

CAMPING IN NATIONAL PARKS, RESERVES AND STATE FOREST

From midday Friday, 1 May 2020 campgrounds within national parks, reserves and State forest will be open for camping. This includes camping in huts along the Bibbulmun Track and Munda Biddi trail. However, as intrastate travel restrictions remain in place people will only be able to camp within their regional boundaries.

National parks remain open to the community to ensure that people in their local area can exercise and get some fresh air to support their wellbeing.

<p>Campground bookings</p>	<p>From midday Friday, 1 May 2020, people can book campsites for stays of up to two weeks at a time and can only make a booking up to two weeks ahead of an arrival date. However, as intrastate travel restrictions remain in place people will only be able to camp within their regional boundary. People will not be able to cross regional boundaries to go camping. You can find out which region (see overleaf) your campground is located in by checking the campground description at the website exploreparcs.dbca.wa.gov.au. To find the region you live in, check the website dpird.wa.gov.au/node/15</p> <p>Online booking of campgrounds</p> <p>From midday Friday, 1 May 2020 campgrounds can be booked online at exploreparcs.dbca.wa.gov.au. Booking of sites will remain available on a first in, first served approach.</p> <p>Non bookable sites</p> <p>For those campsites that are not bookable online, DBCA will continue to collect fees at non bookable sites on a first in, first served approach from midday Friday, 1 May 2020.</p>		
<p>Facilities and services at campgrounds</p>	<p>The four square metres of space per person rule, with particular attention to shared facilities and areas such as ablutions/camp kitchens and other communal areas, must be followed.</p> <p>Facilities and services at most Parks and Wildlife Service campgrounds across the State are basic. While campgrounds will be cleaned and serviced, campers should ensure they can maintain good personal hygiene while camping by carrying their own handwashing equipment and materials.</p> <p>Campers are reminded that they need to be self-sufficient and follow social distancing rules. DBCA campgrounds are not serviced to the same level as caravan parks.</p> <p>Campers can visit the Explore Parks website to assist with planning their visit.</p>		
<p>Campground Hosts</p>	<p>DBCA will be contacting existing registered campground hosts and those who are willing to assist will be able to apply for a intrastate travel exemption to attend their designated campsite. Campground hosts will assist DBCA in managing campgrounds.</p>		
<p>Attractions, trails and tours</p>	<p>The following closures remain in place at key attractions, facilities and tours:</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td style="vertical-align: top;"> <p>Kimberley</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Geikie Gorge Boat Tour <p>Midwest</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monkey Mia Experience <p>Wheatbelt</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Barna Mia Experience <p>Swan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crystal Cave, Yanchep National Park • Yanchep Aboriginal Experience • Penguin Island Experience • Perth Hills Discovery Centre </td> <td style="vertical-align: top; padding-left: 20px;"> <p>South West</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Calgardup Cave • Giants Cave <p>Warren</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tree Top Walk • Ancient Empire Guided Walk </td> </tr> </table> <p>Closures will be reassessed on a fortnightly basis and/or following the advice of State Government regarding COVID-19 measures.</p>	<p>Kimberley</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Geikie Gorge Boat Tour <p>Midwest</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monkey Mia Experience <p>Wheatbelt</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Barna Mia Experience <p>Swan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crystal Cave, Yanchep National Park • Yanchep Aboriginal Experience • Penguin Island Experience • Perth Hills Discovery Centre 	<p>South West</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Calgardup Cave • Giants Cave <p>Warren</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tree Top Walk • Ancient Empire Guided Walk
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<p>Kimberley parks and reserves</p>	<p>Mirima National Park and surrounds in Kununurra, Minyirr Park and surrounding conservation reserves in Broome and Geikie Gorge National Park remain open. All remaining remote national parks in the Kimberley, which were due to open in April at the end of the wet season, will remain closed until the State Government makes changes to Kimberley intraregional travel arrangements.</p>		



An interactive map of the regional development commission boundaries is available at: dpiird.wa.gov.au/node/15