

# Golden Pipeline Heritage Trail



Explore the route of a really impressive engineering feat, C.Y.O'Connor's water pipeline, constructed over 100 years ago. As you travel through WA's Wheatbelt alongside this life-giving water supply, absorb yourself in its history.

## HOW TO GET HERE

### By Road

A good network of sealed roads offer four delightful self-drive trails to explore the Central Wheatbelt.

### By Train

TRANSWA daily Prospector passenger service between Perth and Kalgoorlie stopping in Meckering, Cunderdin, Tammin, Kellerberrin, Merredin and Southern Cross. The Merredin Link (Mon- Wed- Fri) runs between Perth and Merredin.

## Cunderdin & Meckering

*A progressive and thriving community....*

This small Wheatbelt town located on the Great Eastern Highway is home to the infamous Cunderdin No. 3 Pumping Station Museum. The name 'Cunderdin' is derived from a local Aboriginal language and translates to 'the place of many flowers' – an apt description especially during the springtime.

### CUNDERDIN MUSEUM

The Cunderdin Museum is situated in the former No. 3 Pumping Station for the Goldfields water pipeline, and is arguably the central attraction in the Shire. The museum is a fantastic tribute to the largely volunteer workforce that has toiled for the last few decades to bring the museum to its current form. Along with the ongoing support of the National Trust, the Cunderdin Museum is known as one of the best regional Museums in the state.



### CUNDERDIN HILL

It appears quite inconspicuous, but it's definitely worth taking the time to venture to the top of Cunderdin Hill- situated 1km south of the Great Eastern Highway. You'll be greeted by 360-degree panoramic views of the town and surrounding farmland – a view that gives a real sense of the open spaces and big sky. A great spot for seeking out seasonal wildflower and bird watching.

### YOUNDEGIN

Immerse yourself in our past by taking a trip to Youndegin- 19km south of Cunderdin along the Cunderdin-Quairading Road (then left on the Goldfields Road)- where you'll find the original police outpost. Built from stone and mud with a thatched roof, the outposts' answer to the modern day 'lock-up' was a nearby York Gum. Constable Allerly was the first Police Officer in charge of the post and the building represented the first settlement in the area.

### MECKERING

Only 22 km to the west of Cunderdin, this tiny community was the scene of a devastating earthquake (a rarity in Australia) in 1968 which destroyed houses and split the landscape with a deep fault line.

### MECKERING EARTHQUAKE HOUSE RUINS

The Meckering Earthquake registered 6.9 on the Richter scale, crushing many of the town's buildings and residential properties. 'Salisbury'- an old stone homestead built in 1904, 3km north of Meckering was flattened during the quake and the ruins give an eerie insight into the scale of the devastation experienced by the town.

### MECKERING EARTHQUAKE DISPLAY AND ROSE GARDEN

Realise the devastation of the 1968 Meckering Earthquake firsthand at this impressive display which includes a section of the damaged railway line, a mangled piece of the CY O'Connor water pipeline, photographs, statistics and information. Nearby is a beautiful tribute memorial rose garden.

### BULGIN ROCK

Bulgin Rock is the perfect place to absorb the rolling landscape and it's easy to see why it's been a popular picnic spot for more than 100 years. Early settlers chose to farm the land around the granite outcrop and the rock itself became a famous landmark in the area. It is a pleasant spot to unfurl the picnic rug and open a hamper.

### ACCOMMODATION

CUNDERDIN TOURIST PARK	TEL: 08 9635 1258
ETTAMOGAH PUB	TEL: 08 9635 1777
IRONBARK FARMSTAY	TEL: 0427 170 629
<b>TOURIST INFORMATION</b>	
SHIRE OF CUNDERDIN	TEL: 08 9635 2700
LUNDY AVENUE, CUNDERDIN WA 6407	
EMAIL: admin@cunderdin.wa.gov.au	
www.cunderdin.wa.gov.au	

## Tammin

*A Place for People, A Place for Community....*

Tammin is located 184kms east of Perth on the Great Eastern Highway. The Shire of Tammin including the settlements of Bungulla and Yorkrakine has a total population of 400 and covers an area of 1087km2, with its economy primarily agriculture based. It is a classic Wheatbelt town with huge concrete silos dominating the town's skyline, which were some of the first built in Australia.

### TAMMIN MEMORIAL PARK



### CHARLES GARDNER RESERVE

Located 14kms south of Tammin town site encompasses 600 hectares of natural vegetation. The reserve is ablaze with wildflowers during winter and spring and contains a variety of species.

### HUNT'S WELL

Hunt's Well is a historical site located a few kilometres south of Tammin. The explorer Charles Hunt camped in this area in 1864 and returned in 1865 with men to construct a well as part of a string of wells and soaks at intervals along the route to Southern Cross and Kalgoorlie Goldfields. It is worth stopping to see this important part of the state's history and a pleasant spot for a picnic.



ACCOMMODATION AND SERVICES	TOURIST INFORMATION
TAMMIN HOTEL	TEL: 08 9637 1777
TAMMIN ROADHOUSE (24hour) and SUPERMARKET	Tel: 08 9637 1200
<b>POWERED SITES &amp; ABUTIONS</b>	
Shire of Tammin	Tel: 08 9637 0300
<b>DUMP POINT: Donnan Park Oval Tammin- Wyalkatchem Road</b>	

### KADJININY KEP

The dual-purpose area hosts a hydrology model which is also being used as a performance space for shows and concerts. It is located within the town site behind the Town Hall. The hydrology model exhibits an educational model which aims to educate about the causes and effects of the salinity crisis facing much of WA's rural regions. It contains two sub-models, the first shows an undisturbed naturally vegetated environment where all systems are considered to be in equilibrium. The second model, depicted by extensive clearing, displays how ground water continues to rise, causing water logging of ground surfaces with salt laden water.

### YORKRAKINE ROCK

Situated 26kms north of Tammin, is a spectacular granite outcrop rising 341metres high and covering an area of 160 hectares. There is a well maintained access road to the picnic area and the base of the rock which is surrounded by largely untouched York Gum and Jam Tree Woodland- an important haven for flora and fauna.

### GRAIN SILOS

In 1960, Tammin was one of the first towns to have concrete silos installed. They held 13,600 tonnes of grain and now dominate the town's skyline. The 1996 extensions increased their capacity by 12,300 tonnes to 25,900 tonnes.

## Kellerberrin

*Life as rich as the landscape....*

Wheat and sheep farming and the manufacture of agricultural equipment are the main industries of Kellerberrin located in the centre of the Wheatbelt region, a comfortable two and half hours' drive from Perth.

### PIONEER MUSEUM

Truly unique, the Agricultural Hall was the first building in Kellerberrin in 1897. The hall itself has had a colourful life, also serving as a school, courthouse and Road Board Offices. The museum is surrounded by Pioneer Park which displays farming machinery from throughout the ages.

### KELLERBERRIN HILL LOOKOUT

Walk or drive to take in the breathtaking views from the lookout. This is a special treat in spring as the hill supports a mass of native wildflowers.



### CENTENARY PARK

Relax in the centre of town in this redeveloped park featuring skate park, Naturescape playground, designed by Josh Byrne, flying fox, family bbq area, bush tucker and sensory gardens, gazebos, BMX Track and a Sydney Harbour Bridge replica.

ACCOMMODATION	
KELLERBERRIN CARAVAN PARK	TEL: 08 9045 5894, 0428 138 474
KELLERBERRIN MOTOR HOTEL	TEL: 08 9045 5000
THE PREV	TEL: 08 9045 5195, 0427 063 638
KELLERBERRIN A REST AWAY	TEL: 0429 166 561
TOURIST INFORMATION	
SHIRE OF KELLERBERRIN	TEL: (08) 9045 4006
110 Massingham St, KELLERBERRIN WA 6410	
Email: shire@kellerberrin.wa.gov.au	
www.kellerberrin.wa.gov.au	

### KELLERBERRIN TOWN SITE

Stop in Kellerberrin to access; heritage trail, food, cafe, clean toilets, newsagent, pharmacy, lotto, supermarket, hotel, butcher, post office, farm supplies, cafe's, Community Resource Centre, Craft Shop, The Dust Merchant, The Funki Shop (Costume shop), petrol and roadhouse.

### LAKE BAANDEE

Lake Baandee is a popular lake for water sports when rains permit, 25kms East of Kellerberrin on Ski Lake Road.

### NEARBY ATTRACTIONS

Mt Stirling	C8
Kokerbin Rock	D8
Durokoppin Nature Reserve	D5

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## Merredin

*Innovating the Wheatbelt....*

The perfect place to explore the Central Wheatbelt from, Merredin is the regional hub with cafes, restaurants and many styles of accommodation to suit your budget. Take a cultural tour or explore history at Cummins Theatre. Merredin will entice you to stay for a few days to explore further.

### CUMMINS THEATRE

Rebuilt in Merredin by brewer James Cummins, with bricks salvaged from several old Coolgardie Hotels and materials for the stage, fly tower, and pressed metal ceiling from the Tivoli Theatre in Coolgardie. Cummins Theatre opened on 11th October 1928. Story panels bring the unique historical significance of this theatre to life. A live show at this venue is highly recommended during your visit.

### MERREDIN WALK & CYCLE TRAILS

Numerous bushland, CBD and heritage trails from 1.5km to 15kms. The trail maps are featured in the MerredinTown Map and are available from the visitor centre.

### MERREDIN SILO ART

Merredin is part of FORM's Public Silo Trail which showcases world class murals by local and international artists. These murals revitalise grain silos and public buildings with massive artworks in seven country towns. Urban artist Kyle Hughes-Odgers transformed 4 of the 8 concrete silo cells at CBH Merredin. The artwork took 200 litres of paint, 14 days, 168 hours, two lifts, 80 rollers and 10 brushes to complete in August 2017.



### MILITARY MUSEUM

A fine collection of military memorabilia from many conflicts include uniforms, equipment and vehicles, many restored to working order. The collection features a decommissioned 'Huey' a former RAAF and Army Aviation Iroquois UH-1H helicopter from the Vietnam War. Open daily.

### RAILWAY MUSEUM

A must for railway buffs, located in Merredin's historic railway station buildings, housing exhibits relating to the old days of steam power. Wander among massive steam engines and rolling stock or climb the signal tower for a view and insight into the amount of signal levers necessary to operate this once major rail hub. Open daily.

### NO 4 PUMP STATION

No. 4 Pump Station is on the Golden Pipeline Heritage Trail and is now a stabilised ruin. This heritage building housed one of eight steam engines used to pump water from Mundaring Weir to Mt Charlotte in Kalgoorlie.

### TAMMA PARKLAND

Located off South Ave, this easy 1.2km interpretive walk trail wanders amongst delightful natural bushland where the trail markers and signage reveals the secrets of the local flora and fauna.

### MERREDIN PEAK & RAILWAY DAM

Surrounded by native bushland this area is perfect for bushwalking along the interpretive trail, with a variety of wildflowers in season. Explore the nearby site of the WW1 Army Hospital.



## Southern Cross in the Yilgarn

*Visit the Southern Cross Skies....*

The Shire of Yilgarn encompasses an area of 30,720 square kilometres and caters for a population of approximately 1,600. The Shire is centred on the town of Southern Cross, which is situated 370kms east of Perth. The two major industries in the area are mining and agriculture. Early in 1888, Tom Riseley and Mick Toomey discovered gold in the locality they named "Southern Cross" after the stars which had been their guide. All the streets, parks, and the salt lake, which passes through the town, are named after the stars and constellations.

### FREE WI-FI

Parts of the CBD and Rotary Park have free WI-Fi for the benefit of our visitors.

### DOG PARK

Give your four legged travel companion a break and visit our Dog Park featuring a fully fenced and gated obstacle course with agility and exercise equipment, a water fountain with dog drinking bowl and bench seating. Located on the corner of Achernar and Sirius Street, next to the RV Dump Point.

### YILGARN HISTORY MUSEUM

Visit the earliest Registrar's Office and Courthouse in Western Australia, now the Yilgarn History Museum. The building was built in 1892 and was the first permanent Courthouse in the Eastern Goldfields.

Museum Opening hours Please visit https://visit.yilgarn.wa.gov.au to check opening hours.

### KARALEE ROCK AND DAM RESERVOIR

A rock water catchment and original timber and iron aqueduct transfers water from the natural granite rock adapted to maximise water catchment. Delivery and storage of rainwater was essential in railway development east to the Goldfields region; now it is a popular picnic spot.

### WWII WARPLANE CRASH SITE

A RAAF Vultee Vengeance dive-bomber crash site, the plane's engine was buried ten feet in the earth and the wreckage strewn over ten acres. The pilot survived, but the navigator has never been found. The publication 'Vengeance of the Outback' detailing the history of this inland aircraft is available to purchase at the Shire Office.

### TOTADGIN CONSERVATION PARK

Take the interpretive trail and view the display of wildflowers in season, located 14kms south of Merredin on the Bruce Rock Road. Wheelchair access is available to a rock wave formation from historic Hunt's Well carpark. 12km south of Merredin, see the extensive Merredin Solar Farm on the corner of Robartson Road delivering clean renewable electricity to the South West Interconnected System (SWIS).

### WIND FARM

Located 25kms southeast of Merredin is the Collgar Wind Farm. Covering an impressive 18,000 hectares, 111 turbines generate enough power to supply 125,000 homes. An Interpretive shelter is located on Bulls Head Road.



ACCOMMODATION AND TOURS	
BARKING SALMON FARMSTAY	TEL: 0460 002 543
MERREDIN MOTEL	TEL: 08 9041 1886
MERREDIN OASIS HOTEL	TEL: 08 9041 1133
MERREDIN PLAZA ALL SUITES	TEL: 08 9041 1755
MERREDIN TOURIST PARK	TEL: 08 9041 1535
NORTHSIDE TAVERN	TEL: 08 9041 1635
OLYMPIC MOTEL	TEL: 08 9041 1558
THE LODGE AT LITTLE ROCK	TEL: 0478 640 155
THE MERREDIN TREASURY	TEL: 0400 412 239
WESTBROOK MERREDIN	TEL: 0428 416 666
NIAKI NIAKI ABORIGINAL CULTURAL TOURS	TEL: 0407 984 470
TOURIST INFORMATION	
CENTRAL WHEATBELT VISITOR CENTRE	TEL: 08 9041 1666 or 1300 736 283 (WA only)
Email: visitor@merredin.wa.gov.au	
www.wheatbelttourism.com	
POTABLE WATER AND RUBBISH RECEPTACLE AT VISITOR CENTRE, DUMP POINT AT MERREDIN TOURIST PARK	

### PARKS & PICNIC AREAS

### APEX PARK (Barrack Street)

Children's playground and skate park.

### LENIHAN PARK (South Ave, Opposite St Mary's School)

An outdoor children's nature play park with picnic shelter and secure fencing.

### PIONEER PARK

Share your picnic experience with a bronze tableau of a farmer and his Clydesdale horse in the shadow of the heritage listed timber and iron water tower.

### ROY LITTLE PARK (King Street)

Familly friendly grassed park with paved walkways, pond with fountain and resident ducks. The Long Tan Memorial Reflection Pond is nearby.

### DOG EXERCISE PARK

Cnr of Bates and Coronation Streets near the Merredin Library. Two enclosed off leash exercise areas for large and small dogs with agility features, watering points and shade.

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## SHIRE OF CUNDERDIN



## SHIRE OF YILGARN

## SHIRE OF WESTONIA

## SHIRE OF TAMMIN

## SHIRE OF MERREDIN

## SHIRE OF KELLERBERRIN

## SHIRE OF BRUCE ROCK



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## CENTRAL WHEATBELT MAP & GUIDE

MECKERING | CUNDERDIN | TAMMIN | KELLERBERRIN  
BRUCE ROCK | MERREDIN | WESTONIA | SOUTHERN CROSS

## Events



Cunderdin	
Australia Day-Community Breakfast	26 January
Anzac Day-Dawn Service	25 April
Cunderdin Hot Rod Show	October
Christmas in the Park	December
Tammin	
Tammin Markets	2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each Month March to November
Comedy Gold	August
Fuse Festival	Summer
Bruce Rock	
Bruce Rock & Districts Agricultural Show	September (Biennial)
Back to the Bush Veterans Reunion	November
Kellerberrin	
Central Wheatbelt Harness Racing Cup	March to May and July to October
Kellerberrin and Districts Agricultural Show	October
Merredin	
Merredin CRC Markets	www.merredincrc.com
Merredin Show	01 April 2023
Anzac Day-Dawn Service and 11am Service	25 April
Gala Night (Town Christmas party)	December
Cummins Theatre	Monthly Shows
www.cumminstheatre.com.au	
Westonia	
Wessie on the Green	Anzac Day Weekend (Biennial)
Wessie Christmas Markets	November
Southern Cross	
Australia Day-Community BBQ	26 January
Breakfast/Awards	
Anzac Day-Dawn Service and 11am Service	25 April
Yilgarn Agricultural Show	Last Saturday in August
Southern Cross Collectors Car and Bike Show	September Long Weekend
and Swap Meet	



EVENTS - www.wheatbelttourism.com/events

## ALONG THE GOLDEN PIPELINE



# The Central Wheatbelt



CENTRAL WHEATBELT  
VISITOR CENTRE

## LEGEND

- Sealed primary road
  - Unsealed primary road
  - Sealed secondary road
  - Unsealed secondary road
  - Sealed minor road
  - Unsealed minor road
  - Track
  - National highway
  - Railway
  - Local Government boundary
  - Park/reserve
  - Golden Pipeline Heritage Trail
  - Granite Way Trail
  - Pioneers' Pathway
  - Visitor Centre
  - Accommodation
  - Barbecue
  - Bird watching
  - Camp site
  - No camping permitted
  - Camp kitchen
  - Caravan park
  - Cemetery
- Dogs permitted
  - No dogs permitted
  - Dump point
  - E-car charging
  - Fire pit
  - Fuel station
  - Gamma holes
  - Information
  - Meals
  - Medical facility
  - Picnic facilities
  - Playground
  - Rest area
  - RV friendly town
  - Scenic vistas
  - Skateboard park
  - Toilets
  - Universal access
  - Walk trail
  - Water potable
  - Wi-Fi free
  - Wildflowers
  - 4WD only

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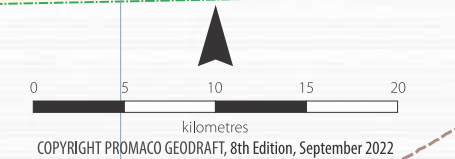
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## ROAD DISTANCE CHART

Kilometres

	BENCUBBIN	BRUCE ROCK	BULLFINCH	CUNDERDIN	DOODLAKINE	KELLERBERN	MERREDIN	MUKINBUDIN	NAREMBREEN	NORTHAM	NUNGARIN	PERTH	QUAIRADING	SOUTHERN CROSS	TAMMIN	YORK
BENCUBBIN	132	173														
BRUCE ROCK	143	103	229													
BULLFINCH	113	43	166	57												
CUNDERDIN	98	58	181	46	15											
DOODLAKINE	109	49	124	103	42	57										
KELLERBERN	37	384	95	169	116	123	74									
MERREDIN	181	39	214	142	81	96	72	146								
MUKINBUDIN	199	160	308	58	118	103	163	221	215							
NAREMBREEN	69	89	137	142	86	93	40	42	115	203						
NORTHAM	273	241	405	217	202	226	293	280	97	268	183					
NUNGARIN	158	77	250	44	75	60	126	183	116	186	116	186				
PERTH	128	162	304	23	38	23	80	146	116	179	55	189				
QUAIRADING	237	145	339	79	127	111	194	257	183	36	242	87	68	303	88	
SOUTHERN CROSS																
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