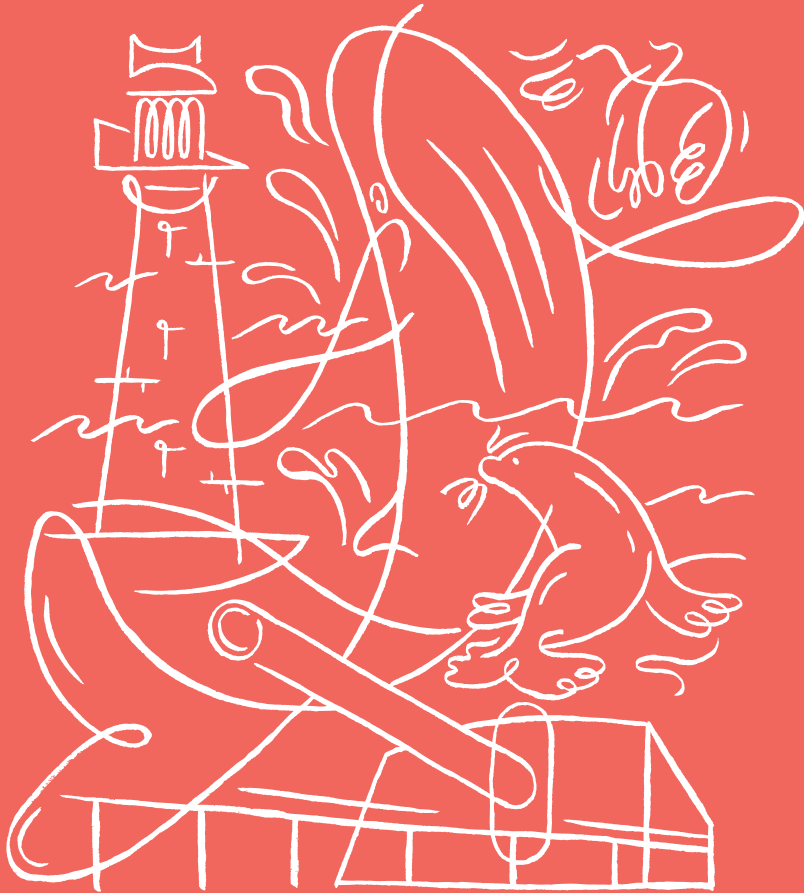


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**Rottnest Island
Holiday Activities Programme**

Sunday 25th September to Saturday 8th October 2016



Enjoy and Explore Rottnest Island (Wadjemup)

School holidays on Rottnest Island bring more excitement for everyone, and this holiday programme is no different with the regular favourite fun activities offered by the Rottnest Voluntary Guides reflecting our Spring theme.

We offer a number of activities and tours to suit the whole family, whether you're an animal lover or an adventure seeker, all activities and tours are delivered in an entertaining way so you will have a blast while learning about this fascinating Island and its beautiful natural environment.

Every day you can enjoy the sights of the Island by bike or bus, or take a dip in the clear blue waters of many bays within the Reserve. Rottnest Island has a huge array of unique wildlife including the much loved Quokkas and the largely unknown Sea Monkeys who live out in the salt lakes.

For more information about what Rottnest has to offer, use this holiday activities programme in conjunction with "This Week" and "The Spring Essentials Guide", both available at the Visitor Centre and Rottnest Island Pedal & Flipper.



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Wadjemup season

We are currently in the transition from Djilba to Kambarang . . .

DJILBA – August/ September – Winter & Spring

Djilba is the time when the days become warmer, rain becomes less frequent and the winds begin to ease as they cross the coast. The Kolboko (Coastal Pigface) begins to flower. Its succulent leaves are a good source of water for the Quokka, whose young are starting to emerge from their pouches.

Djilba is the breeding season for Yoorn (Bobtail lizard) and the magnificent Osprey. From the coast Mamong (whales) can be seen as their migration takes them south. This can also be a time when whale strandings occur and people gathered to share in the opportunistic availability of food and resources.



KAMBARANG – October/ November – Spring

Kambarang is recognised by a definite warming trend accompanied by longer dry periods and fewer cold fronts across the coast. Scattered Noongar groups began moving back towards the coast. This time, when small family parties linked to form larger groups, was also known as man-ga (nesting season).



On Wadjemup Kambarang is the time when the Maro (Rottneest Island Pine) and the Moonah (Rottneest Island Tea Tree) are all in full bloom.

Rainbow bee-eater birds arrive from their journey from the tropical north to take advantage of the increasing number of insects appearing in synchronisation with the flowering season.

Kambarang also brought a natural increase in terrestrial animals, including the Goya (edible frogs) and many species of birds.

Some great free tours and activities by

The Rottnest Voluntary Guides Association (RVGA) presents a range of guided activities and tours that are FREE to attend. Each tour will enrich your holiday experience and allow you to discover a little more about Rottnest Island.

BEACH DISCOVERY

All Ages

Ever wondered about the things that wash up on our beaches by the retreating waves? Come beachcombing and search for the secrets on the beach. FREE **7** **11**

BICKLEY BATTERY WALK

All Ages

Explore the remnants of Coastal Defence systems installed during WWII and see the famous gun barrel and Kingstown Barracks. FREE **10**



BIRDS OF ROTTNEST All Ages

Come along on an enjoyable morning walk and spot some of Rottnest Island's amazing bird life (binoculars available). Learn more about our feathered friends, their habitats and adaptations. FREE **1**

SECRETS OF THE LAKES

Ages 12yrs+

The Rottnest Voluntary Guides will join you on a walk around Herschel Lake and Lake Baghdad. This is a commentated walk with information on all aspects of the environment, the geomorphology, geology, aboriginal involvement on Wadjemup and the provision of water and power services. The Walk takes two to two and half hours and ends in Geordie Bay. Take the Walk and really get to know the Secrets of the Lakes.

Bring your water, hat, sunnies and suntan lotion along with walking shoes and have a fantastic experience (requires a medium level of fitness). FREE **4**



our Rottnest Voluntary Guides

PIRATE PETE *Ages 10 and under*

Learn about beach mysteries from Pirate Pete and be rewarded with treasure when you find the Treasure Chest! Be sure to bring your mateys! FREE **7**



QUOKKA WALK *All Ages*

Discover the famous marsupial unique to Rottnest Island, the Quokka. Learn about the iconic and mysterious animal and watch them in their natural habitat. FREE **1**



REEFS & WRECKS WALK

All Ages

Hear alluring tales of shipwrecks and sailors on this scenic walk to Bathurst Lighthouse. See the boathouse and replica pilot boat along the way. FREE **1**

SETTLEMENT HISTORY WALK *All Ages*

See where gaolers and ship pilots lived and worked. Learn about how Rottnest became an Aboriginal prison in 1838. FREE **1**

What to bring: Water bottle, hat, sunglasses, protection from the elements and closed-in shoes.

VLAMINGH WALK *All Ages*

Enjoy stunning views from lookouts and lakes at the heart of the Island and learn about the remarkable agriculture carried out by Rottnest's early inhabitants. FREE **1**

YARNS FOR YOUNGSTERS

All Ages

Enjoy some tales about 'Okka the Quokka' and his wildlife friends. An educational and entertaining activity for the young and young at heart. FREE **5 11**

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Explore Rottneest

ROTTNEST ISLAND HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES PROGRAMME

	Sunday 25 Sept & 2 Oct	Monday 26 Sept & 3 Oct	Tuesday 27 Sept & 4 Oct	Wednesday 28 Sept & 5 Oct
8:00AM		Birds of Rottneest (Meeting Post)	Birds of Rottneest (Meeting Post)	
9:15AM		Yarns for Youngsters (Museum Deck)	Yarns for Youngsters (Museum Deck)	
9:30AM				
10:00AM			Secrets of the Lakes (Main Bus Stop)	
10:00AM		Beach Discovery (Thomson Bay Beach Shelter)	Beach Discovery (Geordie Bay Beach Shelter)	(Thomson Bay Beach Shelter)
11:00AM	Reefs and Wrecks Walk (Meeting Post)	Vlamingh Walk (Meeting Post)	Reefs and Wrecks Walk (Meeting Post)	
11:15AM		Bickley Battery Walk (Gun Barrel @ Kingstown Barracks)		(Gun Barrel @ Kingstown Barracks)
1:00PM to 3:00PM	Ticket sales (Settlement Shopping Mall)	Ticket sales (Settlement Shopping Mall)	Ticket sales (Settlement Shopping Mall)	(Settlement Shopping Mall)
1:00PM		Quokka Walk (Meeting Post)	Quokka Walk (Meeting Post)	
2:00PM	Settlement History Walk (Meeting Post)	Settlement History Walk (Meeting Post)	Settlement History Walk (Meeting Post)	Settlement History Walk (Meeting Post)
2:15PM	Quokka Walk (Meeting Post)	Quokka Walk (Meeting Post)	Quokka Walk (Meeting Post)	
3:15PM		Yarns for Youngsters (Geordie Bay Mall)	Yarns for Youngsters (Geordie Bay Mall)	
5:20PM				West
7:00PM			Ghosts, Myths and Legends (Lomas Cottage)	
8:00PM	Night Sky Tour (Meeting Post)	Night Sky Tour (Geordie Store)		

The Meeting Post is adjacent to the Salt Store. For locations please refer to location map at back of programme.



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Fee payable. Bookings essential – \$15 Adults
\$5 Children 4-16. Tickets on sale in the Mall 1-3 pm
Sunday thru Wednesday

Regular RVGA tours – FREE

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Yarns for Youngsters (Museum Deck)	Yarns for Youngsters (Museum Deck)		
		Pirate Pete (Thomson Bay Beach Shelter)	
	Secrets of the Lakes (Main Bus Stop)		
Beach Discovery (Thomson Bay Beach Shelter)	Beach Discovery (Geordie Bay Beach Shelter)		
Vlamingh Walk (Meeting Post)	Reefs and Wrecks Walk (Meeting Post)	Reefs and Wrecks Walk (Meeting Post)	Vlamingh Walk (Meeting Post)
Bickley Battery Walk (Barrel @ Kingstown Barracks)			
Ticket sales (Settlement Shopping Mall)	Ticket sales (Settlement Shopping Mall)		
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Yarns for Youngsters (Geordie Bay Mall)	Yarns for Youngsters (Geordie Bay Mall)		
End and Lighthouse Tour (Main Bus Stop)			
	Family Quiz Night (Country Club)		

Fee payable. Bookings essential – \$10 Adults
 \$5 Children 4-16. Tickets on sale in the Mall 1-3 pm
 Sunday thru Thursday

RVGA Holiday Guiding tours – FREE



Looking for something to do in the evening?

Wander the Thomson Bay Settlement and hear ghost stories, take in the sights of our night skies, enjoy a fun packed family quiz night or watch the sunset at West End... there's many options for you and your family.

FAMILY QUIZ NIGHT

Come and join a table or make up your own table of eight for this popular family event. Loads of fun for the family and the chance to win some great prizes!

Cost: \$10 Adults, \$5 Child. *Bookings are essential and can be made on Sun-Wed between 1:00-3:00pm from the Shopping Mall. Be quick as this activity sells out quickly. **9**

WEST END AND LIGHTHOUSE TOUR

See the rugged beauty of the West End at sunset and visit Wadjemup Lighthouse on the return journey.

Cost: \$15 Adults, \$5 Child.
*Bookings are essential and can be made on Sun-Wed between 1:00-3:00pm from the Settlement Shopping Mall. Be quick as this activity sells out quickly. **4**



GHOSTS, MYTHS & LEGENDS


Bring the family along to hear some thrilling tales about many of Rottnest Island's mysterious past identities. FREE. **8**

NIGHT SKY TOUR

A pleasant evening walk to view and learn about the planets and stars, and to hear about the wonders of the night sky. Bring a torch if you have one. FREE. **1 11**





 For locations please refer to location map



To Geordie Bay
(see inset)

9 Country Club

Thomson Bay North

Lomas Cottage 8

7 Thomson Bay Beach Shelter

Settlement Shopping Mall

Visitor Centre

Main Jetty

Museum Deck 5 6

1 2 Lawn in front of the Salt Store

Main Bus Stop 4

3 Lawn next to Dôme Cafe

Garden Lake

Thomson Bay South

Meeting Post
(Salt Store)

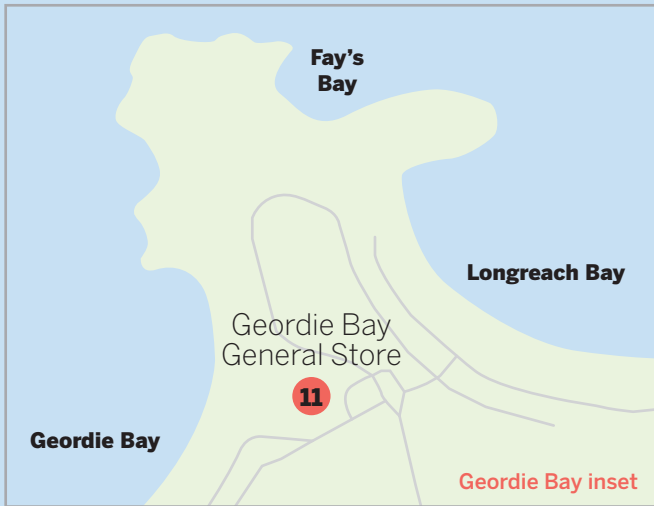
Government House Lake

Airport



Rottnest Island Settlement

Activity Locations

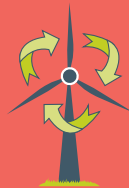


Essential information for holiday activities

- Please take note of booking and payment requirements for some activities.
- Please bring your receipt for **paid** activities to the activity. This becomes your ticket for participation.
- Make sure you are at the specified meeting point on time. If in doubt, please go to the **Visitor Centre**.
- Make sure appropriate clothing is worn for the activity – including hat, sunscreen, wet weather gear, sensible closed-in shoes and a water bottle to keep yourself hydrated!
- **A parent/guardian or a supervising and responsible sibling over the age of 16 is required with all children under the age of 10.**
- Activities may be cancelled if minimum numbers are not reached or weather conditions are adverse. In these circumstances RIA will contact you on the contact number provided at the time of booking. Refunds will be issued.

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