MID WEST WILDFLOWER TOUR

Start: Perth 03 September 2026 **Duration:** 10-Days

Ends: Perth 12 September 2026 **Passengers:** Max. 10 Passengers

Mid West Wildflowers: Diversity, Colour & Country

Australia is recognised as one of the world's great botanical hotspots, and the Mid West of Western Australia is a real highlight for anyone who enjoys wildflowers. After the winter rains, the landscape comes alive with an extraordinary variety of plants in bloom, turning the ancient outback into a colourful, constantly changing scene.

This remarkable diversity is closely linked to the great age of the Western Australian landmass. As one of the oldest and least disturbed landscapes on Earth, it has allowed ancient plant groups to persist, while also giving rise to many specialised and locally endemic species, each adapted to the region's unique soils and conditions.

This tour has been thoughtfully timed and designed to show you the best of the Mid West wildflowers at their peak. We travel through a wonderful mix of landscapes, from the wheatbelt farmlands to the dramatic gorges of Kalbarri National Park, and the well-known sand plains of Eneabba, Badgingarra and Lesueur National Park, each with its own distinctive plant life.

Throughout the tour, you'll be accompanied by an experienced naturalist guide with a strong knowledge of Western Australia's flora. The pace is relaxed, with plenty of time to stop, look closely, ask questions and enjoy the experience. There's also time set aside for photography, so you can linger over favourite plants and capture the beauty of the landscapes along the way.

Itinerary Highlights:

- Travel Western Australia's world-famous Wildflower Way, following the Mid West's peak wildflower season.
- Dalwallinu – the first stop on the Wildflower Way, renowned for its extraordinary diversity of wattles (acacias), with more species recorded here than anywhere else.
- Coalseam Conservation Park – a true botanical hotspot, showcasing a wonderful mix of annual and perennial wildflowers in a dramatic landscape.
- Eneabba Wildflower Drive – home to one of Western Australia's largest and most spectacular wildflower displays.
- Kalbarri – explore stunning gorges and enjoy coastal wildflowers in beautiful natural settings.
- Northern Kwongan – discover the famous sandplain heath, often carpeted with sweeping displays of brilliantly coloured blooms.
- Lesueur National Park – one of Australia's richest botanical areas, with over 800 plant species recorded.

Itineray Outline:

Day	1	Perth to Dalwallinu via the wheatbelt
Day	2	Dalwallinu – first town on Western Australia's world-famous Wildflower Way, renowned for its remarkable wattle diversity
Day	3	Dalwallinu to Dongara – roadside wildflowers and seasonal floral displays
Day	4	Dongara – Coalseam Conservation Park, a Mid West botanical hotspot
Day	5	Dongara to Eneabba to Geraldton – sandplain wildflowers and visit to Western Flora
Day	6	Geraldton to Kalbarri – coastal gorges and wildflowers
Day	7	Kalbarri National Park – species-rich heathlands, endemics and orchids
Day	8	Kalbarri to Cervantes – Northern Kwongan sandplains and mass wildflower displays
Day	9	Cervantes – Lesueur National Park, one of the world's richest botanical areas
Day	10	Cervantes to Perth via Nambung National Park and the Pinnacles Desert

Itinerary

Day 1 – Perth to Dalwallinu

We depart Perth at 7:30 am, travelling through Toodyay, Goomalling and Wongan Hills as we journey through the Wheatbelt to Dalwallinu, the first town on Western Australia's world-famous Wildflower Way. Along the way, we'll begin to see our first seasonal blooms.
Accommodation: Motel Dalwallinu LD

Day 2 – Dalwallinu

Today, we explore the wildflowers of the Dalwallinu region, renowned for having the greatest diversity of wattles (acacias) anywhere in the world. Around 185 species occur within a 100-kilometre radius. The day is unhurried, with time to observe, photograph and enjoy the variety of flowering plants at a relaxed pace.
Accommodation: Motel Dalwallinu BLD

Day 3 – Dalwallinu to Dongara

This morning, we continue north toward the coastal town of Dongara. Throughout the day, we'll make frequent stops to look at and photograph wildflowers growing along roadside verges and in surrounding bushland—often among the most rewarding places to find blooms.
Accommodation: Dongara Hotel BLD

Day 4 – Dongara to Coalseam Nature Reserve and return

Today we explore Coalseam Conservation Park, well known for its impressive annual wildflower displays. The park's exceptional diversity of annuals and perennials reflects its range of habitats, transitioning from sand plains to more arid country.
Accommodation: Dongara Hotel BLD

Day 5 – Dongara to Eneabba to Geraldton

Leaving Dongara, we travel south through the mineral sands region around Eneabba, one of Western Australia's premier wildflower areas. There will be time to visit Western Flora, offering further opportunities to explore the region's rich plant life, before continuing on to Geraldton.
Accommodation: Hotel Geraldton BLD

Day 6 – Geraldton to Kalbarri

This morning we travel north to Kalbarri via the coastal road. There is plenty of time today to visit coastal gorges and enjoy walking among wildflowers in striking natural settings.
Accommodation: Motel Kalbarri: BLD

Day 7 – Kalbarri National Park

We rise early to make the most of our day in Kalbarri National Park, famous for its spectacular wildflowers. Species-rich heathlands provide colourful displays of gold and orange banksias, red, white and yellow grevilleas, kangaroo paws, feather-flowers and grey smoke bushes.
There are 21 plant species unique to this area, and we hope to find regional specialties such as the Kalbarri catspaw, often seen in recently burnt areas. We also hope to see several orchids, including the Kalbarri spider orchid and Murchison hammer orchid.
Accommodation: Motel Kalbarri BLD

Day 8 – Kalbarri to Cervantes

Today, we begin our journey south. As we travel through farmland, roadside verges offer a wide range of plants and colours. South of Dongara, we enter the Northern Kwongan, a sandplain heath supporting sweeping carpets of brightly coloured flowers.
Wildflowers here may include Dryandra, propeller banksia, painted and scarlet feather-flowers, blue smoke bush and black-and-yellow kangaroo paws, with time along the way to stop and explore.
Accommodation: Motel Cervantes BLD

Day 9 – Cervantes and Lesueur National Park

Today, we explore Lesueur National Park, one of the world's richest areas for plant diversity. The park encompasses a variety of landscapes and soil types, from salt lakes in the west to laterite ridges in the east. More than 800 plant species have been recorded here, including nine found nowhere else. While something is always flowering, September and October see the park erupt into colour, with species ranging from Lechenaultias to Melaleucas.
Accommodation: Motel Cervantes BLD

Day 10 – Cervantes to Perth

This morning we will visit Nambung National Park and the remarkable Pinnacles Desert, where thousands of limestone pinnacles rise from shifting yellow sands. After lunch, we continue south along the coast, returning to Perth by late afternoon. BL

NOTE: The above itinerary may be varied according to conditions and advice at the time.

Tour Cost:

Tour:	$7,425.00 per person
Single Supplement:	$ 1,436.00per person

Tour Payments:

Deposit:	At time of booking $,1,250.00 per person
Final Payment:	On or before 06 June 2026

Note: Deposit is non-refundable. The final payment is non-refundable if cancelled within 30 days of the departure date. Travel Insurance covering all payments is available and is strongly recommended.

Included

- Tour leader / driver;
- Coates Naturalist leader;
- Accommodation - twin share with private facilities in hotels and motels;
- Meals as per itinerary;
- Morning tea each day;
- Fresh fruit on board daily;
- All national park entrance fees;
- Kalbarri Wildflower Display entrance fee.

Not Included

- Alcoholic & carbonated drinks;
- Travel insurance (very strongly recommended);
- Travel expenses to Newman and from Perth;
- Pre and post tour accommodation;
- All other private expenses;
- Other entrance fees or activity costs not listed.

Tour Information

Tour Leader / Driver: TBA
Naturalist Guide: TBA

Vehicle & Equipment:

Travel will be in a 12-seater, comfortable, air-conditioned bus with forward-facing, seat-belted seats throughout. The vehicle is well-suited to relaxed touring and frequent short stops for wildlife and wildflower viewing.

Accommodation:

Accommodation is in twin-share rooms at hotels or motels, all with ensuite facilities.
Single rooms are available on request and subject to a single supplement.

Meals:

Meals are included as outlined in the itinerary: breakfast (B), lunch (L), dinner (D), along with morning tea. A generous supply of fresh fruit will also be available throughout the day.
Special dietary requirements can usually be accommodated with prior notice. Please contact the office if you have specific dietary needs, as a surcharge may apply in some cases.

Walking & Activity Level:

Walks are easy to moderate and always taken at a relaxed, unhurried pace, with frequent stops to observe wildflowers, birds and landscapes. Distances are generally short and on uneven or sandy ground. All walks are optional, and guests are welcome to choose how much or how little they wish to do on any given day.

Weather:

Days are usually mild, with daytime temperatures around the mid-20s°C. Evenings and early mornings can be cool, with minimum temperatures typically between 6 and 12 12°C. Light showers are possible.

Clothing:

A suggested packing list will be included in your Pre-Departure Information, which will be sent approximately one month before departure. In general, comfortable, casual clothing is recommended. Light shirts and T-shirts are suitable during the day, while warmer jumpers or jackets may be needed in the evenings. Sturdy, comfortable walking shoes are essential.

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