



CENTRAL WHEATBELT  
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# EASTERN WHEATBELT WILDFLOWER HOTSPOTS



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**MERREDIN:** **Merredin Peak** Ant, Donkey, Spider Orchids, wattles, gastrelorian, jam tree and sun-dews. Patches of everlasting on the bush walk. **Totadgin Conservation Park**, 14km south on the Bruce Rock Road has Spider, Blue Fairy, Pink Candy, Sun, Donkey, Crimson orchids, sundews, wattle, jam tree, grevillea, damperia, gastrelorian in bloom. Cnr **Talgomine & Merredin Chandler Road 25km north of Merredin** Spider, Blue Fairy, Donkey, Ant, Pink Fairy orchids and sundews starting to bloom. Ever-lasting blooming in patches, carpets to come. **Tamma Parkland** explore the walk trial around the park to discover the local flora and fauna. **Collgar Scenic Drive** follow the 70km drive taking in **Bulls Head Road** close to the windfarm where the roadside has numerous Orchids out. Continue onto **Scott Road (Merredin's Flora Road)** where 176 different species have been recorded.

**KELLERBERRIN:** Kellerberrin Hill offers great views over the town and lovely wildflower spot in season. Follow the flowers along the **Trayning / Bencubbin Road to Durokoppin Reserve**. This 1500 acre reserve of woodland, heath and mallee supports a wide variety of flora and fauna. A colorful array of species, tea trees, wattle and grevillea.

**TAMMIN:** **Charles Gardner Reserve**, an area of 600 hectares of natural vegetation 14kms south of Tammin. It contains a wide variety of wildflowers and understory. **Yorkrakine Rock** situated 26kms north of Tammin is a solid granite outcrop. A strip of native flora surrounds the outcrops which is one of the largest of its kind in WA.

**CUNDERDIN:** Cunderdin Hill offers great views over town, a great spot for everlasting and a variety of wildflowers. **Bulgin Rock Reserve** 18kms west of town is a great spot for a picnic and wildflower exploring.

**WESTONIA:** Follow the **Woodlands & Wildflowers Heritage Walk** around Westonia to see number of species. Explore **Sandford Rocks** (on Boodarockin Rd) 14km from town a popular birdwatching and wildflower area. **Bodallin soak** has a Pink Candy, Spider, Ant, Donkey Orchids and everlasting blooming.

**SOUTHERN CROSS:** Visit the Shire of Yilgarn administration office to grab a copy of the Yilgarn wildflower brochure and follow their wildflower drive. The Great Eastern Highway between Southern Cross and Coolgardie has a number of reserves to explore.

## TOURS

**Njaki Njaki Aboriginal Cultural Tours** at Merredin Peak, Mick Hayden \$70 T: 0407 984 470  
**Collgar Scenic Drive Tagalong Tour** - Sunday 22 September, 1pm RSVP to Stephen Pickersgill, T: 0408 413 980 or Roy Butler T: 0478 640 155.

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**DOWERIN:** At **Tin Dog Creek Reserve** there's an array of birdlife and flora. When travelling to Wyalkatchem, **Namelcatchem Reserve** on 3 corners of Minnivale—Cunderdin intersection is a great spot to explore, before heading to Historic **Minnivale townsite** and cemetery.

**WYALKATCHEM:** Some great flowering reserves, including **Walk-A-Wyal Trail**, **Wyalkatchem Reserve and Korrellocking Reserve**. Find rare orchids, sundew, everlasting and fauna including Echidnas, Dunnarts, Blue Breasted & Red-Capped Robins.

**TRAYNING:** At **Billyacatting Reserve** explore the two marked walk trails. White flowered sun-dews (*Drosera* sp.) insect eating plants at the damp base of the rocks. The Trayning Gnamma Holes located north of Trayning on Bencubbin Road find orchids including spiders, donkeys and fairy.

**NUNGARIN:** Explore **Eaglestone Rock, Talgomine Reserve and Danberrin Hill** botanical walks and smell the fragrant Vanilla Bush (*Grevillea* sp.) and *Kunzea pulchella* splashing vivid colours of red. Visit the National Trust heritage listed **Mangowine Homestead** 14kms north.

**WESTONIA TO ELACHBUTTING ROCK:** A prominent landmark with a colourful 'wave formation', a 30m tunnel called Monty's Pass and 'Kings Cave'. Explore the base of the eastside of the rock for Donkey Orchids and other shade lovers.

**BENCUBBIN:** Wattles (*Acacia*) bursting out in brilliant yellow blooms and a native foxglove(*pityrodias*) on the **Mukinbudin-Bencubbin Road**. At **Marshall Rock** the walk trails offer spectacular views.

**MUKINBUDIN TO BONNIE ROCK:** See Acacia, Senna, Hakea, Quandongs and purple Dampiera. On and around the rocks at **Wattoning, Beringbooding and Weira Reserve** purple Calytrix, yellow Hibbertia and red flowering Kunzea. At **Beringbooding Rock** 72km north east of Mukinbudin there are pink tea tree, Acacia's, Grevillea's Hakea's, Calothamnus, Eromophila, Cassia, Quandongs, Sandalwood and native orchids.

**BEACON & BILLIBURNING:** Orchids including spider and blue fairy can be found around the granites including **Datjoin Rock and Billiburning Rock**. The roadsides around Beacon are starting to look beautiful with pink Hakeas and Grevilleas making a show amongst the yellows of the various Acacia species. Gorgeous blue Dampiera, Native Fox Glove, Quandongs and Sandalwood fruiting, and some Mallees flowering too.

**KOORDA:** Colourful tall dark mauve *Verticordia* sp. on roadsides close to Koorda. Call into the Koorda Community Resource Centre (Mon-Fri) for locations and view the wildflower interpretation display. Visit **Mollerin Rock, Newcarlbeon Rocks & Koorda Native Flora Reserve** enjoy a picnic or camp out amongst Wheatbelt bushland.

## TOURS

**Beacon Wildflower Bus Tour** - Monday 16 September 9:30am - 2pm \$60pp [www.trybooking.com/CTSTB](http://www.trybooking.com/CTSTB)

**Westonia Wildflower Tour** - Wednesday 11 & 18 September 12:30pm FREE Bookings essential  
T: 9046 7063

# PATHWAYS TO WAVE ROCK

**QUAIRADING:** Lots of Orchid varieties spotted at the Golf course adjoining **Nookaminnie Rock**.

**Quairading Nature Reserve** is also a lovely spot in wildflower season.

**KWOLYIN:** At **Kwolyin Reserve** take the walk trails around the old townsite and **Coarin Rock** where you can find orchids, flowering annuals and Sandalwood. **Kokerbin Rock** is 9km north of Kwolyin campsite and well worth the climb to the top during wildflower season.

**BRUCE ROCK:** At **Bruce's Rock** there are orchids at the reserve. **Jura Wildflower Drive** starts at **Quarry Road**, 2km north of town is a colorful drive trail in season.

**NAREMBEEN:** **Hidden Hollow, Twine Reserve, Roe Dam and Anderson Rock Reserve** are the ideal spot to find orchids and other wildflowers in bloom. Check out the new **Wadderin Information Centre and Walk Trail** to the north of town, follow the Mallee Fowl or Woylie walk trails for a gentle walk through the eucalypt woodlands and mallee shrublands.

**CORRIGIN:** In the town visit **Corrigin Rock** and the cemetery bushland or wander in bushland reserves. Caladenia Orchids range from tall stark white Spiders, green Mantis, Clowns, a myriad of wispy spiders, pink fairies and Cowslips. Strongly scented white custard powder Grevilleas, spiky yellow Dryanda Purdieana, climbing white and yellow Drosera Sun-dews, massed yellow stars on Phebalium filiferum shrubs in bloom, **Corrigin Wildflower Drive** 5km west of town opposite the Corrigin Dog Cemetery. The drive is a wide, graded gravel track roughly 4.1km long.

**KONDININ:** **Yeerakine Rock** (Sloan Road 12km from Kondinin) has orchids out now and more to come. Some to look out for include the Donkey Orchid, Pink Candy Orchid as well as the Broom Milkwort. **Bendering and North Karlgarin Reserves** are starting to flower with Acacia, Hakeas, Grevilleas and Phebalium.

**HYDEN/WAVE ROCK:** Follow the walk trails around **Wave Rock** where the bush is starting to bloom. The Hippo's Yawn loop takes you through bushland where you will see Acacia, Hakea, Grevillea, Callistemon and numerous orchid species.

**KULIN:** **Hopkins Nature Reserve** is an important flora conservation area. **North Jitarning Nature Reserve** is perfect to walk through and experience many different vegetation areas. The **Macrocarpa Walk Trail** located 1km west of Kulin is a good spot for seasonal wildflowers.

**LAKE GRACE:** Known for its western mallee, noted biologically for its diverse range of flora and high number of indigenous plant groups, including Grevillea, Hakea, Eucalypts and Acacia. Within the reserves and roadsides you will find many other beautiful flowering shrubs and trees. **Jam Patch** a popular free campsite 19km north of Lake Grace there are sugar, donkey and spider Orchids currently in bloom. **Tarin Rock Reserve** have pretty pink Cloanthus and Grevillea excelsior along roadside.

## TOURS

**Wadderin Wildlife Sanctuary Narembeen**, Saturday Night Tours, 1.5 hrs, book online through Try-booking



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