more details. Exmouth and Coral Bay. Contact the Exmouth Visitor Centre for and compressed air and equipment hire are available at both Diving is a great way to experience Mingaloo. Instruction

National Park (see map for details). also be found at Coral Bay and several locations in Cape Range Tantabiddi. Unsealed boat launching areas for smaller vessels can Boat ramps are located at Exmouth marina, Bundegi and

freecall 1800 287 328. Exmouth Visitor Centre for more information (08) 9949 1176 or boat tours, sea kayaking and four-wheel-drive tours. Contact the Exmouth. Activities include snorkelling, diving, glass bottom National Park and Ningaloo Marine Park from Coral Bay and Commercial park tours are conducted in both Cape Range public telephone (phone card only) is located next to the centre.

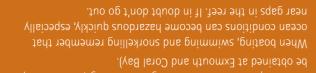
available from the adjoining shop or the centre (seasonal). A with special interests. Light refreshments and souvenirs are Coral Coast, and a small library provides information for those brochures and videos explain the natural communities of the every day 9am to 3.45pm, except Christmas Day. Displays, Milyering Visitor Centre in Cape Range National Park is open other supplies are also available.

range of other accommodation. Public telephones, fuel, food and Coral Bay has two caravan parks, chalets, a hotel/motel and a 1800 287 328.

accommodation or tour bookings (08) 9949 1176 or freecall the Exmouth Visitor Centre for more information and for banking, a post office, hospital and police station. Contact accommodation, entertainment and services including limited Exmouth offers a range of shops, caravan parks and other

Services and facilities

Above Scuba diving in Mingaloo Marine Park.



• Take adequate fuel when driving and boating (fuel can only water. Remember to always wear sunscreen and a hat. Protect yourself from the sun, whether in or out of the

Comfort and safety



the low rainfall supports very few trees and shade is scarce. carry drinking water. Although the cloudless skies are a delight,

from Movember to April and summer visitors are advised to listen The Coral Coast is in the hot and arid tropics of north-west

Planning your visit

marine parks. The unclassified area of the Muiron Islands Marine called conservation areas which are similar to sanctuary zones in Muiron Islands Marine Management Area has classified areas

industries such as fishing, wool production and oil exploration with increasing numbers of visitors every year. However, other loday the major growth industry for the Coral Coast is tourism,

whales and turtles protected in an unspoiled environment. The parks now provide an opportunity to see once-hunted cyclones, military activity and a variety of maritime industries. been witness to historic expeditions, devastating tropical Long inhabited by Aboriginal people, the Coral Coast has also

two features divided by coastal plains and drifting sand dunes. backdrop to the turquoise waters of the Mingaloo Reef with the The rugged limestone landscape of Cape Range provides a stark A variety of natural communities is represented in the parks.

laze on the beach, the Coral Coast has something for everyone. you want to hike through rugged gorges, snorkel in lagoons or activities and learning about the natural environment. Whether Parks of the Coral Coast are ideal locations for recreational

Parks of the Coral Coast

Above Point Maud, Coral Bay.



Ningaloo Marine Park

Ningaloo Marine Park protects Australia's largest and most accessible fringing reef system. The shallow lagoons formed by the reef, and the deeper offshore waters, create a diverse array of habitats for a multitude of colourful corals and more than 500 species of fish.

Many other creatures are found in the park, including whale sharks (the world's largest fish), turtles, dugongs, dolphins, manta rays and humpback whales.

Ningaloo Marine Park provides an excellent opportunity to fish (outside sanctuary zones), swim, snorkel, dive, observe marine life and relax on the beach

Ningaloo has been divided into management zones (see map) to reflect the distribution of natural resources and separate conflicting recreational uses.

Above Fishing on the beach at Ningaloo Marine Park.







Above Sea life of Ningaloo Marine Park. **Below** Snorkelling in the park. Below right Turtle. Right Whaleshark.

Sanctuary zones are look but don't take zones. No extractive activities are permitted in these zones, which means no recreational or commercial fishing is allowed. Mining activities are also prohibited.

Special purpose (benthic protection) zones are also 'look but don't take' zones. However, recreational 'troll' fishing is allowed. Special purpose (shore-based activities) zones are established alongside sanctuary zones to allow shore-based recreational fishing for finfish only (no other extractive activities are allowed).

Recreation zones are managed for nature conservation and recreation, including recreational fishing.

General use zones are managed for nature conservation while allowing for sustainable commercial and recreational activities. Fishing is permitted in general use and recreational zones in accordance with fishing regulations. Exmouth Gulf Landing **zone** applies to the landing of rock lobster. Special fishing rules apply in order to conserve fish stocks. Daily bag limits apply as does possession by limits. Make sure you have a copy of the zone guide for Ningaloo Marine Park before wetting a line. Copies are available from DPaW and Department of Fisheries offices. Remember — No fishing is permitted in sanctuary zones.



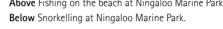
Parks of the Coral Coast

Ningaloo Marine Park

marine management area

Cape Range National Park

and Muiron Islands







Code of the Coral Coast

We trust that your stay here will be relaxing and memorable. To help achieve that and ensure the environment is protected for future users we have developed the following coral coast code.

Sanctuary zones Remember that nothing (living or not) is to be taken from these zones.

Collecting Removal of shells is not permitted anywhere in the

Dangerous currents can occur. For your safety check sea conditions or contact Milyering Visitor Centre for information before you enter the water. If there are strong currents, stay on or near the beach. Please read the signs for your safety.

Wildlife sanctuary This area is for the protection of significant fauna species and their habitat. Visitor access is prohibited.

Spear guns and gidgies These are not to be used in Ningaloo Marine Park between Winderabandi Point and Tantabiddi Boat Ramp and in the Ningaloo Commonwealth Marine Reserve. Refer to the marine park fishing regulations for more information.

Fish offal All offal is to be buried a minimum of 300 millimetres deep in the sand or placed in an appropriate disposal container where available.

Generators Please note that areas where generators are not allowed include North Neds, North T-Bone, North Mandu, Kurrajong, Bungarra and South Osprey.

Campfires Do not light campfires in Cape Range National Park. This includes the use of heat beads. Gas cookers only are permitted.

Toilets Park toilets provided use bio additives to help break down wastes. Please do not place any chemicals, including porta potty wastes or detergents in the toilets as this will kill any helpful bacteria. Wastes from chemical toilets should be removed from the park and disposed of according to the manufacturer's instructions. Contact Exmouth Visitor Centre for disposal points.

Wildlife Do not feed the wildlife (including fish) as this can cause them to become aggressive and dependent on an unnatural food

Driving Avoid driving on beaches and sand dunes. These environments are delicate and easily degraded. Driving on beaches can disturb turtle nests and disorientate turtle hatchlings trying to reach the sea. If it is necessary to drive on sandy tracks, please reduce tyre pressure to reduce damage and make driving easier. The park's speed limit is 80 kilometres per hour.

Anchor only in sandy areas. Coral is delicate and once damaged may take many years to regrow. Avoid standing on coral formations and touching marine organisms.

Pets and firearms are not permitted in Cape Range National Park.

Further information

DPaW staff are pleased to share their knowledge and offer helpful suggestions about places to go and things to do and see. More information is available from the Department's Exmouth or Perth offices.

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Milyering Visitor Centre Phone: (08) 9949 2808

Exmouth Police Phone: (08) 9947 8700 Exmouth Hospital

Phone: (08) 9949 3666 Milyering Visitor Centre and park staff have radio contact with the DPaW Exmouth Office.

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Cape Range National Park

Cape Range National Park is dominated by a rugged limestone range, the remains of an ancient sea floor thrust upwards by movements of the Earth's crust. The range descends to sea level along the coast with arid coastal plains and sand dunes predominating.

This diverse landscape is rich in wildlife. Kangaroos, echidnas, emus and large lizards are common, along with smaller mammals and other reptiles. More than 160 species of bird have been recorded in the area.

The park provides a variety of recreational opportunities to walk, camp, canoe, observe nature, picnic, take photographs and much

Where is it? The northern entry point provides the main access to Cape Range National Park and is about 36 kilometres from Exmouth. Entry from the south is via Ningaloo Station and requires a four-wheel-drive vehicle in order to cross Yardie Creek. Yardie Creek is subject to intermittent saltwater flooding contact Milyering or Exmouth visitor centres for conditions.

Roads The major access road into and through the park (south to Yardie Creek) is sealed. Access roads to individual sites comprise both sealed and unsealed roads. Most of these access roads are suitable for two-wheel-drive vehicles. However, road conditions deteriorate rapidly with rain and access may become

To protect wildlife the maximum driving speed is 80 kilometres per hour, and night driving should be avoided.

If unavoidable, please dip high beam headlights when you see any animals ahead on the road. This allows the animals to move

Below Wildflowers of Cape Range National Park Right Gorges





Camp sites can be found at selected locations along the length of Cape Range National Park (see map). All sites have limited facilities, with no power or water and most with no shade. The maximum time that campers may stay in the national park is 28 days. Camping fees apply and visitors must vacate sites by 10am on the day of departure.

To camp outside the park on pastoral lands, you should contact the station manager. Camping or entry fees apply in many of

Below (left) Main beach at Coral Bay Centre Boat at Yardie Creek



Water is available from Ned's bore in the national park in limited amounts. However, this water supply is not suitable for human consumption and visitors must bring their own drinking water.

Visitor fees are payable and can be paid at the park entry station, Milyering Visitor Centre or DPaW office in Exmouth. If you are planning to visit the park more than once, or intend to visit other national parks in the state then please ask about the various extended park pass options available.

Walk trails are established in several locations in Cape Range National Park. For more information contact the Milyering Visitor Centre, DPaW's office in Exmouth or ask a park ranger (see map for details).

Right (top) Emus. Right (centre) Yardie Creek Gorge. Right Termite mounds







