

WA Wildflowers, Landscapes & Private Gardens



10 days with a Botanical Guide in a small group

8 September 2018 per person \$5,895NZD

Solo Travellers – please enquire with Go4iT

Explore nature's garden, rare and spectacular wildflowers and delightful private gardens, plus some of the iconic sights of the southern region of Western Australia. Discover rare orchids in the south of the state, which is home to over 3,000 different species.

Highlights

- Admire the spectacular wildflowers of Western Australia
- Enjoy the Valley of the Giants and the Tree Top Walk
- Visit Banksia Farm and enjoy a bushland tour with a local guide
- Sample wines at Margaret River
- Visit Gardening Australia's Josh Byrne's private home and garden
- See the Paul Bangay designed Secret Garden
- Visit private gardens not normally open to the public

Included

Services of a Botanical Guide and experienced Coach Captain

Airport transfers on first and last day of tour

18 Meals - 9 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch and 8 Dinners

Travel in a small group aboard a luxury vehicle with room to spread out
2 night stays in centrally located, 4-5 star hotels



Visit Josh Byrne Private Garden



Gardening author and presenter Josh Byrne is well known as the WA host of ABC TV's Gardening Australia.

Day 1. Arrive Perth and Sightseeing

Guests are met on arrival at Perth Airport at 1.00pm. Take a city tour, including Kings Park with 400 hectares of delightful gardens with more than 1,700 native species. Enjoy a Welcome Dinner this evening.

Stay: Perth, Novotel Langley or similar

Daily Meals Included: Dinner

Day 2. Geraldton and Wildflower Country

This morning we journey to Bindoon to visit a native wildflower farm, and afterwards visit the historical town of New Norcia, first settled in 1846 by the Benedictine monks. Visit the renowned Abbey and museum with its antique collection. In the afternoon, travel to Geraldton with wildflower viewing stops where possible.

Stay: Two Nights: Geraldton, Broadwater Mariner Resort or similar

Daily Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner

Day 3. Wildflower Experience

Explore the local area and discover the amazing diversity of wildflowers in season.

Daily Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner

Day 4. Nambung National Park and Pinnacles

Enjoy the trip south along the coast to Leeman and Cervantes, before arriving at Nambung National Park. Marvel at ancient limestone pillars in the Pinnacles Desert, then travel back to Fremantle.

Stay: Two Nights: Fremantle, The Esplanade Hotel or similar

Daily Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner

Day 5. Fremantle

This morning visit Gardening Australia's Josh Byrne's private home and garden in Fremantle. Josh is a familiar face to Botanica and co-owner and founder, Judy Vanrenen presented Josh with his Horticultural Media award in 2014 for Environmental Gardening. Afterwards enjoy a guided tour of the magnificent grounds of the University of WA. Enjoy a free afternoon to wander the historic harbourside township of Fremantle.

Daily Meals Included: Breakfast

Day 6. Albany

Today we drive to the town of Albany passing through Williams and stopping at the Rose maze in Kojonup before arriving later this afternoon.

Stay: Two Nights: Albany, Dog Rock Hotel or similar

Daily Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner

Day 7. Albany Sightseeing, Mt Romance Bodycare Factory and Banksia Farm

Tour Albany. Later, visit the Mt Romance Bodycare Factory. Next, explore the wildflower wonderland of Banksia Farm on a guided tour with a resident expert.

Daily Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Day 8. Karri Timber Forests and Valley of the Giants Tree Top Walk

Today, head to Gloucester National Park and see the 60-metre tall Gloucester Tree close up on the Valley of the Giants Tree Top walk.

Stay: Two Nights: Margaret River, Quality Inn or similar

Daily Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner

Day 9. Margaret River Gardens

Today we visit a number of private gardens including the magnificent Paul Bangay designed Secret Garden, followed by a private garden in the same area. This afternoon visit Voyager Estate Winery and its grand Cape Dutch 'werf' garden featuring 1,600 roses.

Daily Meals Included: Breakfast and Dinner

Day 10. Orondo Garden

This morning travel to Dwellingup and the grand Orondo Farm Garden - made up of gardens, orchards and vineyards. After a guided tour be transferred to Perth airport at 3.30pm or alternatively Perth Novotel Hotel at 4.30pm, where your journey concludes.

Tour Notes

The facilities we have chosen in regional areas are the best possible available however, accommodation, service and dining options are limited Itinerary and inclusions are subject to change

Prices are land only. Flights not included

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