could find to eke out a living. After the gold ran out they sold dingo scalps to the Halls Creek Roads Board. They also had goats for milk.

In the 1950's the town of Halls Creek was relocated 14 kilometres away and Old Halls Creek became a virtual ghost town. The foundations of the old mine-shaft can still be seen and visitors can still see the ruins and remnants of some of the old buildings.

The cemetery at Old Halls Creek contains the graves of many Kimberley pioneers. Most of the original mud slab buildings have eroded away to their foundations, although substantial sections of the old post office still remain. Old Halls Creek is located in a picturesque setting in undulating stony country along a shady creek. It is accessed along the Duncan Road.

Photos, top to bottom: Caroline Pool after the wet season, a directional painted car bonnet as you drive to 'Old Stone Hut' and a painted car bonnet to let you know you have arrived. The Pioneer Cemetery and monuments at 'Old Halls Creek'.



SAWPIT GORGE

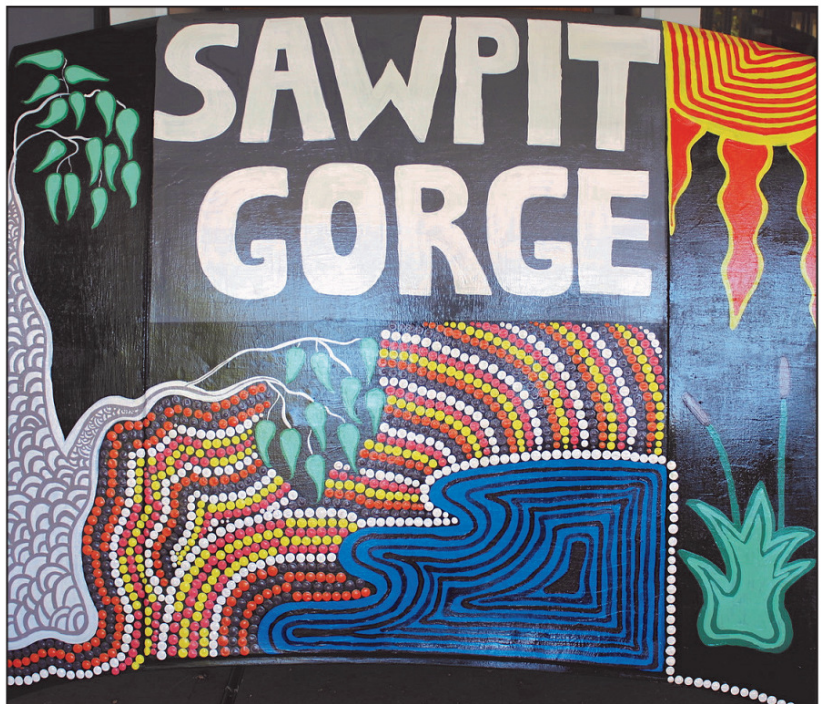
18°25'52"S, 127°49'24"E. 3.8km along track off the Duncan Road (T/O at 18° 25'30"S, 127°50'80"E). 24hr camping only, Bins, Toilets

The gorge is located on the Black Elvire River where flood waters have cut through a range. There is a towering rock wall on one side and sandy shaded banks. This is one of the more secluded and beautiful locations in the Shire of Halls Creek. It is also a great place for a bushwalk with plenty of wildlife and spectacular scenery.

This is a popular swimming place. Fresh water crocodiles can be seen in this gorge. Sawpit is located 52 km from Halls Creek a few kilometres off the Duncan Road.

Photo, this page: 2 painted Sawpit Gorge car bonnets at and the beautiful scenery at the gorge.

Photos, opposite page: Spectacular Palm Springs and some of the many car relics along Duncan Road.





PALM SPRINGS - 18°25'20"S, 127°50'71"E. 24hr camping only, Bins, Toilets

Palm Springs is known as Lugangarna in Jaru language. This is a palm fringed, spring fed, permanent freshwater pool on the Black Elvire River that has long been a refreshing stop for travellers along the dusty Duncan Highway. It is a famed 'oasis in the desert'. There are striking rock wall reflections and abundant local wildlife dependent on this water source.

Afghan teamsters are thought to have planted the original date palms found at Palm Springs. They played a prominent role in the early days of Halls Creek. Afghan man Sam Hazlett and his Aboriginal wife Duddru lived at Palm Springs for many years. Sam used the springs for drinking water and to grow vegetables, which he sold in Halls Creek.

An old Aboriginal man called Wellman lived at Palm Springs and worked in the gardens with Sam. He was known as 'Wellman' because he was the man who got the water from the well. Wellman Road in the Garden Area of Halls Creek is named in his honour.

Sam Hazlett maintained this valuable water resource by regularly cleaning out the reeds and overgrowth. He passed away in the 1980's and Palm Springs has been unoccupied since that time. Many people in Halls Creek stress the importance of maintaining and protecting the natural and cultural values of this place. Palm Springs is located 45 km from Halls Creek along the Duncan Highway. Fresh water crocodiles have been seen here.





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PURNULULU NATIONAL PARK (BUNGLE BUNGLE)

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The Bungle Bungle Range is renowned for its striking sandstone domes, striped with orange and grey bands. Purnululu is the name given to the sandstone area by Aboriginal people and covers an area of almost 240,000 hectares. The Bungle Bungle Range has been a tourist destination since 1983 and was granted World Heritage status in 2003.

Access

Purnululu will open in early April until early December depending on weather conditions. The park may also be temporarily closed due to fires or unseasonal rain. Access is restricted to **4WD access only** and only SINGLE AXLE off road or heavy duty trailers (caravans and other towable units are not permitted in the park). 2WD vehicles and dual axle trailers caravans and other towable units ARE NOT permitted into the park and will be asked to leave. **Visitors must register at the DPaW Visitors Centre on arrival.**

Geology

The Bungle Bungle Range are an estimated 360 million years old, rise over 200 meters high, formed during the Devonian age, carved over 20 million years through erosional forces, the grey banding is formed by cyanobacteria, the orange banding is the result of oxidised iron compounds within the layers.

Photo: The Bungles are a must see while in the 'Wild Kimberley'. Booking a scenic flight with Kingfisher Tours is a magic experience. Contact Halls Creek Tourism or Kingfisher Tours directly.

Facilities

There are two DPaW campsites with the basic amenities such as bush toilets, water and firewood. Visitors are advised to boil water prior to drinking. Campsites are non-powered. Campground bookings can be made through Halls Creek Travel & Tourism (booking fee applies) or online through – www.dpaw.wa.gov.au and click on 'Park Stay'. All visitors must register at the DPaW Visitors Centre on arrival to the park. All tours can be booked through the experts at Halls Creek Tourism.

Bungle Bungle Walks

Kungkalanayi Lookout

Location: Three kilometres along the track for the Visitors Centre.

Distance & Grade: 500 meters return. Allow 5 to 20 minutes. Class 3, gradual climb with firm surface.

What will you see: Panoramic 360-degree views of spinifex covered ridges flowing to the majestic cliffs of the western escarpment of the Bungle Bungle massif and the 500 million year old limestone ridge. At sunset these blaze in brilliant reds and yellows against a backdrop of purple hues from the evening sky.

Cathedral Gorge

Location: Begin at Piccaninny Creek car park, 27km south of the Visitors Centre.

Distance & Grade: Two kilometres return. Allow more than one hour. Class 4 walk, with some short slopes and narrow ledges to negotiate.

What will you see: Trail follows Piccaninny Creek, passing through the striped sandstone beehives. The trail continues up the potholed creek bed, showing off the looming cliffs, evidence of waterfalls that cascade down steep rock faces during the wet season, finally opening into a huge natural amphitheatre.

Domes

Location: Begin at Piccaninny Creek car park, 27km south of the Visitors Centre.

Distance & Grade: One kilometre circuit trail. Allow 10 to 30 minutes. Class 3, relatively flat walking surface mostly along firm creek beds.

What will you see: The trail winds around sandstone domes that rise majestically from the spinifex-covered sand plains.

Echidna Chasm

Location: Begin at Echidna Chasm car park, 20 kilometres north of the Visitors Centre.

Distance & Grade: Two kilometre return. Allow 45 minutes to one hour. Class 4 walk, along riverbed with a challenging short climb at the end.

What will you see: A spectacular long narrow chasm, with striking colour variations dependant on the angle of the sun beaming into the chasm, with livistona palms waving from the 200-meter high ridges above. Popular for photography.

Osmond Lookout

Location: Begin at Echidna Chasm car park, 20 kilometres north of the Visitors Centre.

Distance & Grade: 500 meters return. Allow 15 minutes. Class 3, gradual climb.

What will you see: Take in the grandeur of the Osmond Range and the sweep of Red Rock Creek as it drains into Osmond Creek.

Homestead Valley

Location: Begin at Bloodwoods car park, 15 kilometres north of the Visitors Centre.

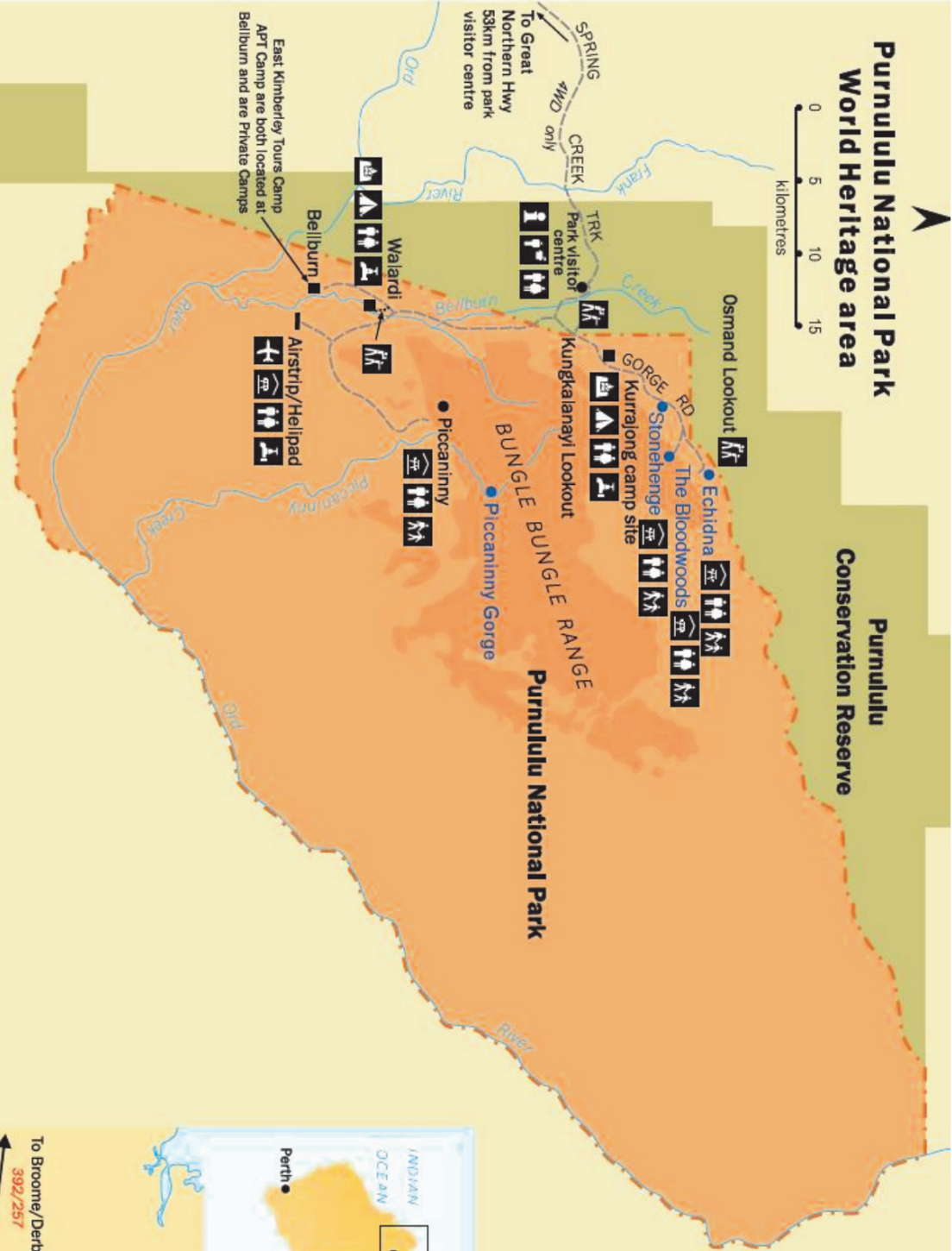
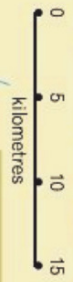
Distance & Grade: 4.4 kilometre return. Allow two hours. Class 4 trail, with moderate slopes.

What you will see: This trail cuts into the range into Homestead Valley, finishing in a lookout with amazing views back out the valley and showing off the amazing height of the cliffs.

A number of new walks opened in 2014/2015. Pick up your copy of the 'Purnululu National Park - Information and walk trail guide' at Halls Creek Tourism or the DPaW Visitor Centre on arrival to the park for more information.



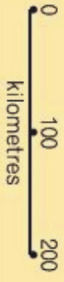
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Purnululu National Park

- Legend**
- Bungle Bungle Range
 - National park
 - Conservation reserve
 - World Heritage boundary
 - 4x4 track
 - Walk
 - Airstrip
 - Barbecue (wood)
 - Camping (bush)
 - Information
 - Ranger
 - Scenic vistas
 - Sheltered picnic area
 - Toilets
 - Walk trail
 - Water collection point





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 incorporating Halls Creek Visitor Centre
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 Email: tourism@hcshire.wa.gov.au
 Web: www.hallscreektourism.com.au

Halls Creek

HALLS CREEK

Tanami

Road

GREAT

NORTHERN

HIGHWAY



Wolfe Creek Crater

Billiluna

19°33'31"S, 127°39'53"E

Lake Stretch (Nyarna)

19°40'61"S, 127°35'42"E

Paruku IPA Access and Permits

Permits available through:

- www.parukuipa.org.au

Canning Stock Route Access and Permits

2 permits required:

- <http://permits.canningstockroute.net.au/permit/conditions.aspx>
- http://www.anfwdc.asn.au/canning_stock_route.php

Permit/s required within red dotted area, see above

Canning
Stock Route

No Access
Road

No Access
Road

Yunpu Camp Site

20°13'15"S, 127°16'53"E

Handover Camp Site

20°10'92"S, 127°32'18"E

Mulan

20°06'14"S, 127°35'69"E

Canning

Stock Route

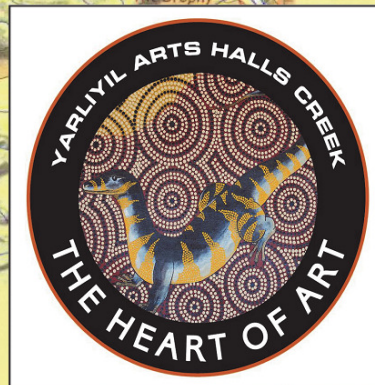
GREAT

TANAMI ROAD AND CANNING STOCK ROUTE

Art centres, four wheel driving, magnificent desert sunsets, spectacular wetlands and remarkable birdlife is just some of what you can expect



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Tanami Road

No Access

Balgo

20°08'38"S, 127°59'14"E

**WESTERN
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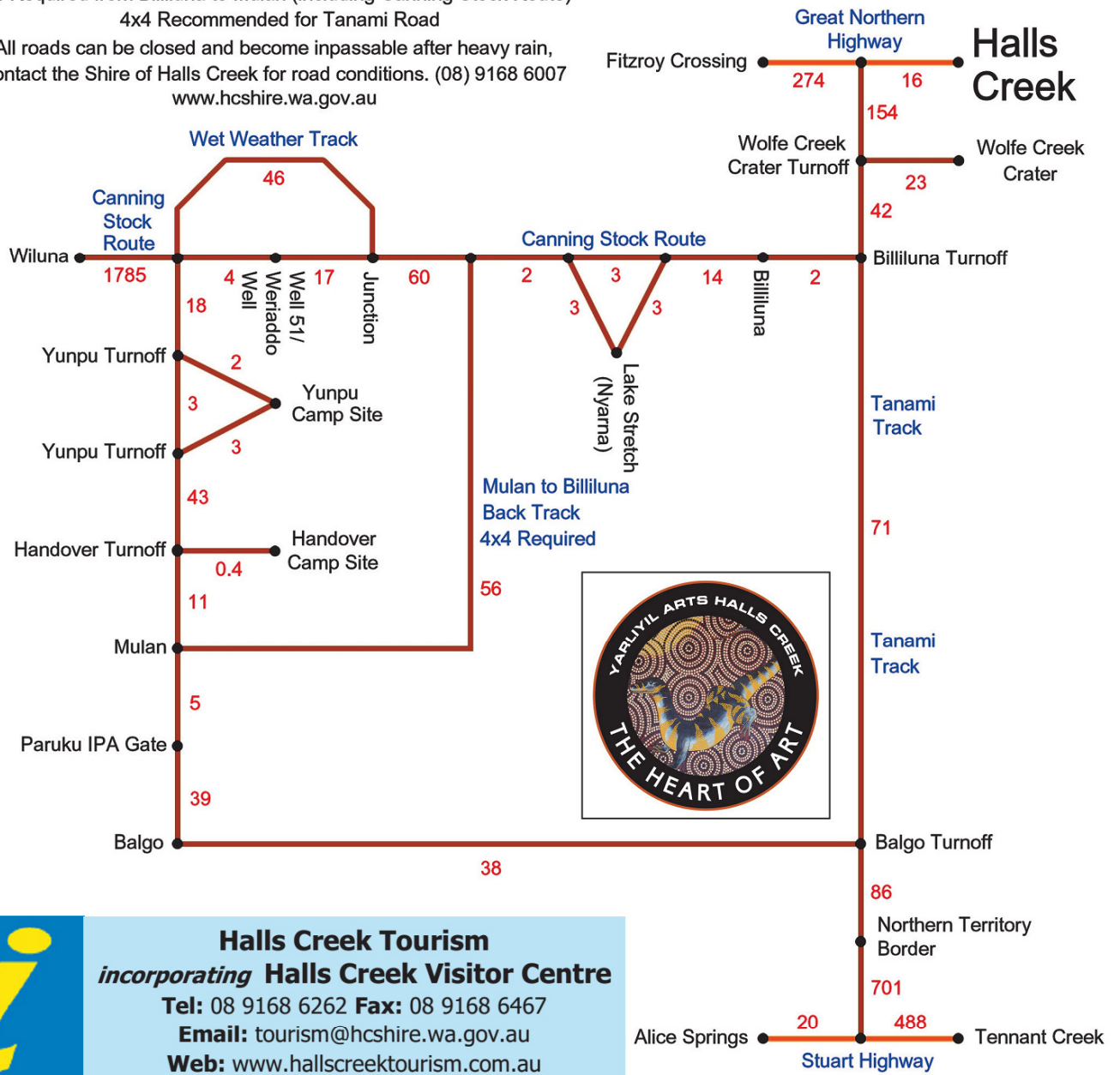
**NORTHERN
TERRITORY**

0km 25km 50km

APPROXIMATE SCALE

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4x4 Required from Billiluna to Mulan (including Canning Stock Route)
 4x4 Recommended for Tanami Road
 All roads can be closed and become impassable after heavy rain,
 Contact the Shire of Halls Creek for road conditions. (08) 9168 6007
 www.hcshire.wa.gov.au



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Photos, this page: note left at the crater by Wolfe Creek movie fans, view from the crater back to the car park and the crater turnoff on the Tanami Road.





WOLFE CREEK CRATER

This is the second largest meteorite crater on Earth with a diameter of 850 - 950 metres. The ridge of the crater stands about 35 metres above the surrounding flat sand plain. The outer edges slope at a gradual 15 degrees, but the much steeper inner walls fall away at about a 50 degree angle.

The crater is known as Janyil in Jaru and as Karntimarlarl in Walmajarri. Traditional Owners believe this circular crater was formed when a giant mythological snake raised its head from the ground back long ago at the time of creation. Aboriginal people understand many natural features, such as rivers and creeks, are the tracks left by giant ancestral snakes that once weaved their way across the desert. Scientists believe Wolfe Creek was formed by the impact of a meteorite about 2 million years ago.

Geologists F Reeves and D Hart were the first non-Aboriginal people to come across this striking natural feature while conducting an aerial survey of the Canning Basin in 1947. In 1969 Wolf Creek Crater was gazetted as a C class reserve. In 1976 protection of the area was upgraded to the status of Class A reserve.

The Crater is located 152 km south of Halls Creek along the Tanami Road in flat and arid country. It is accessed by road along the Tanami Road via an unsealed corrugated road through Carranya Station. Scenic flights over the crater can be booked in Halls Creek.

Access: Wolfe Creek Meteorite Crater National Park is situated approximately 152km by road south of Halls Creek along the Tanami Road. When travelling to Wolfe Creek be prepared for unsealed roads. It is always recommended to travel in a 4WD vehicle due to the corrugations. Contact Halls Creek Tourism for up to date road conditions before travelling.

Facilities: There is a DPaW campsite with basic toilets, however you need to be totally self-sufficient for all your supplies. Please note there is no water available.

Photos: an aerial view of Wolfe Creek Crater and a film crew working on the rim of the crater.

CANNING STOCK ROUTE

This is an historic 2000 km long cattle droving route extending from Halls Creek all the way south-west to Wiluna. A system of wells was constructed every 20-30 kilometres along the route. The northern end passes close to Paruku and then follows a section of Sturt Creek.

In the early 1900's the Coolgardie and Kalgoorlie gold rush in the south of the state created a potential lucrative new market for Kimberley beef. The Canning Stock Route was a bold and ambitious attempt to open access to these new and emerging southern beef markets. The route was originally surveyed in 1906 and 1907. At that time East Kimberley cattle were not allowed to travel through the West Kimberley, because the West Kimberley was tick-free and there was a mistaken belief that ticks could only survive in humid conditions. The Stock Route was seen as a strategic answer to the problem of getting cattle to the southern regions without passing through the West Kimberley.

A series of wells were sunk along the route at 20 - 30 kilometre intervals in 1908 - 1910. Many of the wells along the Canning Stock Route were actually original soaks that had long been in use by local Aboriginal people. Canning resorted to the practice of capturing Aboriginal people in the hope that they might lead his party to water.

In 1908 a Western Australian Royal Commission was appointed to inquire into the treatment of Aboriginal people by the Canning party, prompted by allegations by the expedition's cook. Evidence was heard of extreme distress and of serious injuries inflicted on Aboriginal people, including women, who were taken, captured and often deprived of water. The Inquiry also heard allegations of random violence, the use of chains and other cruelties.

In 1910 the first ever mob of cattle were driven down the Canning Stock Route. One member of the party was fatally speared at Well 37. A few less eventful cattle drives did follow. But the route was seldom used once the Port of Wyndham to the north was found to be a safer, cheaper and more convenient option for transporting cattle.

The Canning Stock Route has proved to be far more popular with present day four-wheel drive adventure expeditions. Travellers planning to drive the iconic Canning should notify loved ones of planned travel movements and dates and important contact numbers. Travelling the Canning is a remote wilderness experience. It requires careful planning and ample fuel supply drops arranged well in advance of travel. There are no services on the track. Travel is slow and the journey takes many days.

The communities of Billiluna (Mindibungu), Balgo (Wirrimanu) and Mulan are accessed via the Tanami Road. For more information on these communities see pages 9 and 10.



PARUKU (LAKE GREGORY)

The spectacular wetlands of Paruku lie on the northern edge of the Tanami and Great Sandy deserts. Tjurabalan (Sturt Creek) primarily feeds this extensive lake system. Other creeks feeding into the system are Parnkupirti and Jalywarn.

In August 2001 the High Court of Australia formally recognised the Traditional Owners of this area held native title over the land. The handover ceremony was conducted on the shores of Paruku, symbolising the significance of this place to local Aboriginal people. Traditional owners believe the system was formed when a star fell from the sky into the lake and then transformed itself into a man becoming the very first Traditional Owner of this place.

Paruku boasts an abundant supply of bush tucker including fish, freshwater mussels, goanna, bush turkey, python, frogs and bush tomatoes. Paruku is renowned internationally as a bird watching site. This is a remote area and all visitors should check current road conditions ahead of their visit.

There are three campsites for visitors within the IPA, all offering great views of the lake and spectacular desert sunsets. There are no facilities other than bough shelters providing shade. Visitors must bring their own food, water, cooking equipment, tents, swags and toilet facilities. There is interpretive information about local customs, dreaming stories and history. The camping fee is \$30 per vehicle for the first night and \$10 per vehicle for each additional night.

PARUKU INDIGENOUS PROTECTED AREA (IPA)

Lake Gregory (Paruku), Lake Stretch (Nyarna) and the northern section of the Canning Stock Route are all part of the Paruku IPA and require a permit to camp.

Paruku (ba-roo-goo) is the Walmajarri name for the large saltwater lake within the lake system known as Lake Gregory. It is one of the most remote semi-permanent freshwater wetlands in the world. The area is owned and managed by the Walmajarri people to preserve the cultural and ecological values that make it such a special place.

There are 3 campsites (Lake Stretch (Nyarna), Handover Campsite & Yunpu Campsite) in Paruku IPA. Camping permits can be booked online at www.parukuipa.org.au. Otherwise permits can be purchased at Billiluna Community store or Mulan CEO office` when these two places are open. It is \$30 per car for one night and \$10 for extra nights. A detailed 'Visitor Information Guide' which includes maps and comprehensive information can be printed or purchased when applying for a permit online.

NYARNA (LAKE STRETCH)

This is a large permanent billabong on Sturt Creek located fifteen kilometres from Billiluna, just off the northern end of the Canning Stock Route. This place is associated with the mythological Two Brothers Story. The brothers passed away and transformed into ancestor trees that now watch over and look after Nyarna.

Camping, bird watching and walking are activities that can be undertaken here. Visitors must bring all their own supplies.

Photos, opposite page: Aerial view of Paruku (Lake Gregory, view from the bank of Nyarna (Lake Stretch).

Photo, this page: A gorgeous sunset on the Canning Stock Route.



GREAT NORTHERN HIGHWAY (GNH)

Not just another highway to get you from A to B, the section of the GNH between Kununurra & Fitzroy Crossing is a drive not to be missed.

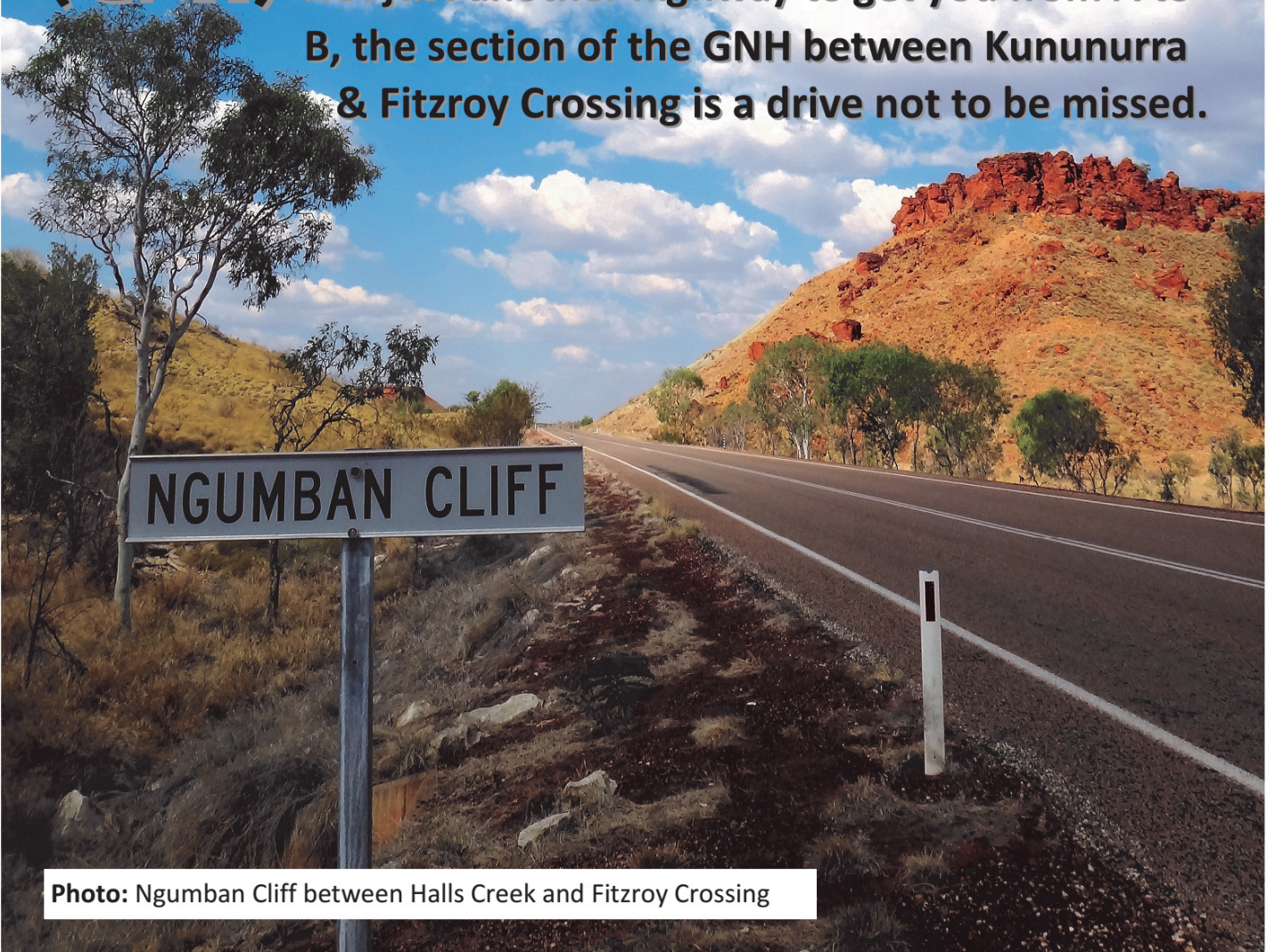


Photo: Ngumban Cliff between Halls Creek and Fitzroy Crossing



Distances via Great Northern Highway

1055	909	659	369	101	Wyndham
1044	906	648	358		Kununurra
686	548	290			Halls Creek
396	258				Fitzroy Crossing
220					Derby
					Broome





Artist: Rubu Ungia, Yauraman Art and Culture Centre

Caroline Pool

Artist: Rosie Lala



Halls Creek Tourism & Visitor Information Centre



- Halls Creek is a **cultural epicentre**, with **6 Art Centres** to visit in the district
- Take a tour of the world famous **Bungle Bungle Range** from the ground or the air
- Visit the delicate ecosystem of the world's second largest meteorite crater **Wolfe Creek Crater**
- Other attractions include **China Wall, Lake Gregory, Mimbi Caves, Palm Springs** and **Sawpit Gorge**

Booking service for local and onward tours and accommodation. Internet access.
An extensive range of maps, souvenirs, jewellery, gifts, local art, books and recordings by local musicians.

ONLINE BOOKINGS AND INFORMATION

www.hallscreektourism.com.au

- Accommodation, tours, coach, domestic & international flight bookings •
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 - Bookings confirmed within 24 hours •
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HALLS CREEK OUTDOOR ART & CULTURE PROJECT

A REVITALISED TOWNSCAPE FOR HALLS CREEK

YARLIYIL ARTS IN COLLABORATION WITH THE **SHIRE OF HALLS CREEK** HAVE INITIATED AN EXCITING NEW PUBLIC ART PROJECT THAT AIMS TO EXPRESS THE CULTURAL DIVERSITY OF HALLS CREEK AND IMPROVE THE VISITOR EXPERIENCE TO THE SHIRE.

The yellow rubbish bins that line the main street and surround the sports oval will be replaced with hand painted bins expressing the diverse history and culture of the people that make up our community.

More than twenty recycled car bonnets offering directional signage to travellers have been hand painted by a variety of artists using landscape and indigenous painting styles and will be placed throughout the shire at strategic locations offering the visitor information and an insight into our culture.

Yarliyil Artists have selected paintings that have been reproduced and printed as murals that will be installed along the main street on shopfronts and fencing offering the visitor a cultural presentation showcasing the artistic talent of Yarliyil artists and hopefully instilling a greater sense of community pride for all Halls Creek residents.

YARLIYIL ART GALLERY PROUDLY SUPPORTING HALLS CREEK PUBLIC ART

Lot 300 Great Northern Highway
Halls Creek
Open weekdays 8.00 am to 4.00 pm
Weekends by prior appointment
0408 477094
yacm@hcshire.wa.gov.au



Photos, top to bottom: Barry and Dallas working hard, Nathan concentrating hard while painting the Halls Creek Hawks bin, visitors admired the 30 artworks on display at the public launch of stage 1. Des and Matt installing the bins around



PO box 21

300 Great Northern Highway

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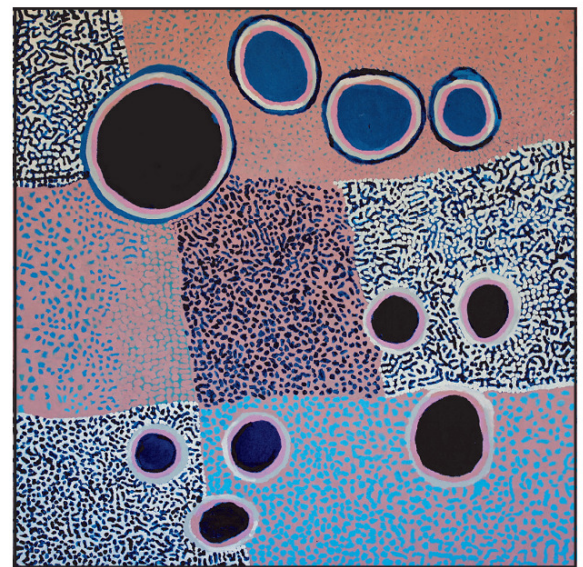
Weekends by appointment

Yarliyil Art Centre is situated on the Great Northern Highway

Yarliyil is an Aboriginal owned and operated Art centre working across a range of mediums.

With more than a 100 artist members it boasts great artistic diversity expressing the rich culture of the land, its history and the people.

In a modern purpose built facility artists work daily in the studio and retail artworks through a contemporary Gallery Space open daily to the public.



Paintings, top to bottom: Hill Country on Margaret River Country by Bonnie Deegan, Collecting Witchety Grub by Shirley Yoomarie, Waterholes on Bedford Downs Station by LuLu Trancollino, Mornington Evening by Barry Demi and Blue Hole by Dilly Butters



Yarliyil Art Centre is based in the Township of Halls Creek in the Central Kimberley. Yarliyil Arts was first formed in 1998 and has operated from numerous locations but now operates from a modern purpose built Gallery and Studio positioned on the Great Northern Highway by the creek at the eastern end of town. Yarliyil Arts is an Aboriginal owned enterprise and has more than 100 artist members that practice art in a wide range of styles and mediums. Artists attend the centre daily to paint and express stories of history, people, the country and cultural connection.

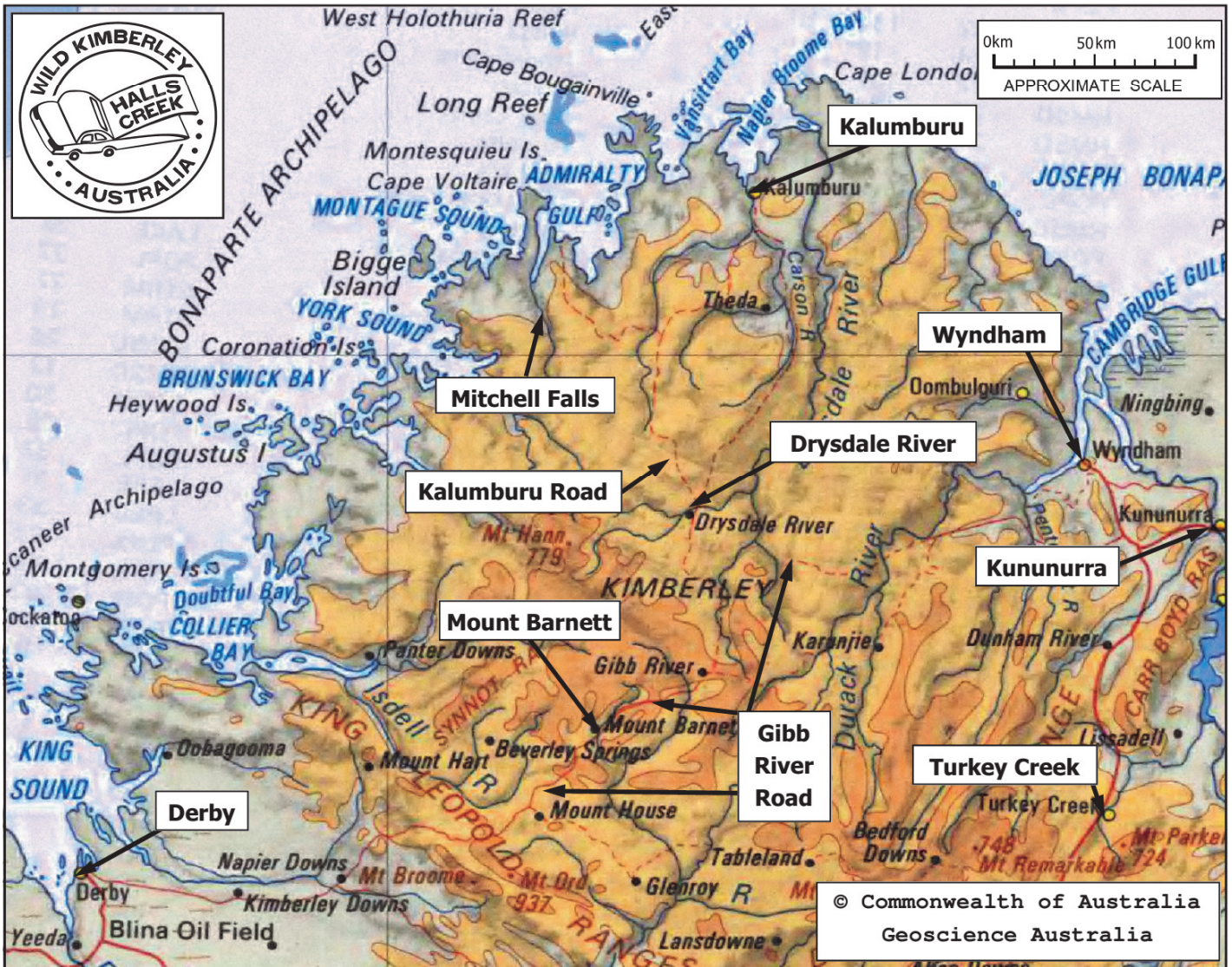
The name Yarliyil is the Jaru word for small paperbark tree, a tree that was used for shelter when people lived a traditional lifestyle. The prominent language groups of artists working at the Art Centre are Jaru, Gija and Walmajarri. Bonnie Deegan, LuLu Trancollino, Janet Dreamer, Maureen Deegan, Barry Demi, Nathan Thomas, Rosie Lala, Deirdre Butters, Judith Butters, Shirley and Magda Yoomarie, Dallas Fletcher are just a few of many artists that practice regularly.

The gallery is open to the public weekdays 8.00 am to 4.00 pm and on weekends by appointment. Products include paintings, limited edition prints, carvings and a range of tasteful merchandise and giftware.



Photos, top to bottom: Yarliyil Board 2017: Barry Demi, Maureen Deegan, Judith Butters and Pauline Thomas, school groups visit Yarliyil regularly, Janet Dreamer in the studio at Yarliyil and Dallas Fletcher with recent works.

DERBY, GIBB RIVER ROAD & MITCHELL PLATEAU

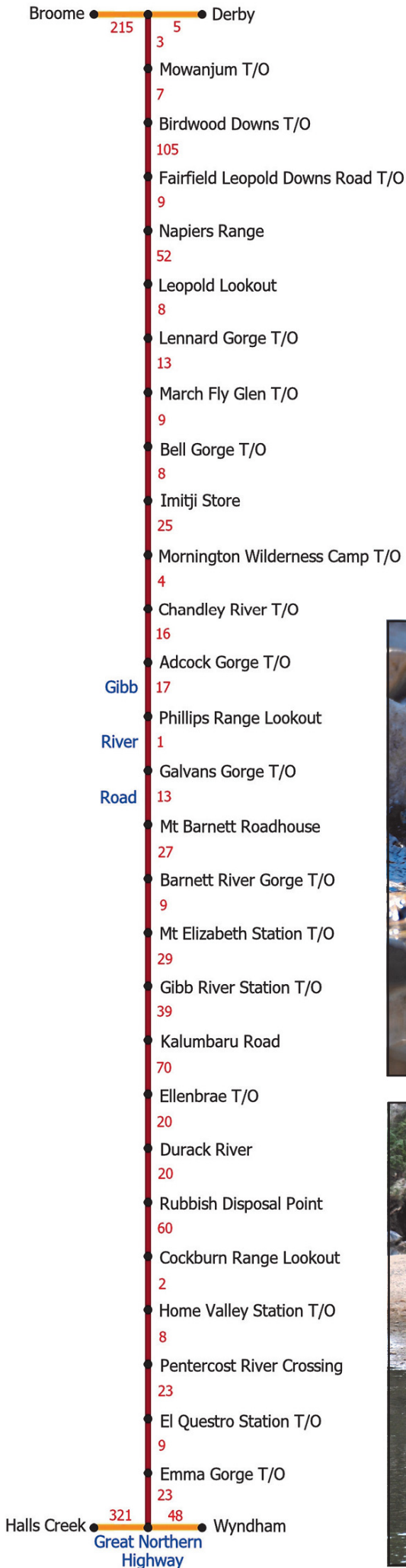


WARNING
Crocodiles Inhabit Kimberley Waterways. Visit:
www.parks.dpaw.wa.gov.au
for more information

GIBB RIVER ROAD

One of Australia's most iconic roads, the Gibb River Road finds itself on many peoples 'bucket list' and there is good reason for this. If you like swimming, gorges, waterfalls, bush walking, spectacular scenery and have a sense of adventure then there is a fairly good chance you will have a trip to remember.

Generally the best time to drive the Gibb River Road (or visit the Kimberley in general) is during the dry season which is usually between May and September. If you want to see the Kimberley in its full splendour then plan your trip around when the wet season finishes and the roads open. This is generally April, May &/or June depending on the wet season. During these months the number of travellers is usually lower than July and August, the water is still flowing



and the vegetation is still fairly green, which provides a great contrast to the beautiful Kimberley Scenery.

For road conditions visit: www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/Pages/Alerts or contact one of the visitor centres in this book.

Photos, left page - If you enjoy birdlife then you will surely love the waterways and gorges that are accessed via the Gibb River Road. Photos courtesy of Adele Thackray.

Photos, this page, top to bottom - Crossing the Pentecost River towards the eastern end of the Gibb River Road. Care is required, especially after unseasonal rain (x2), driving east along the Gibb River Road and approaching Napier Ranges, taking a few happy snaps of the awesome Cockburn Ranges in the afternoon sun, and clouded in at the Cockburn Range Lookout with the Cockburn Range just visible in the background.





MITCHELL FALLS

Mitchell Falls are found in the Mitchell River National Park in the remote Northern Kimberley. The main attraction is the spectacular Mitchell Falls, however there is also some other magnificent scenery and there are also cultural sites and Aboriginal Rock Art sites which of importance to the Wunambal people.

The National Park has toilets, swimming, camping and bushwalking but visitors are advised to be totally self-sufficient. The walk to Mitchell Falls departs from the campground and takes you past Little Mertens Falls and Mertens Gorge before arriving at Mitchell Falls, you will then take the same track back to the campground. Depending on the wet season and unseasonal weather conditions the park is usually open between May and September.

Visit www.parks.dpaw.wa.gov.au for further information.

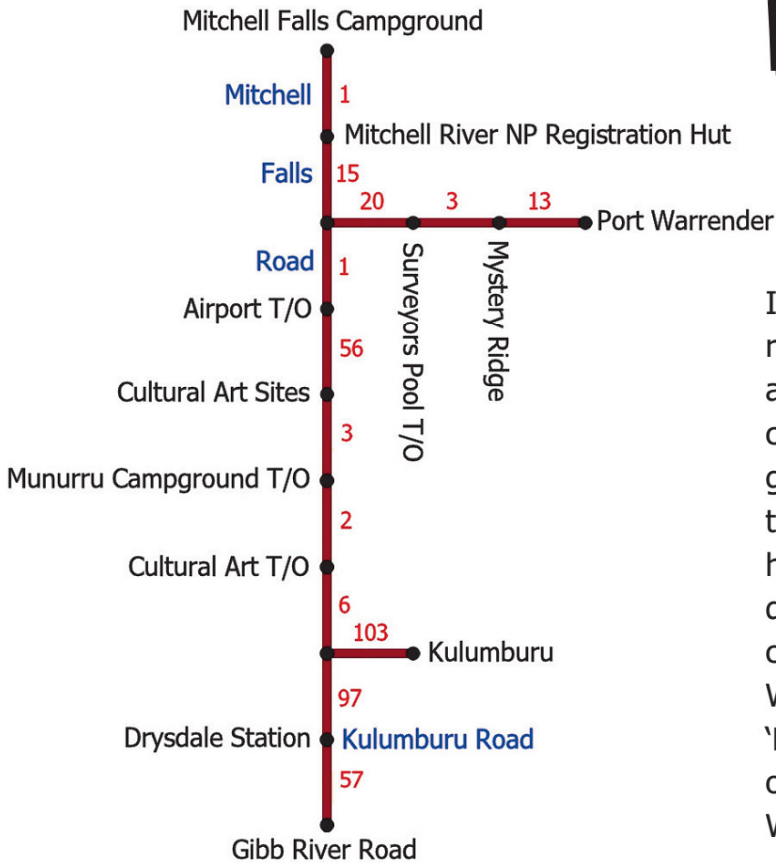
Photos, this page, top to bottom - The Mitchell Falls are a spectacular sight after a good wet season, the dirt Kulumburu, Mitchell Falls and Port Warrender Roads can become quite hazardous if there is unseasonal rain during the usual dry season. In the picture below you can see the boggy conditions of Kulumburu Road and the tricky situation a couple of tour group vehicles found themselves in.

Photos, right page, left to right, top to bottom - A galah enjoying the aerial views over the Mitchell Plateau, tents set up at the Mitchell Falls Camp Ground (NP fees apply), enjoying the magnificent scenery after walking into Mitchell Falls and you get plenty of savage stikes if you know how to fish the isolated yet spectacular Port Warrender and Admiralty Gulf.



PORT WARRENDER

If you are looking for one of the most remote road accessible spots to fish between Darwin and Derby than Port Warrender is well worth consideration. Be warned however, that your gear (boat, 4x4 and trailer) must be up to the task because the roads in can be horrendous and you are a long and costly distance from help. There are however a couple of unbelievable fishing camps in Port Warrender called 'One Tree Beach' and 'Kimberley Coastal Camp' which you can find online. The road between Mystery Ridge and Walsh Point (Port Warrender) is for low range/high clearance four wheel drives and is slow going.



DERBY

Derby Visitor Centre - 30 Loch St, Derby. (08) 9191 1426. www.derbytourism.com.au

Derby Hospital - 67 Clarendon St, Derby. (08) 9193 3333

Derby Post Office - 63 Loch St, Derby. (08) 9191 1350

Derby Police Station - 123 Loch St, Derby. (08) 9191 1444

Wharfinger House Museum and Wool Export Shed – Corner Elder and Loch Streets 17°18'03"S, 123°37'33"E

Derby Pastoral Trail – Clarendon Street 17°18'14"S, 123°37'31"E

Kimberley School of the Air – Corner Marmion and Knowsley Streets 17°18'37"S, 123°37'57"E

Old Derby Gaol – Next to the Police Station on Loch Street 17°18'23"S, 123°38'08"E

Derby Pioneer Cemetery – Lovegrove Street 17°18'56"S, 123°39'53"E

Joon Joo Botanical Trail – 300m south of the Gibb River Road on the west side of Derby Highway 17°20'47"S, 123°39'53"E

Myall's Bore - 600m south of the Gibb River Road on the east side of Derby Highway 17°20'59"S, 123°40'01"E

Boab Prison Tree - 600m south of the Gibb River Road on the east side of Derby Highway 17°21'03"S, 123°40'09"E

Frosty's Pool - 400m south of the Gibb River Road on the east side of Derby Highway 17°20'54"S, 123°39'57"E

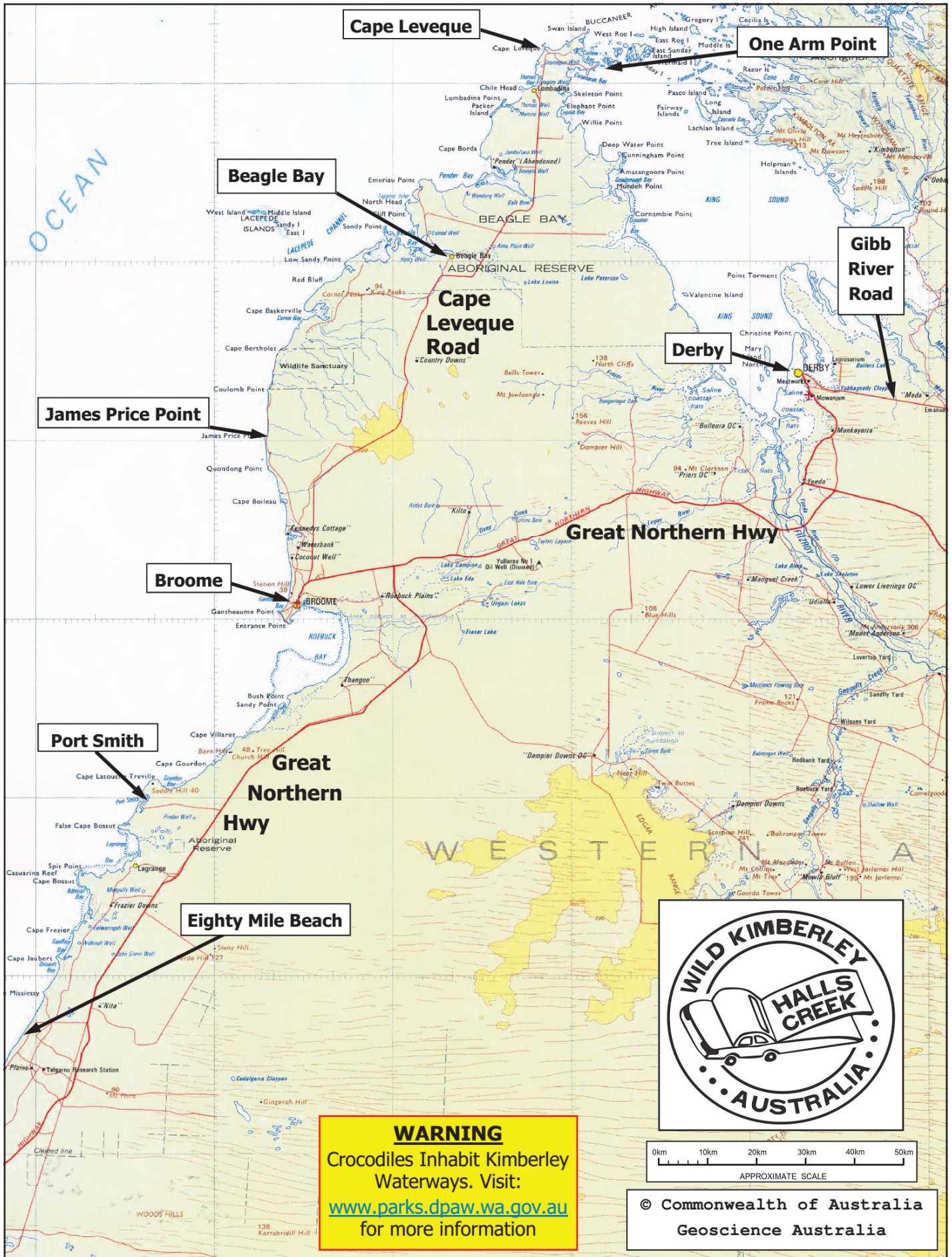


Photos, top to bottom - Wool Export Shed, Wharfinger House Museum, Derby Pastoral Trail, Kimberley School of the Air and Myall's Bore. **Photo, left** - Derby's Boab Prison Tree. **Photo, right page** - Camels walking along Cable Beach (Broome) with a beautiful sunset backdrop.



BROOME TO PORT HEDLAND & CAPE LEVEQUE





Photos, right page, top to bottom - Broome Historical Museum, 4x4 vehicles can access the beach at Cable Beach and Gantheaume Point, Broome Japanese Cemetery and Broome Chinese Cemetery.

BROOME



Broome Visitor Centre - 1 Hamersley St, Broome. (08) 9195 2200.

www.visitbroome.com.au

Broome Hospital - Robinson St, Broome. (08) 9194 2222

Broome Post Office - Paspaley Plaza, 27/8 Short St, Broome. 13 13 18

Broome Police Station - Cnr Hamersley & Fredrick Street, Broome. (08) 9194 0255

Chinese and Japanese Cemeteries - Port Drive 17°57'28"S, 122°13'21"E

Museum - Robinson Street, Town Beach 17°58'29"S, 122°14'10"E

Streeters Jetty and Jetty to Jetty Walk - Corner Short Street and Dampier Terrace 17°57'12"S, 122°14'40"E

Gantheaume Point - End of Gantheaume Point Road. Some dirt road (suitable for 2WD). At very low tides see the dinosaur footprints. Check out the old lighthouse and view north towards Cable Beach. 17°58'30"S, 122°10'44"E

Gantheaume Point Beach Access (4WD) - 800m from lighthouse car park (opposite racecourse), boats can be launched off the beach. 17°57'25"S, 122°11'11"E

Cable Beach - Beautiful Cable Beach is a wonderful place to enjoy a swim or to enjoy a sunset. Observe any information provided by the Broome Surf Life Saving Club. There are also a variety of bars, restaurants and cafes at Cable Beach.

Warning - Driving on the Beach. Broome has some very large tides and vehicles can become bogged in wet or dry sand.





CAPE LEVEQUE

There are plenty of reasons why tourists and locals alike flock to Cape Leveque during the dry season. The reasons include beautiful beaches, great resorts and camping grounds, the gorgeous old church at Beagle Bay, its turquoise water, stunning red sandstone cliffs and the Ardyaloon Trochus Hatchery & Aquaculture Centre at One Arm Point. The Trochus Hatchery & Aquaculture centre provides a wonderful hands-on cultural and marine environment learning experience that is well worth making the effort to check out.

Photos, left page, top to bottom: The 'Jetty to Jetty Walk' in Broome, a busy day on the beach - looking north along Cable Beach from the beach access at Gantheaume Point and the access road to Gantheaume Point.

Photo, this page: Trying to spot some marine life while enjoying watching the powerful currents that flow around beautiful One Arm Point.



BROOME - PORT HEDLAND

Most people driving the Great Northern Highway between Broome and Port Hedland would consider it somewhat uninspiring. The truth is that you may not be able to see the coast or the spectacular geological formations of the Kimberley for the vast majority of the drive. If you have some time up your sleeve there are a few hidden gems not too far off the highway, and this is especially so if you like wetting a line or enjoy fairly quite beaches. Eighty Mile Beach and Port Smith are two of the spots that are worth consideration if you enjoy either of the above mentioned. Port Smith has a number of beautiful spots to relax or fish within fairly close range of the caravan park and they will be able to point you in the right direction. If you have a 4x4 Eighty Mile Beach is also worth a look,

there can be some great land based beach fishing around the top of the tide and you can also drive along the beach to find yourself a nice quiet spot to relax. The tides can be very large around here so it is worth talking to a few people in the area before embarking on your beach driving expedition.

Port Hedland Visitor Centre - 13 Wedge St, Port Hedland. (08) 9173 1711.

www.visitporthedland.com

Hedland Health Campus - 26-34 Colebatch Way, South Hedland. (08) 9174 1000

Port Hedland Police Station - 3 Anderson St, Port Hedland. (08) 9173 1444

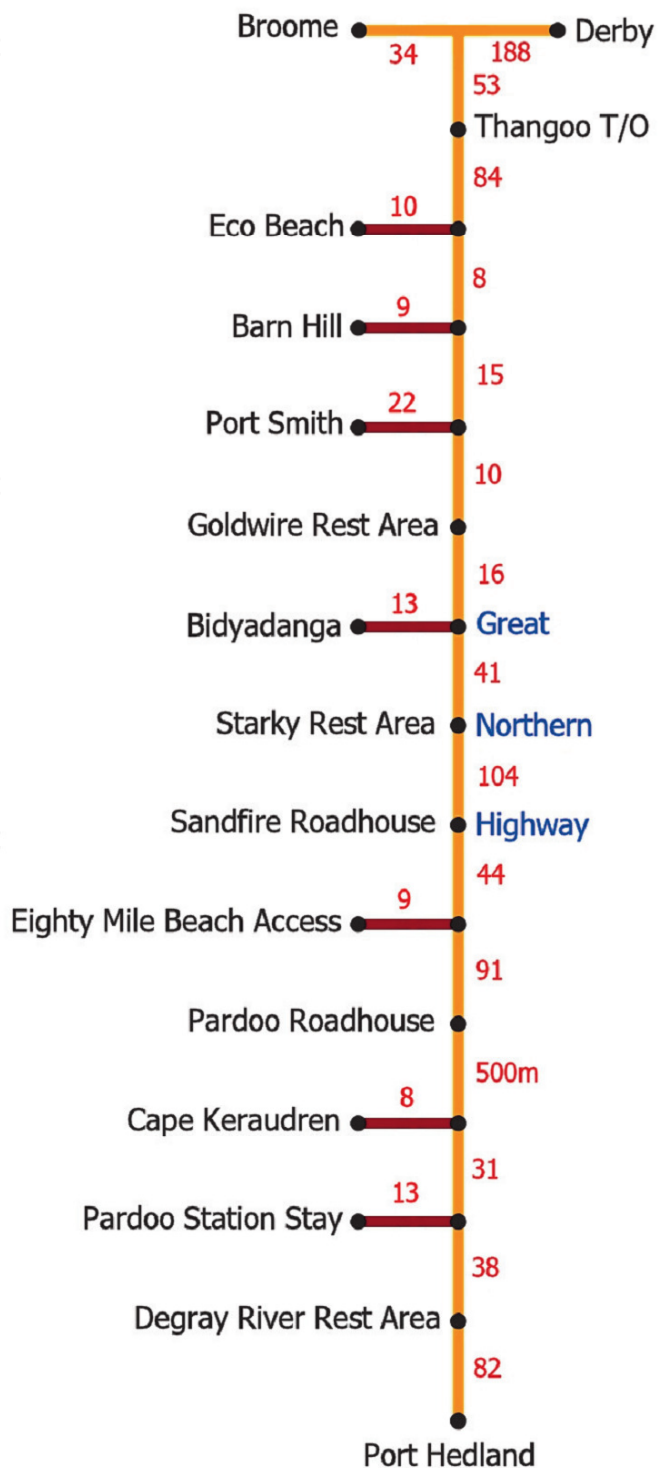
Port Hedland Post Office - 18 Wedge St, Port Hedland. 13 13 18

Goldwire Rest Area – 24hr, dump point, bins, shaded picnic tables, toilets and wood BBQ's.

Stanley Rest Area – 24hr, dump point, bins, shaded picnic tables, toilets and wood BBQ's.

Degray Rest Area – 24hr, dump point and toilets.

Photos, top to bottom: Cliffs near Port Smith, launching a boat for a day on the water at Port Smith and kicking back waiting for the beach rods to go off around high tide at Eighty Mile Beach.



FITZROY CROSSING AREA

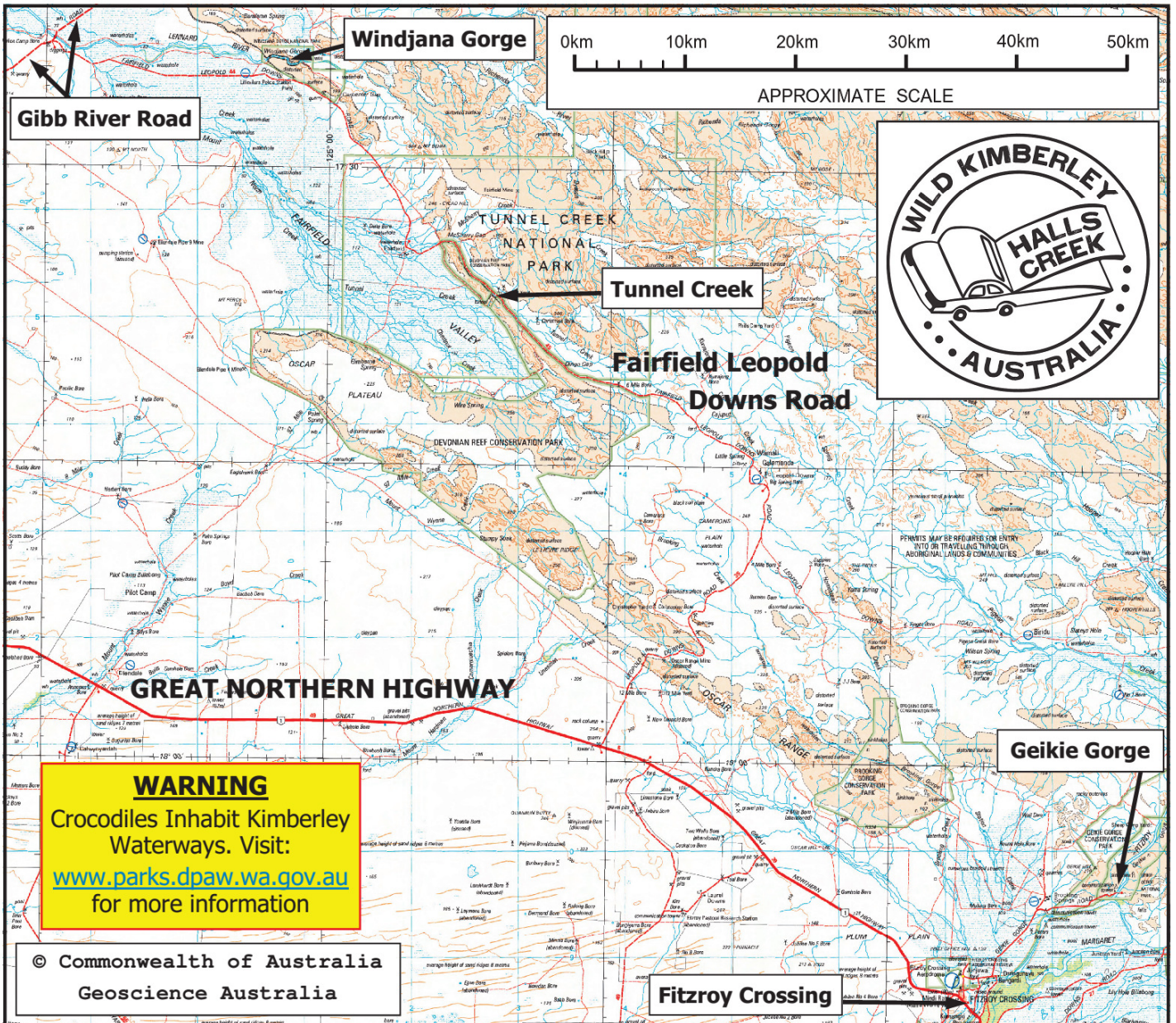
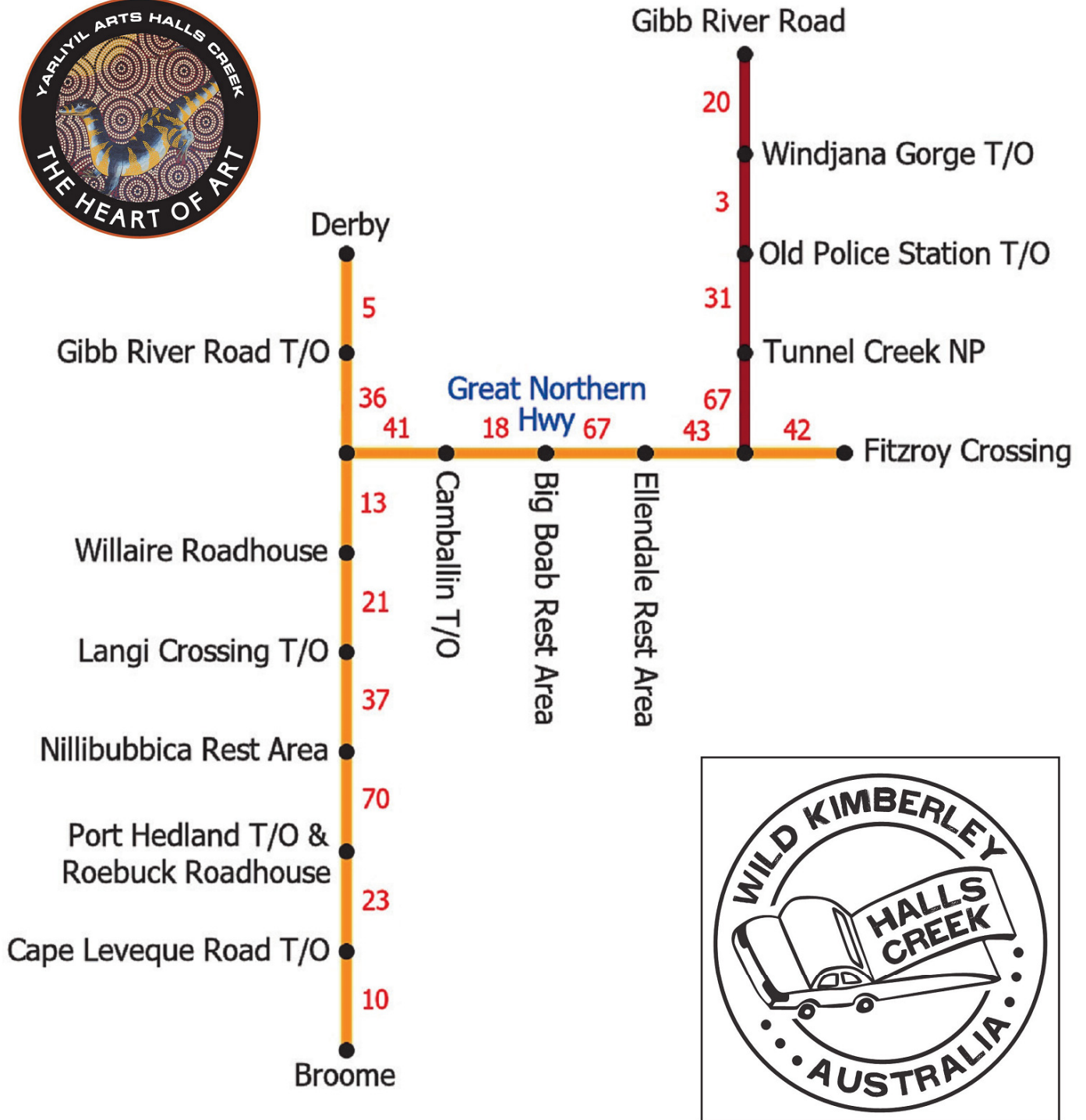


Photo: Cruising the spectacular Geikie Gorge on the Fitzroy River.





FITZROY CROSSING

The Fitzroy Crossing region is home to some beautiful natural attractions including Tunnel Creek, Windjana Gorge, Geikie Gorge and the beautiful Fitzroy River. Head down to the 'Old Fitzroy River Crossing' in town to check out the Fitzroy River.

Fitzroy Crossing Visitor Centre - Cnr of Forest Rd & Flynn Dr, Fitzroy Crossing. (08) 9191 5355.
www.fitzroycrossingtourism.com.au

Fitzroy Crossing Hospital - Fallon Rd, Fitzroy Crossing. (08) 9166 1777

Fitzroy Crossing Police Station - 55 Fallon Rd, Fitzroy Crossing. (08) 9191 5000

Fitzroy Crossing Post Office - 1/21 Forrest Rd, Fitzroy Crossing . (08) 9191 5060

KIMBERLEY CAMPING EXPERIENCES

Between Halls Creek and Fitzroy Crossing you have the option of two remarkable camping experiences. You can pick between the operating Larrawa Station and the spectacular Mimbi Caves. They are both situated approximately half way between Halls Creek and Fitzroy Crossing. Check out their websites below for more information.

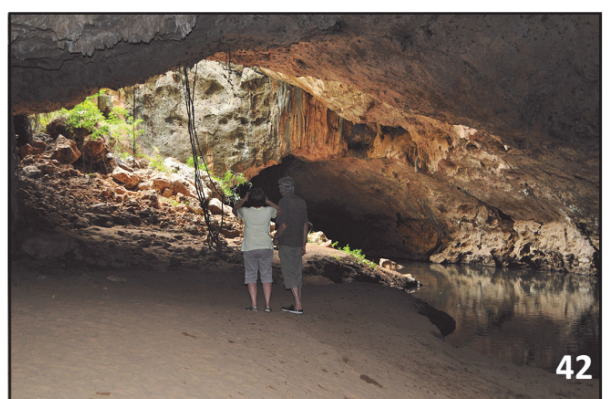
Mimbi Caves and Girloorloo Tours - www.mimbicaves.com.au

Larrawa Nature Stay and Bush Camping - www.larrwabushcamp.com . (08) 9191 7025

TUNNEL CREEK

Located approximately 110km from Fitzroy Crossing you can walk through the cave system along Tunnel Creek. If completing the whole length of the walk you will have to wade through the water of the creek at various points so be prepared to get your feet wet. There are toilets, picnic tables, an information shelter and the walk runs underground for about 750m and you return the same way you enter. A torch and sturdy footwear are advised. The park is generally open between April and November depending on conditions. There is no camping available at Tunnel Creek. For further information visit www.parks.dpaw.wa.gov.au

Photos, top to bottom: A smoking ceremony before the Girloorloo Cultural Tour at Mimbi Caves, some of the lovely facilities at the Mimbi Cave Camping Ground, a colourful python curled up for a rest at Tunnel Creek, light shining through the rocks at Tunnel Creek and visitors enjoying the walk at Tunnel Creek. Images courtesy of Bronwyn Little and Adele Thackray



WINDJANA GORGE

Windjana Gorge has a National Park camping ground with a spectacular backdrop, it also has toilets and a couple of walking tracks.

The main walking track begins from the camping ground and is a fairly easy going 3.5km each way. It takes you through the limestone gorge where you explore the fossilised marine life forms in the limestone cliffs of the gorge left from the inhabitants of this country many, many moons ago. You can also enjoy the array of native flora and fauna that currently call Windjana Gorge home. If you want to see freshwater crocodiles while in the 'Wild Kimberley' this is arguably the best place to do so.

For further information visit

www.parks.dpaw.wa.gov.au

Photos, top to bottom: Walking into Windjana Gorge, the views are something special around dawn and dusk at Windjana Gorge, this freshwater crocodile doesn't look like it could get any more relaxed, where as this group would rather just hang out with their friends and a couple of corellas stretching their wings. Images courtesy of Adele Thackray



GEIKIE GORGE

This spectacular gorge is a well signposted 20km drive from Fitzroy Crossing. The gorge has been formed where the Fitzroy River has carved its way through limestone which now form the walls of Geikie Gorge. The gorge is usually open from April to November depending on conditions.

There are toilets, a rangers base, public boat ramp (restricted hours of use) and pre-booked boat tours available. You need a boat to fully enjoy the gorge, so if you don't have your own boat it is advised to book a boat tour. Contact one of the Visitor Centres in this book for further information.

This National Park attracts bushwalkers, fishermen, kayakers and plenty of tourists taking in the beautiful natural scenery and wildlife.

For further information visit www.parks.dpaw.wa.gov.au

Photos, top to bottom: Kicking back like a crocodile at Geikie Gorge, which way is up and which is down? and the colourful walls of Geikie Gorge are almost like artwork (x3). The bottom four images are courtesy of Adele Thackray,

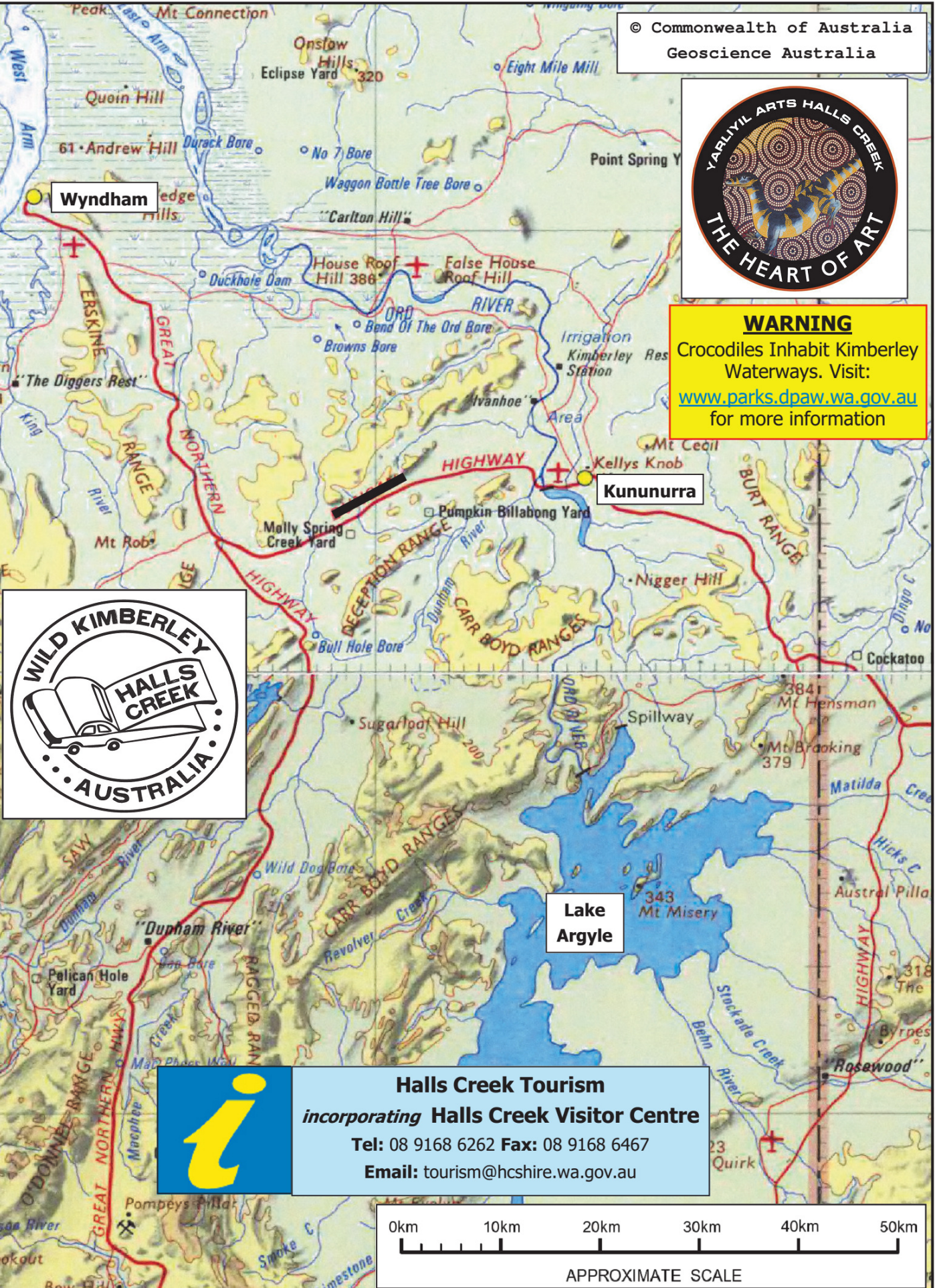


EAST KIMBERLEY

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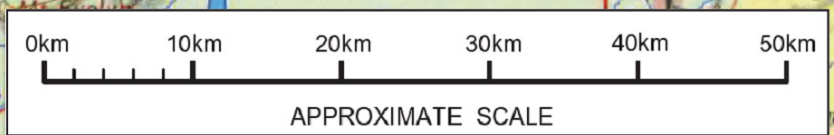




Photo: View over Kununurra from Kellys Knob Lookout





WYNDHAM

Wyndham District Hospital - 43 Minderoo St, Wyndham.
(08) 9161 0222

Wyndham Post Office - 17 Koolinda Ave, Wyndham. (08)
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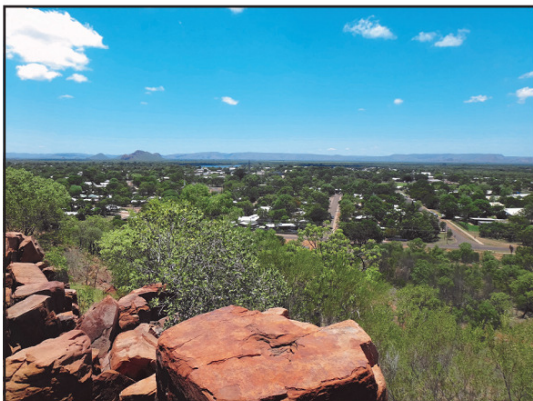
Wyndham Police Station - 8 Macphee St, Wyndham WA.
(08) 9161 1055

Five Rivers Lookout (The Bastion) – Located on Hugo Austla Drive the lookout provides a wonderful view of where the Durack, Kink, Pentercost, Forrest and Ord Rivers meet.

Marlu Billabong and the Grotto are best visited soon after the wet/early in the dry season.



KUNUNURRA



Kununurra Visitor Centre - 75 Coolibah Dr, Kununurra.
(08) 9168 1177. www.visitkununurra.com

Kununurra District Hospital - 96 Coolibah Dr, Kununurra.
(08) 9166 4222

Kununurra Post Office - 89 Coolibah Dr, Kununurra.
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Kununurra Police Station - 94 Coolibah Dr, Kununurra.
(08) 9166 4530

Kellys Knob Lookout – Kelly Road (off Speargrass Road) opposite Waringarri Aboriginal Arts. 30m walk over rocky steps for a great view over Kununurra 15°45'57"S, 128°44'26"E

Kununurra Community Markets – Corner of Coolibah Drive and Mangaloo Street 15°46'14"S, 128°44'16"E

Mirima National Park – Hidden Valley Way, off Barringtonia Ave. Payment required to drive in. Walking tracks, shaded picnic tables, toilets and interpretative signage.



White Gum Warlarring Park – Corner of Coolibah Drive and Whitegum Street (opposite the Visitor Centre). Toilets in the park and markets on Saturday mornings during the tourist season.

Celebrity Tree Park – On the Victoria Highway. Bins, picnic tables, kids playground, toilets and boat ramp.

Swim Beach Park – 500m east of Kununurra Diversion Dam Bridge and 300m into park. Bins, picnic tables, BBQ's, toilets and boat ramp.

Lions Club Park and Boat Ramp – 800m west of Kununurra Diversion Dam Bridge, turn at the information bay and drive 500m into the park. Boat ramp and picnic table.

LAKE ARGYLE & ORD RIVER

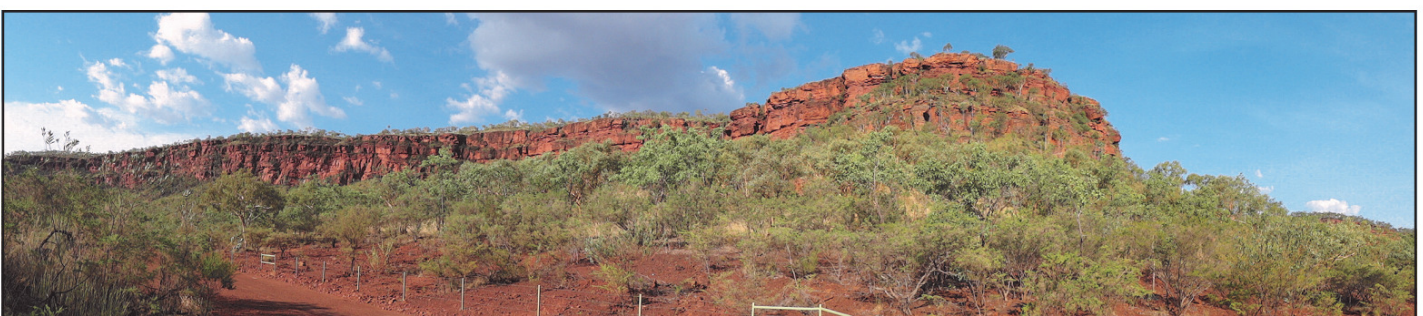
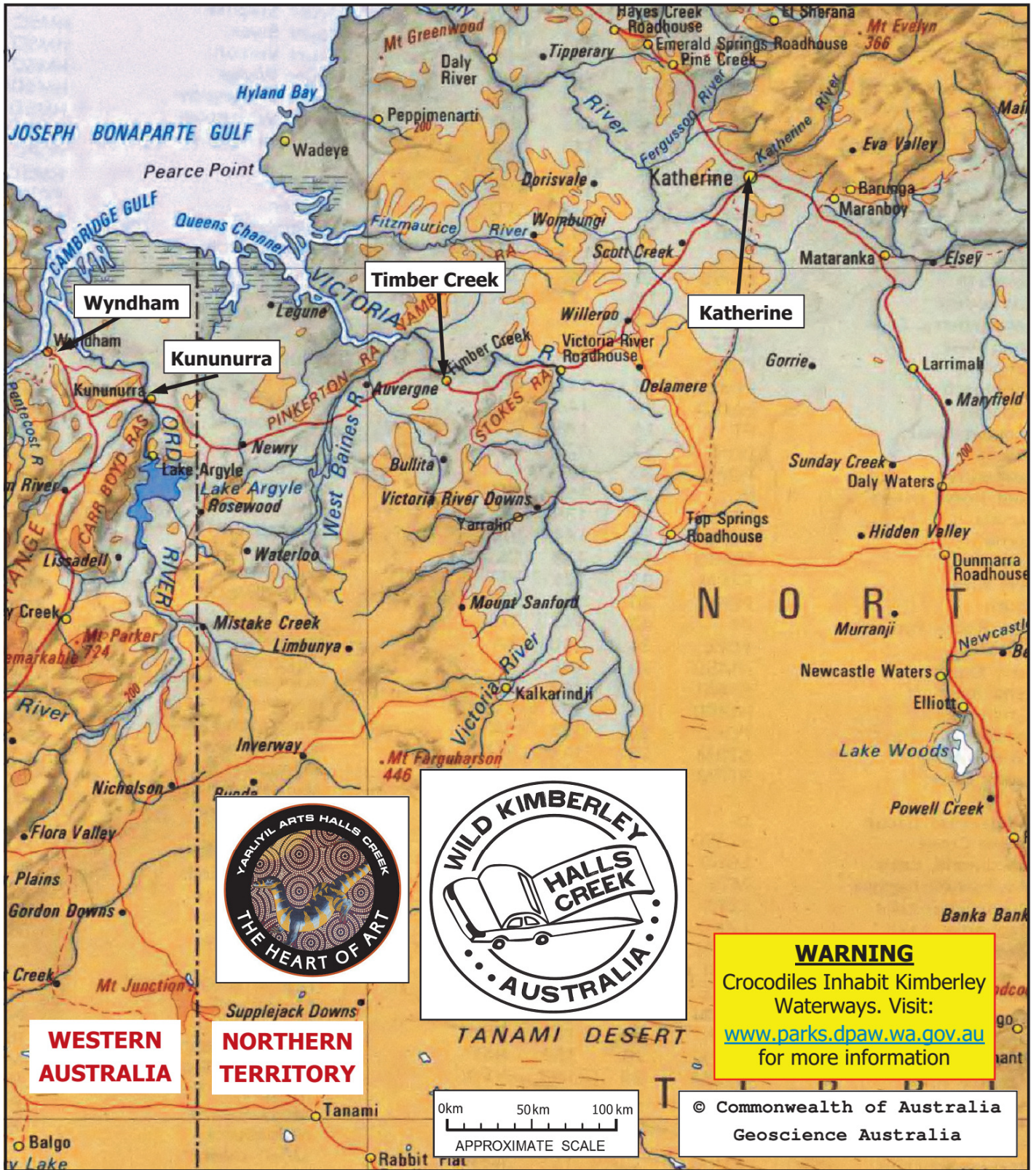
Lake Argyle – visit the Argyle Homestead Museum between 8am and 4pm from April to September or drive across the dam wall to the picnic area below the wall on the Ord River. It is 2.5km past Lake Argyle Village and has a boat ramp, bins, picnic tables, toilets and wood BBQ's.

Ord River - This large river flows from North-East of Halls Creek into Lake Argyle, then out of Lake Argyle before entering the Cambridge Gulf near Wyndham.

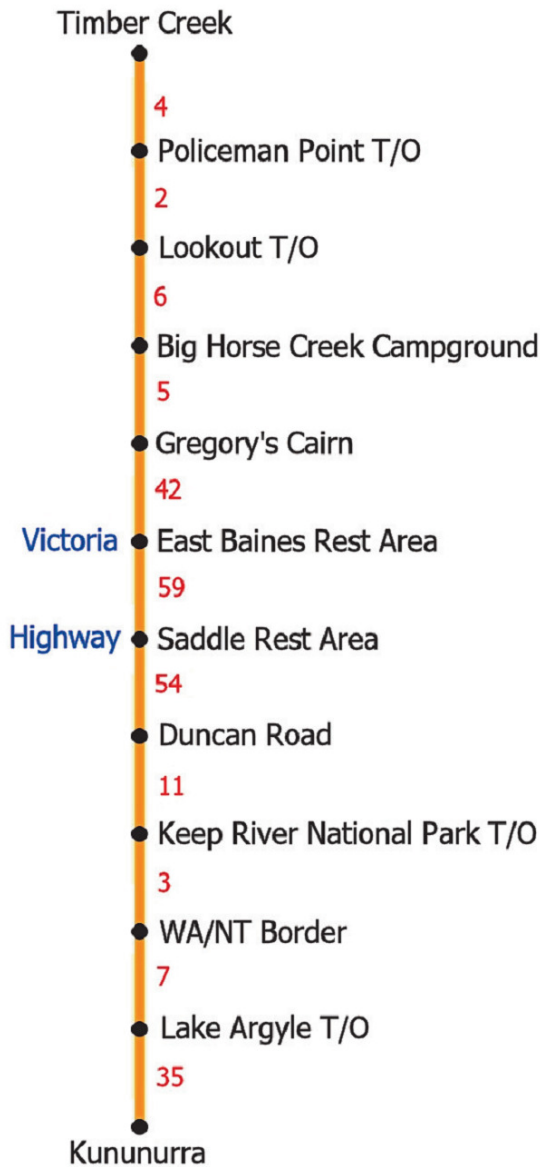
Photos, left page, top to bottom - Lagoons Lookout, Wyndham boat ramp, Wyndham Museum, view from Kellys Knob and Mirima National Park.
Photos, this page, top to bottom - wetlands on western side of Lake Argyle (x2), Ord River at Valentine Falls Estate and Lake Argyle Spillway (x2).



VICTORIA HIGHWAY



TIMBER CREEK - KUNUNURRA



Timber Creek Post Office - 78 Victoria Highway, Timber Creek. (08) 8975 0722

Timber Creek Police Station and Museum - Victoria Highway, Timber Creek . (08) 8981 2848

Timber Creek Health Centre - 59 Wilson Street, Timber Creek. (08) 8975 0727

Timber Creek Lookout – bins, picnic tables, wood BBQ, 2km up steep hill off the Victoria Highway.

Big Horse Creek Campground – boat ramp, bins and picnic tables.

East Baines Rest Area – 24hr, shaded picnic tables, bins and untreated water.

Saddle Rest Area – Toilets, shaded picnic tables, bins, Wood BBQ's, untreated water and a beautiful escarpment backdrop.

WA/NT Border – Quarantine checkpoint for vehicles entering WA and public toilets.

Photos, top to bottom: WA/NT Border, Keep River National Park, Saddle Rest Area and Big Horse Creek Boat Ramp.

Photo, left: There is some magnificent escarpment country around Timber Creek. **50**





KATHERINE - TIMBER CREEK

Katherine Visitor Information Centre - Stuart Hwy & Lindsay St, Katherine. (08) 8972 2650.

www.visitkatherine.com.au

Katherine District Hospital - Giles St, Katherine. (08) 8973 9211

Katherine Post Office - 13 Katherine Terrace, Katherine. 13 13 18

Katherine Police Station - 58 Acacia Dr, Katherine East. (08) 8999 5511

Katherine Hot Springs are accessed via Riverbank Drive and are a must do (swim) while in town.

King River Rest Area – 24hr, picnic tables, bins, wood BBQ's and untreated tank water.

Limestone Rest Area – Toilets, shaded picnic tables, bins, untreated tank water and wood BBQ's.

Mathison Rest Area – 24hr, dump point, toilets, shaded picnic tables, bins and untreated tank water.

Sullivan Campground (fees apply) is on the banks of Sullivan Creek and has picnic tables, wood BBQ's and toilets.

Old Victoria River Crossing is a 1km drive in and a 4x4 is required.

Joe Creek Picnic Area (no camping) is a beautiful 2km drive in on a dirt road. There are picnic tables, wood BBQ's, toilet and a walking track.

Photo, top: Old Victoria River Crossing between Katherine and Timber Creek.

Photo, right: Driving the Victoria Highway between Katherine and Timber Creek.



YARLIYIL ART CENTRE

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Open weekdays 8.00 am to 4.00 pm

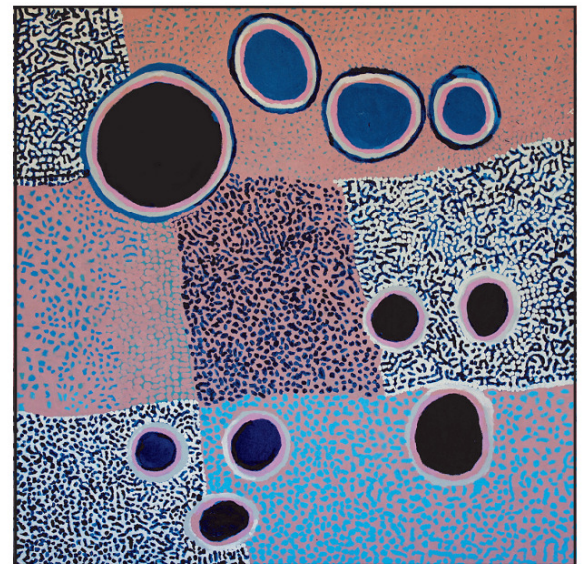
Weekends by appointment

Yarliyil Art Centre is situated on the Great Northern Highway

Yarliyil is an Aboriginal owned and operated Art centre working across a range of mediums.

With more than a 100 artist members it boasts great artistic diversity expressing the rich culture of the land, its history and the people.

In a modern purpose built facility artists work daily in the studio and retail artworks through a contemporary Gallery Space open daily to the public.



Paintings, top to bottom: Hill Country on Margaret River Country by Bonnie Deegan, Collecting Witchety Grub by Shirley Yoomarie, Waterholes on Bedford Downs Station by LuLu Trancollino, Mornington Evening by Barry Demi and Blue Hole by Dilly Butters





Halls Creek Tourism & Visitor Information Centre



- Halls Creek is a **cultural epicentre**, with **6 Art Centres** to visit in the district
- Take a tour of the world famous **Bungle Bungle Range** from the ground or the air
- Visit the delicate ecosystem of the world's second largest meteorite crater **Wolfe Creek Crater**
- Other attractions include **China Wall, Lake Gregory, Mimbi Caves, Palm Springs** and **Sawpit Gorge**

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