

BROOME (WESTERN AUSTRALIA), AUSTRALIA

An old pearling capital with Wild West outback vibes, Middle Eastern desertscapes, and oriental charms. 2000km from any city (of any scale), Broome is a melting pot of cultures, thanks to the legacy of pearling that saw the city achieve prominence in the 19th and early 20th Centuries

KEY INFO

Currency: Australian Dollar (1 USD = 1.5 AUD)Languages: EnglishPopulation: 14,660 (2,667,000 WA)Drive on the: LeftEmergency #: 000Pharmacy: ChinatovDrinking water: Tap water is drinkableProtection: Bug SprTime Zone: GMT+8Wi-Fi: 'Chinαtown FID Requirements: Photo IDPost Office: Paspale

Languages: English Drive on the: Left Pharmacy: Chinatown Pharmacy, Paspaley Plaza ([^]) Protection: Bug Spray & SPF 30+ Wi-Fi: 'Chinαtown Free Wi-Fi' in Chinatown ([^]) Post Office: Paspaley Plaza, Short St, WA 6725 ([^])

PORT LOCATION

Ships dock at deep water port jetty, 7.5km south of Broome. Walking is not permitted, therefore shuttle buses operate between the pier and Napier Terrace in Broome Chinatown

Getting Around: The Broome Explorer Bus is one of the easiest ways to see the town and nearby attractions. A single ticket costs \$4.50, or a 24-hour pass costs \$15. The 24 hour pass entitles you to free perks at select partners.

For taxis, dial 131 008 (A Broome Taxis), or 08 9192 5252 (A Chinatown Taxis). <u>www.bebus.com.au/timetables</u> - for bus timetable and route map **Tourist Bus:** Broome doesn't have a dedicated tourist bus, but the Broome Explorer route works well **Port Facilities:** None - shuttle bus direct from Pier to Chinatown **Port Address:** Broome Port Jetty, 401 Port Dr., Minyirr, WA 6725

BROOME BEACHES

Cable Beach: The most famous of Broome's beaches, this 22km stretch of sand is the site of the beach camel rides. The most popular ride is at sunset, however on some days tours provide morning and afternoon options. In summer, keep an eye out for baby turtles hatching and crawling out of the sand. 24 hours | Free (Camel Ride \$) | 8-minute drive (6km from Shuttle Bus)

Reddell Beach: Named after Captain Reddell who was murdered by his mutinous crew here in 1899. A great example of Western Australia's red rock-and-sand beaches. Calm waters are perfect for swimming. Close to the port, but Shuttle Bus goes directly to Chinatown. 24 hours | Free | 12-minute drive (9km from Shuttle Bus)

Town Beach: The closest beach to the shuttle bus stop. Known for being a great viewing point for the 'Staircase to the Moon', when the full moon is out and the tides are low. Also the site of the early pearling pioneers' graveyard, and WWII Flying Boat wrecks can also be seen above the water at low tide. 24 hours | Free | 3-minute drive/25-minute walk (2km from Shuttle Bus)

BROOME IN A DAY HIGHLIGHTS

Chinatown: The heart of Broome Old Town is the Chinatown district. Find restaurants, shops and Short Street Gallery here. Dampier Terrace is the place for pearl shopping. 10-minute drive (7.5km from port) ^(*) <u>www.chinatownbroome.com.au</u>

Dino Footprints at Gantheaume Point: Travel back hundreds of millions of years to the time when dinosaurs trampled these lands. At extreme low tide, authentic dinosaur footprints can be clearly seen. And even if the tide is in, you can enjoy the replica prints on the waterfront. 24 hours | Free | 15-minute drive (12km from Shuttle Bus)

Broome Historical Museum: Situated in the 'Old Custom's House' from 1890s, this museum has told the story of Broome since it opened in 1981. See the old Sail Maker's Shed (built in 1897), as well as old divers' outfits and other relics from Broome's pearling heyday.

10a-1p | Entry \$12 | 3-minute drive/25-minute walk (2km from Shuttle Bus)

Jetty to Jetty Trail: This award-winning 3.4km trail takes you from Streeter's Jetty in Chinatown to the jetty at Town Beach. On the way, you'll visit 13 historical and cultural points of interest. Download the Jetty to Jetty app to hear elders of the Yawuru people talk about the sites as you visit them.



24 hours | Free | Route starts 8-minute walk (600m) from Shuttle Bus

Sun Pictures: The oldest outdoor cinema in operation anywhere in the world. Sun Pictures screened its first movie in 1916, and still has all of its old projectors, which you can see in their daily tour. Screenings are in the evening, and frequently 'enhanced' by ambient noise from the neighboring airport runway. 11a (daily tour) | Tour \$5 | 5-minute walk 350m from Shuttle Bus)

SSJG Heritage Centre: Connect with the social history of the Sisters of St John of God and Aboriginal people of the Kimberly at this convent site. The Old Convent houses the center's well-regarded Relationships Exhibition. There's also a Garden of Healing to visit.

9a-12p (Mon-Fri) | \$ unknown | 9-minute walk (650m from Shuttle Bus)

⊕ <u>www.ssjg.org.au</u>

EXPLORE BROOME APP

The Explore Broome app has been developed to help tourists discover the best of Broome and features audio, video, before-and-after sliders to see how the town has changed, as well as lots of useful information to help you make the most of your time in town. Download for <u>iPhone</u> or <u>Android</u>.