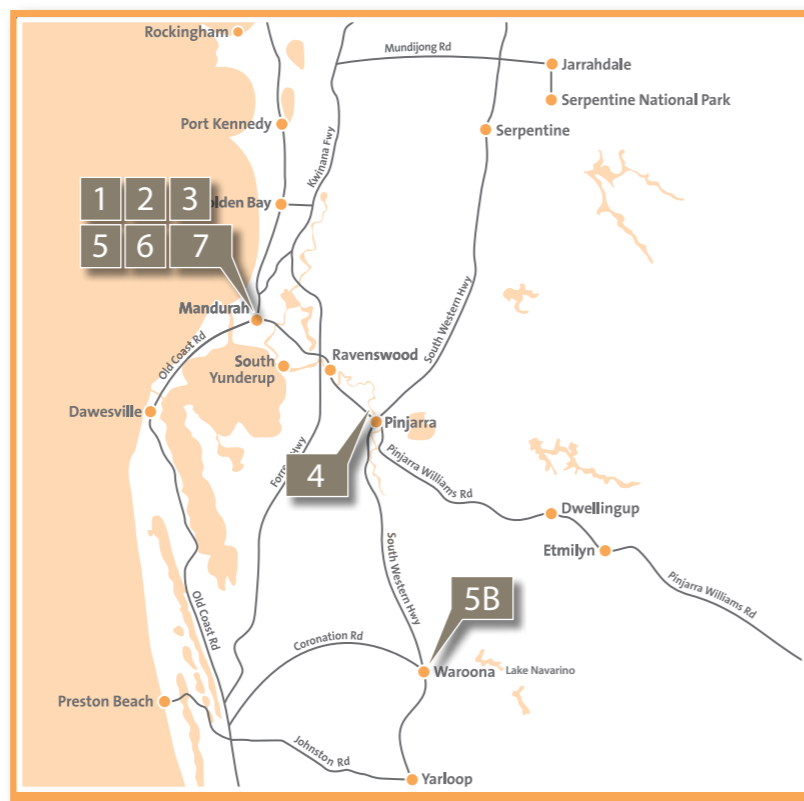


# Journey 2: Family Weekend



## 1 MANDURAH STAY

Stay overnight in one of the Mandurah Ocean Marina Chalets, close to restaurants, the cinema and the beach. Or, for a very different view, hire some moving accommodation from Dolphin Houseboats and spend the night on the beautiful estuary waters.

## 2 MARINA BREAKFAST

Let the fresh seabreeze wake you up as you take a morning stroll. Choose breakfast from a wide array of cafés and restaurants. Afterwards, explore the colourful Mandjar Markets and discover the diverse arts and crafts of the region. Let the kids loose at the playground on the foreshore.

## 3 DOLPHIN CRUISE

Watch for Bottlenose dolphins surfing the bow waves on a dolphin cruise with Mandurah Cruises. At lunchtime, tear open a packet of fish and chips. Work off lunch with bikes from Mandurah Boat and Bike Hire – there are excellent cycle maps to guide you. Alternatively, enjoy the eastern foreshore with a barbecue – buy all you need at the local supermarket within a short walking distance.

## 4 PEEL ZOO

Visit the Peel Zoo for a hands-on native animal experience. Nestled into a fertile wetland beside the Murray River, it's a beautiful place with over 150 animals, where you can hold a snake, pat an emu, or feed a kangaroo. It's open 10am–4pm weekdays and 9am–5pm weekends and public holidays.

## 5 WATER FUN

Enjoy the afternoon at the Just 4 Fun Aqua Park on Mandurah's western foreshore, with great water activities for every age group, including toddlers. Navigate a pontoon barge around the estuary for a different perspective. Fish from the rock wall or the fishing platforms in the Dawesville Channel between the Peel-Harvey Estuary and the Indian Ocean for seasonal tailor, silver bream, herring or King George whiting.

## 5B WAROONA

If you'd like a scenic drive, take the kids south to Waroona and let them try their hand at riding a horse or milking a cow at The Cream Shed. Stop on the way to see the thrombolites, one of the earliest forms of life, on the sandy shores of Lake Clifton.

## 6 FORESHORE DINNER

Select from one of the many family-friendly restaurants along Mandurah's vibrant foreshore. The Golden Cloud Spur has a fun area, so the kids won't lose a minute of play time while their parents relax.

## 7 MOVIE OR A SHOW

It's worth checking what big productions might be playing at the glorious Mandurah Performing Arts Centre overlooking Mandjar Bay. And of course there's always something fun playing at the cinema complex right next door.



Peel Zoo, Pinjarra

# More Family Time

- Explore the 1,000-metre hedge maze at Abingdon Miniature Village, Barragup.
- Head to Ravenswood to try out the Aqua Bubble, or hire some canoes or paddleboats.
- Net Mandurah's famous Blue Manna crabs in the tranquil waters of the Peel-Harvey Estuary (November to April).
- Let the children enjoy the Mandurah Skate Park.
- Head to King's Carnival on the western foreshore for some fun and games and perhaps a ride on the ferris wheel for a unique view of Mandurah.
- Listen to folk, roots and blues music among the trees at the annual Fairbridge Festival.
- Take a Ghost Walk in Jarrahdale.
- Enjoy a 5-course meal on the Etmilyn Diner train on Saturday nights and selected Friday nights. Your meal is cooked onboard by woodstove.
- Stay at one of the region's many caravan parks or camping grounds.