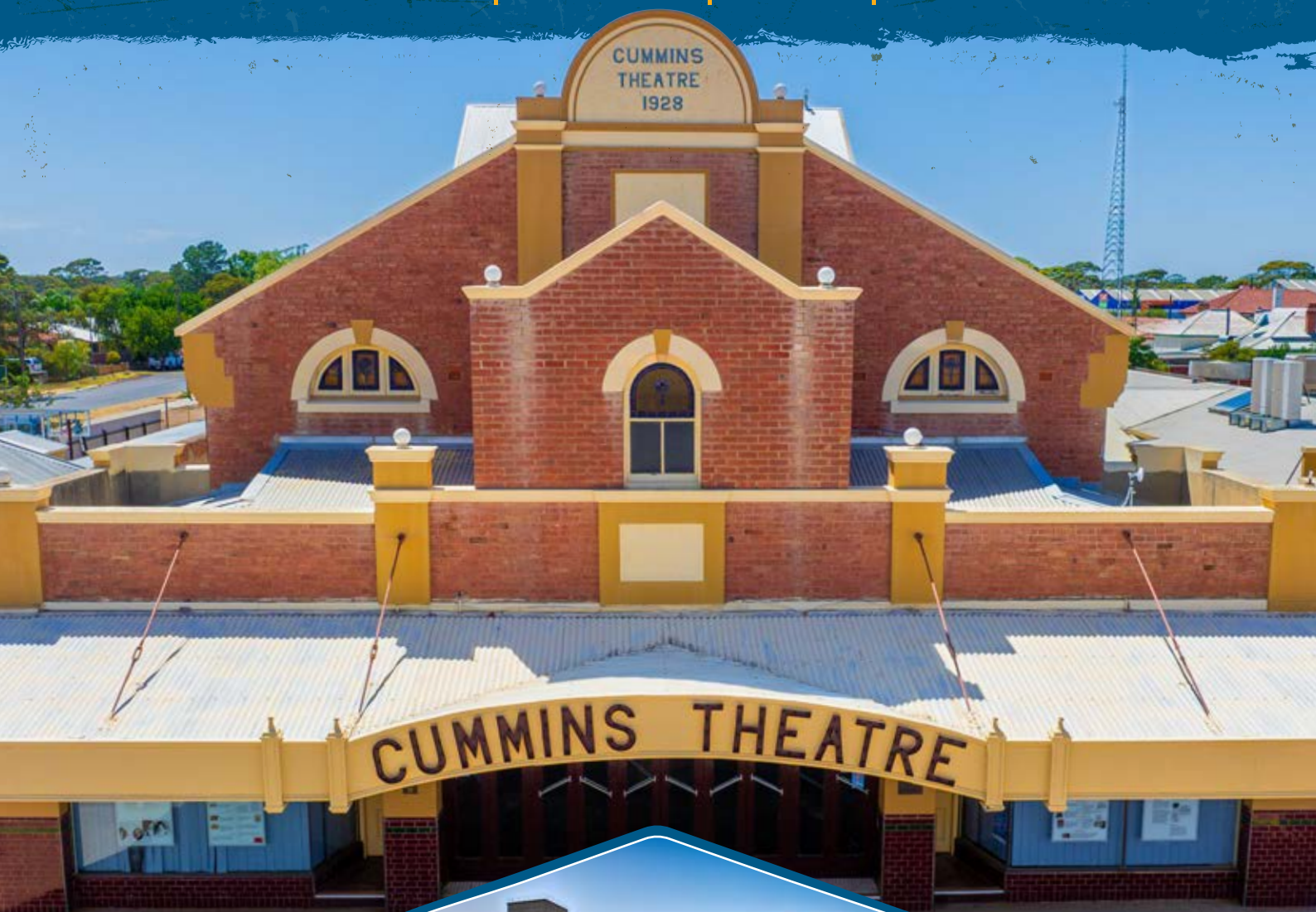


# MERRREDINE

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CENTRAL WHEATBELT  
VISITOR CENTRE

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# HOW TO GET TO Merredin

## BY ROAD

Located at the crossroads to six Wheatbelt Self-Drive road trips, Merredin is a comfortable 2.5 hrs drive east of Perth and 3.5 hrs west of Kalgoorlie, following the National Trust WA's epic Golden Pipeline Heritage Trail from Mundaring, and the Public Silo Trail from Northam along the Great Eastern Highway. Alternatively, through Toodyay along the Pioneers' Pathway is quieter, less travelled sealed roads, following the early pioneers' stories in each town.



As an RV Friendly Town, Merredin offers a FREE 24-hour stay for fully self-contained RVs at Merredin Peak Reserve, one of the Golden Pipeline Heritage Trail attraction sites. Enhance your stay with bushwalking trails, and a climb to the peak provides 360° views of Merredin and countryside. RV Dump Point is located at the Merredin Tourist Park on Oats Street. The Central Wheatbelt Visitor Centre, located at the Merredin Train Station on Barrack Street, has potable water and a rubbish dumpster.

## E-VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS

- Synergy Fast Charger, 85 Barrack Street – CCS2 & Type 2
- Shire of Merredin, 5 King Street – Type 2
- Coming soon 22 Bates Street – Type 2 Tesla

[plugshare.com/location/675329](https://www.plugshare.com/location/675329)

## FUEL (A/H 24 HOUR SELF-SERVE CARD PAYMENT)

- BP Roadhouse on Great Eastern Hwy (Diesel, ULP & Ultra)
- Caltex Roadhouse on Great Eastern Hwy (Diesel, ULP & LPG Auto Gas)
- Liberty Fuel on Barrack Street (Shell Card - Diesel, ULP & Ultra)
- Liberty Fuel Depot on Mackenzie Street (Diesel & Add Blue Only)

## TRANSWA PROSPECTOR & MERREDIN LINK PASSENGER RAIL

The Prospector train runs daily from East Perth to Kalgoorlie, return stopping at most major towns including Merredin. Alternatively, the Merredin Link offers a Monday, Wednesday and Friday return service between East Perth and Merredin.

[www.transwa.wa.gov.au](http://www.transwa.wa.gov.au)

## LOCAL EVENTS

Plan your visit to Merredin around a seasonal event or a show at historic Cummins Theatre and connect with the locals.

[www.wheatbelttourism.com/events](http://www.wheatbelttourism.com/events)

## RADIO STATIONS

AM 531 ABC Wheatbelt  
AM 1098 Triple M  
FM 105.1 Hot FM (6MD)

Book a Transwa rail journey with the Central Wheatbelt Visitor Centre. Get away for the day or take a short overnight break.  
**T: 1300 736 283 (WA only) or (08) 9041 1666**



## CENTRAL WHEATBELT VISITOR CENTRE

The Central Wheatbelt Visitor Centre has a range of local products, produce, historical and natural history publications, souvenirs, and gifts.

45 Barrack Street Merredin WA 6415  
(08) 9041 1666 or 1300 736 283 (WA only)

Email: [visitor@merredin.wa.gov.au](mailto:visitor@merredin.wa.gov.au)

Web: [www.wheatbelttourism.com](http://www.wheatbelttourism.com)

[@CWVCMerredin](https://www.facebook.com/CWVCMerredin)

[@centralwheatbeltvisitorcentre](https://www.instagram.com/centralwheatbeltvisitorcentre)

WiFi Available

Transwa Agent



## PLAN YOUR JOURNEY

Merredin is central to epic self-drive road trips capturing the regions history and heritage, nature reserves, granite outcrops, woodlands and wildflowers. Stay and explore the area from this regional hub and its many services on offer.

[www.weroc.com.au](http://www.weroc.com.au)

[www.publicsilotrail.com](http://www.publicsilotrail.com)

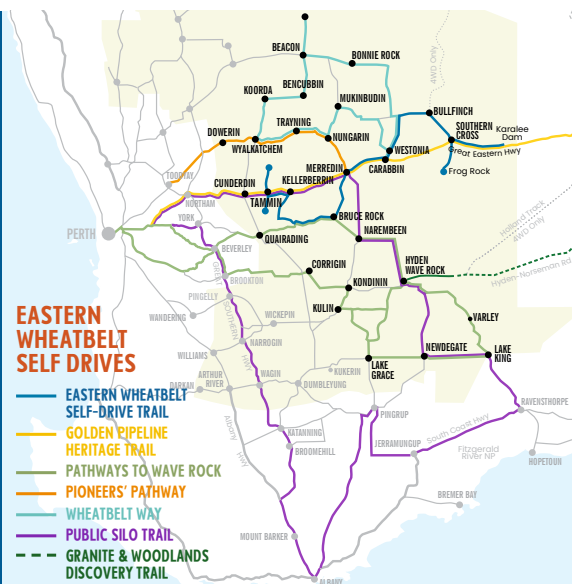
[www.goldenpipeline.com.au](http://www.goldenpipeline.com.au)

[www.pioneerspathway.com.au](http://www.pioneerspathway.com.au)

[www.pathwaystowaverock.com.au](http://www.pathwaystowaverock.com.au)

[www.wheatbeltway.com.au](http://www.wheatbeltway.com.au)

Distance from Merredin	
Albany	470km
Dalwallinu	293km
Esperance	542km
Geraldton	600km
Hyden	160km
Kalgoorlie	334km
Norseman	462km
Northam	163km
Perth	260km





# HISTORY OF Merredin

## MERREDIN'S HISTORY

The Shire of Merredin acknowledges the Traditional Owners of the land on which the Shire stands today, and pays our respects to Elders past, present and emerging. We acknowledge their continued connection and care for country, of the land and waters around Merredin, and the ongoing contribution they make to this region.

Several Central Wheatbelt towns and local government districts are recognised as culturally significant lands for the Traditional Owners. The Aboriginal community continue to have strong connections and a spiritual relationship to these places including the ecological and geographical environment. Many granite outcrops, waterways, land formations, and flora and fauna within the region hold much cultural significance to the Traditional Owners through a continued relationship that spans over tens of thousands of years. It is thought that Merredin's name came from the Merritt tree (*Eucalyptus urna* - Urn Fruited Mallee) the Njaki Njaki people used to make spears from.

Assistant Surveyor Charles Hunt explored the area between 1864-66 in five journeys establishing tracks between waterholes. In 1865 Hunt built a series of dams and stone lined wells to supply water to travellers. His route became the York to Goldfields Road, which until the arrival of the railway, was the only link between the coast and the Coolgardie and Kalgoorlie Goldfields.

A permanent campsite was established at the waterhole at the base of Merredin Peak. First Gazetted as Merredin Peak Reserve 2914 on 19 March 1891, it included an inn and a police station. In 1893, the Perth to Kalgoorlie railway line came as far as Merredin, one mile south of the original campsite. Narrow gauge railway reached Merredin November 1893, when the town was relocated to the present site and surveyed in 1904 which established Merredin's future as a significant rail station and freight handling junction.



## EARLY WATER CATCHMENT SCHEME MERREDIN PEAK AND RAILWAY DAM

Merredin's European history began as a rest stop and water point on-route to the prosperous Goldfields located in Coolgardie and Kalgoorlie. A superior water catchment solution was needed, and a low rock wall was constructed between 1893-1896 around the base of Merredin Peak, which channelled rainwater from the rock to a spillway and into the Merredin Railway Dam. This dam supplied water for the town and railway for steam engines until the construction of C.Y. O'Connor's water pipeline was completed in 1903 bringing water from Mundaring Weir, east of Perth to Mt Charlotte in Kalgoorlie. Today the Railway Dam, along with additional dams, make Merredin a water wise town. Merredin Peak at its summit is 354m above sea level.

## GRAIN GROWING

The Shire of Merredin includes the surrounding grain growing agricultural regions and the towns of Muntadgin to the south, Burracoppin to the east and Hines Hill to the west. Wheat is the state's major grain crop followed by barley, canola, oats, lupins and peas.

The Co-operative Bulk Handling (CBH) Group is Australia's largest co-operative and a leader in the Australian grain industry, with Merredin operations extending along the value chain from grain storage, handling, transport, marketing and processing. Merredin is a major receival port for CBH grain and a key receival and transport hub with a capacity to store up to 1,062,200 tonnes of wheat, making it Western Australia's largest inland port.

## GREEN ENERGY

Merredin Solar Farm is located 12km south on the corner of Bruce Rock Road and Robartson Road on 462ha of former farming and grazing country. The solar array consists of approximately 360,000 Risen Energy panels mounted on a single axis tracking system. The site is adjacent to the Western Power Merredin Terminal Substation and connects to the substation at 220kV with an expected output of 281GWh of electricity annually, generating enough energy to power approximately 42,000 homes.

Collgar Wind Farm is the largest wind farm in Western Australia by installed capacity making a huge contribution towards decreasing Western Australia's greenhouse gas emissions - equal to planting 1 million trees! There are 111 Wind Turbines on farming properties leased out for the project 25kms southeast of Merredin stretching over 18,000 hectares (180 square kms), with a total power production capacity of 222 megawatts.




# ATTRACTIONS & places to play



## CENTRAL WHEATBELT VISITOR CENTRE (F5)

Start your journey with local advice, maps and guides on accommodation, attractions, events, dining out, tours, self-drive trails, day trips, and seasonal wildflower hotspots. The Central Wheatbelt Visitor Centre's retail shop has something for everyone, stocking a wide range of local handmade products, produce, souvenirs, natural history and historical publications.

 [www.wheatbelttourism.com](http://www.wheatbelttourism.com)  
or T: (08) 9041 1666.

## 1. MERREDIN HERITAGE TRAIL

Pick up your Welcome to Merredin & Heritage Walk Map from the Central Wheatbelt Visitor Centre and follow a 2km trail around Merredin's heritage listed buildings, including Cummins Theatre, Merredin Courthouse and Townhall. The trail map includes a detailed description of the building's architecture and historical significance to Merredin.

## 2. CUMMINS THEATRE (G4)

This beautifully restored theatre is classified by the National Trust of Australia (WA) and was entered on the Heritage Council of WA's State register of Heritage Places in 1995. Today it hosts a variety of regional touring productions, Morning Melodies and Merredin Repertory Club performances throughout the year. Don't miss an opportunity to see a show during your stay in Merredin.

 [www.cumminstheatre.com.au](http://www.cumminstheatre.com.au)

## 3. MERREDIN MILITARY MUSEUM (G5)

Managed by a small but dedicated group of military buffs, this museum contains items credited to private individuals and public donations including many military vehicles in working order. This extensive collection from all conflicts features 'Huey' a former RAAF and Army Aviation Iroquois UH-1H helicopter from the Vietnam War. Entry fee applies. There are other WWII sites in and around Merredin and Nungarin district.

See Day Trips - Military Trail.



## 4. MERREDIN RAILWAY MUSEUM (G5)

Located in the historic Merredin Railway Station, the collections have enjoyed an interpretation upgrade. Maintained by a group of dedicated volunteers, this historic railway collection keeps alive this once major rail hub, its buildings, artefacts, rolling stock and steam engines. One of the prized possessions is an 1897 steam locomotive that hauled the Kalgoorlie Express from Perth to the Goldfields. Entry fee applies.

## 5. MERREDIN FINE ARTS STUDIO & GALLERY (G4)

Enjoy the hospitality of this group of creative and talented locals in their art space and gallery. Located in Queen Street, be sure to visit the artists on any Thursday 9am-2pm, or Saturday 9am-12pm.

## 6. MERREDIN SILO ART (B5)

FORM's Public Silo Trail has renewed grain silos in towns across regional Western Australia with massive artworks of world class murals by local and international artists. In 2017 urban artist Kyle Hughes-Odgers transformed four of the eight concrete silo cells at CBH Merredin. Through his characteristic geometric yet playful style, Kyle depicts the importance of the agricultural industry to Merredin and the Wheatbelt region with colours taken directly from the Wheatbelt's natural environment. A publication 'Stories from the Silo Towns' is available at visitor centres along the trail.

 [www.publicsilotrail.com](http://www.publicsilotrail.com)

## 7. MERREDIN PEAK & RAILWAY DAM (I3)

Located 1.5km from town, the granite rock Merredin Peak is a monolith, one single massive rock made from hard granite and exposed by erosion over millions of years. It is also a reserve and a prominent place for the Njaki Njaki Aboriginal people.

The European pioneering story of the engineering techniques of the early Water Catchment Scheme is visible in the built history of stone contour walls, a rock channel and spillway into Railway Dam and interpreted through National Trust (WA) Golden Pipeline Heritage Trail signage. A 24-hour site for fully self-contained RVs in a woodland setting. No fires, dogs permitted off leash.

## 8. WWII 2/1 AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL (I3)

Close by to Merredin Peak is the World War II concrete foundation slab remains of the 2/1 Australian General Hospital. A walk or short drive around this trail will explain this inland Army hospitals' significance to the war effort through National Trust (WA) interpretive signs.

## 9. NO. 4 PUMP STATION

One of eight original pumping stations along CY O'Connor's water pipeline Merredin's No. 4 pump station is located 3km west of Merredin just off the Great Eastern Highway. This once significant structure is now a stabilised ruin with National Trust (WA) Golden Pipeline Heritage Trail interpretive signs. No pedestrian access.

## 10. TOTADGIN CONSERVATION PARK (F8)

Just a short drive 14km south of Merredin on the Bruce Rock Road, this granite rock in a natural woodland setting features one of early surveyor Charles Hunt's historic hand built stone wells. A Golden Pipeline Heritage Trail site with walk trails leading to a mini 'wave' rock formation. National Trust interpretive signs and springtime wildflowers make it an ideal picnic spot. Wheelchair access to picnic shelter from one of the two car park entries. A Dept. Parks and Wildlife Conservation Reserve, dogs not permitted. BBQ facilities.

See Day Trips - Totadgin Conservation Park and Solar Farm.

## 11. COLLGAR WIND FARM (J8)

Located 25km southeast of Merredin, the wind farm covers 18,000 hectares of farmland and contains 111 turbines which generate enough power to supply 125,000 homes with renewable energy. An information shelter provides the wind farms renewable energy story located on Bulls Head Road.

See Day Trips - Collgar Wind Farm.

## 12. MERREDIN SOLAR FARM (F8)

Located 10km south of Merredin on the Merredin-Bruce Rock Road is the impressive solar array of this Wheatbelt renewable energy project. Merredin Solar Farm has a generation capacity of 100MW and is the largest solar farm in Western Australia. With an expected output of 281GWh of





electricity annually, generating enough energy to power approximately 42,000 homes.

**See Day Trips - Totadgin Conservation Park, Solar Farm, No. 4 Pump Station and Merredin Silo Art.**

### 13. NO. 1 RABBIT PROOF FENCE

Located 2km east of Burracoppin, the No. 1 Rabbit Proof Fence was the first of three rabbit proof barriers against the spread of rabbits threatening the agricultural industry of WA. It is the longest continuous fence in the world and represents enormous endeavour by a handful of dedicated individuals. The No. 1 fence runs from Cape Keraudren to the north of Port Hedland to Starvation Boat Harbour near Hopetoun on the south coast.

**See Day Trips - Rabbit Proof Fence and Westonia Hood-Penn Museum.**

### 14. SEASONAL WILDFLOWERS

Over 980 species of wildflowers can be found within the Shire of Merredin. The annual display is one of the most sought-after springtime attractions in the region. The enchanting winter orchids start off the season in June/July followed by carpets of everlasting by August, with spring flowering trees and shrubs in the woodland reserves and roadsides.

The Shire of Merredin is proud to have received a 4-Star rating in the Wildflower Society of Western Australia's Wildflower Excellence Rating Scheme 2024.

This recognition highlights Merredin's rich biodiversity, with an abundance of wildflowers flourishing across our natural reserves, road verges, and Flora Road vested in the Shire.

 [www.wheatbelttourism.com/wildflowers](http://www.wheatbelttourism.com/wildflowers)

**See Day Trips – Wildflower Trails.**



**For attraction location grid references  
see Merredin Map on Page 5-6.**

## 15. PARKS, PLAYGROUNDS & RESERVES

Before heading off, pack a picnic or grab some delicious food and drink from a choice of several cafés and food outlets.

### APEX PARK | DANJOO WAABININY BOODJA (F5)

The number one rest stop for your travelling family. The park includes a children's playground with flying fox and slide tower, skate park, half court, grassed oval, gym equipment, picnic shelters, BBQs & toilets. Located on the west end of Barrack Street with secure fencing. Dogs not permitted.

### DOG PARK (G4)

Not forgetting your four-legged travel companion/s, there are two secure fenced and gated exercise runs with water points at this top spot for canines small and large visiting Merredin. Located adjacent to the Merredin Library in Coronation Street. Dogs permitted off-leash in exercise areas.

### LENIHAN PARK (F6)

A dedicated children's outdoor nature play space with logs and rocks to scramble over and includes a family picnic shelter inside secure fencing. Located on east side of South Avenue opposite St Mary's Primary School.

### PIONEER PARK (G5)

A memorial park with picnic tables, seating, and sculptures dedicated to the agricultural pioneers of Merredin and district. Car park access from Great Eastern Highway with access to the Railway Museum and Military Museum and a short walk to Merredin CBD via a railway pedestrian crossing. Dogs permitted on leash. No access for Caravans or RV Parking.

### ROY LITTLE PARK (F4)

An extensive grassed park accessed by paved pathways to a central duckpond with fountain and picnic shelters. Parking in King Street near the Shire Administration Building and adjacent to the Long Tan Memorial Reflection Pond. Wheelchair and mobility scooter access. Dogs permitted on leash.

### TAMMA PARKLAND (F7)

Located on west side of South Avenue at the town's southern boundary, this nature reserve hosts seasonal wildflower displays.

An interpretive walk trail wanders amongst delightful natural bushland where the 1.2km trail reveals the secrets of the local flora and fauna. Dogs permitted on leash.







# WELCOME TO MERREDIN

## MERREDIN TOWN MAP BUSINESS LISTINGS

### VISITOR INFORMATION, MUSEUMS & ATTRACTIONS

	Central Wheatbelt Visitor Centre	T: 9041 1666	F5
	Merredin Military Museum	T: 0429 411 204	G5
	Merredin Railway Museum	T: 0417 860 046	G5
	Merredin Fine Arts Studio & Gallery		G4
	Merredin Peak & Railway Dam		I3
	WWII Army Hospital Site		J3
	Merredin Silo Art		B5
	No 4 Pump Station		A6

### ACCOMMODATION

	Little Rock Merredin	T: 0427 449 003	D6
	Merredin Motel & Gumtree Apartments	T: 9041 1886	E4
	Merredin Tourist Park	T: 9041 1535	I5
	The Merredin Treasury	T: 0400 412 239	G4

For more Merredin Accommodation Options [www.wheatbelttourism.com](http://www.wheatbelttourism.com)

### AUTOMOTIVE SERVICES

	Brunos Mechanical Solutions	T: 0438 552 750	H4
	Combined Tyres	T: 1300 266 897	G4
	Eastern Districts Panel Beaters	T: 9041 1592	I4
	Hutton & Northey Sales	T: 9041 9500	J4
	Merredin Panel & Paint	T: 9041 1778	G4

### SERVICES

	Merredin Telephone Services	T: 9041 1199	H4
	Tammarin Animal Lodge	T: 0408 299 531 (Day Trips Map Pg 8)	

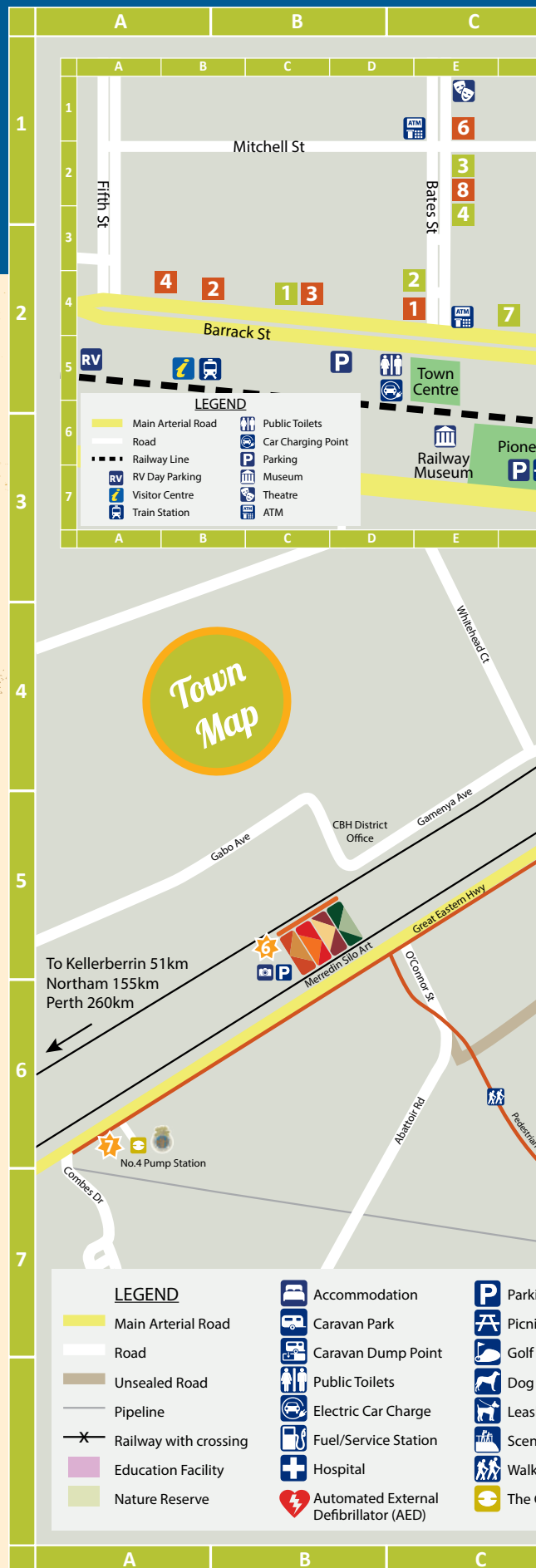
## MERREDIN CBD MAP BUSINESS LISTINGS

### PLACES TO EAT

	Commercial Hotel	T: 9038 7420	C4
	Dimensions Café	T: 0499 240 953	E4
	Merredin Palace Chinese Restaurant	T: 0456 175 411	E2
	Merredin Pizza	T: 9041 1674	E2
	MJ's Food and Coffee	T: 0456 403 125 (Main map G3)	
	Northside Tavern	T: 9041 1635 (Main map G4)	
	Wild Poppy Café	T: 0435 013 780	F4

### OTHER SERVICES

	Australia Post Merredin	T: 13 13 18	D4
	Go Mad Discount Store	T: 9041 2000	B4
	Leon Baker Jewellers	T: 9040 1340	C4
	Merredin Flowers & Gifts	T: 9020 5611	B4
	Merredin Pharmacy	T: 9041 1311	G4
	Middelton Business Advisors	T: 9041 1226	E1
	Paint The Town	T: 0458 235 461	H4
	Stanik Ambrosial	T: 0408 141 415	E2
	Two Dogs Mitre 10	T: 9041 1078	I4



### EMERGENCY & MEDICAL SERVICES

Emergency	T: 000	
	Hospital	T: 9081 3222 F5
	Karis Medical Group	T: 9041 3126 G4
	Merredin Medical Centre	T: 9041 2900 F5
	Automated External Defibrillator (AED) Available 24hrs	





## SHIRE OF MERREDIN SERVICES

Administration Centre	T: 9041 1611	F4
Cummins Theatre	T: 9041 3295	G4
Merredin Regional Library	T: 9041 1222	F4
Merredin Regional Community & Leisure Centre	T: 9041 3033	G3
Swimming Pool (Nov - Mar)	T: 6140 1257	G5

## CHURCHES

1 Church of Christ	G6
2 Roman Catholic	F6
3 Seventh Day Adventist	G5
4 Uniting Church	F4



# DAY TRIPS From Merredin

## TOTADGIN CONSERVATION PARK, MERREDIN SOLAR FARM, NO.4 PUMP STATION & MERREDIN SILO ART

South and west of Merredin take in four key attractions ranging from natural history, green energy, Golden Pipeline heritage and massive Public Silo art.

Distance 40kms return on sealed roads. Allow a few hours.

Take South Avenue/Bruce Rock Road 14kms south of Merredin to Totadgin Rock. Two car park entries located on right side of road. For granite rock and natural history devotees, follow rock trail markers to the mini wave formation and adjacent natural bushland. Interpretive signs, BBQ and picnic tables with disabled access available from Hunt's Well car park. Good walking shoes, hat and water bottle recommended. Level of difficulty is low but allow 45mins for the walk. A Dept. of Parks and Wildlife Conservation Reserve, dogs not permitted.

Return via Robartson Road past the massive solar array at the Merredin Solar Farm project and Merredin Power Substation back to the Great Eastern Highway. See three generations of water pumping stations 4kms west of Merredin at the original No.4 Pumping Station, part of the National Trust (WA) Golden Pipeline Heritage Trail. A further 2km on, stop into the Merredin CBH Silo Art lay-by with Public Silo Trail interpretation signage on your return to Merredin.

## RABBIT PROOF FENCE, WESTONIA & HOOD-PENN MUSEUM

See sections of the original No. 1 Rabbit Proof Fence now called the State Barrier Fence visiting Boodalin Soak, Edna May Mine gold operation, Sandford Rocks and the significant collection at Hood-Penn Museum.

Distance approx. 170kms return on sealed roads with some unsealed sections. Allow a half day.

Take the Great Eastern Highway east to Burracoppin, the former headquarters for the State Barrier Fence. Take the Burracoppin-Campion Road north 20kms from Burracoppin where sections of the original netting fence line can be seen from the roadside. Turning east on Ten Mile Gate Road and north along the Rabbit Proof Fence Road for more original netting fence line and a stop to see a unique in-ground water supply at Tank No.24 off to the lefthand side of the road. At Leeman Road turn east to the Warralakin Road and travel south approx. 2kms and onto Stoneman Road stopping into Boodalin Soak with an original stone lined well.

Call into the Edna May Mine 1km north of Westonia and take a walk up the pedestrian ramp to the viewing platform for a birds eye view of this operating gold mine. Westonia greets you with a fascinating 1920s historic retail streetscape and an extensive historical family collection at the Hood-Penn Museum in the old Club Hotel building. Sandford Rocks Reserve 10kms northeast is a great picnic spot to stop and explore the rock

and woodlands. Sandford Rocks is a Dept. Parks and Wildlife Nature Reserve, dogs not permitted.

On your return to Merredin, stop in at the Walgoolan Pioneer Gazebo and 5km east of Burracoppin at the Rabbit Proof Fence Road intersection where there is an interpretive shelter on the south side of the highway. Off Goldfields Road, south of the highway is one of Charles Hunts wells and an interpretive station. Westonia has a café and store.

## COLLGAR WINDFARM TRAIL

The first of two Wheatbelt green energy projects located on agricultural land in the Shire of Merredin, this massive undertaking consists of 111 wind turbines.

Distance approx. 70kms return on mainly sealed roads with an unsealed section. Allow a half day.

Head 2kms east on the Great Eastern Highway to the Narembreen Road turnoff and as you travel south the turbines come into view and you can see the extent of the largest wind farm in Western Australia. Continue east onto Bulls Head Road where some of the massive towers are close to the roadside. An interpretive shelter on the lefthand side of Bulls Head Road is a good place to stop and learn more about the renewable energy industry. During wildflower season visit Scott Road (Merredin's Flora Road). Continue till you meet Springwell Valley Road and turn north to meet the Great Eastern Highway at Burracoppin, turning west on the return to Merredin.

## WILDFLOWER TRAIL – SEASONAL

During a good wildflower season expect to see carpets of everlastings on the roadsides and in bushland reserves around granite rocks. Include Mangowine Homestead on the return if time permits. Distance approx. 120-160kms return on mainly sealed roads, some unsealed sections into reserves or attractions. Allow a half to full day.

Follow Telfer Avenue north from Merredin to the corner of Merredin-Chandler Road and Talgomine Reserve Road, the bushland on the left is a wildflower

hotspot so get out and explore. Turn onto Talgomine Reserve Road to Talgomine Reserve for more wildflower carpets. Drive on to Eaglestone Rock and Lake Brown to explore the granite rock and salt lake, a great place for picnic lunch. Visit Mangowine Homestead to absorb the early settler history at this National Trust (WA) heritage farm. Open 1pm-4pm daily but CLOSED Wednesdays.

A short drive further west is Billyacatting Hill Conservation Park and Yarragin Rock. Some rock reserves have walk trails, picnic facilities and toilets.





## WWII MILITARY SITE TRAIL

Some of the military sites can only be viewed from the roadside as they are on private property. Please respect the rights of these property owners.

Distance approx. 90kms return on sealed roads with some unsealed sections. Allow half a day.

During your stay in Merredin visit the Military Museum adjacent to Pioneer Park, the WWII Australian Army Hospital site at Merredin Peak Reserve, War Memorial Cenotaph on the corner of Barrack and Fifth Streets, and the Long Tan Vietnam Memorial Reflection Pond located on King Street near the Shire Administration Building and Roy Little Park.



Heading north from Merredin on Merredin-Chandler Road to see a concrete igloo structure in the paddock on the right-hand side. This building was originally a WWII High Frequency Direction Finding Installation base.

Continue north and turn left on the Nokaning East Road (10km unsealed). Several kilometres along you will see the remnants of the RAAF No. 6 Central Reserve Munitions Depot where another 46 of these concrete igloo structures were built to house munitions. From the roadside you can still see some of the numbers written on the doors.

Follow Nokaning East Road until you reach the Merredin-Nungarin Road and turn north for 25kms to Nungarin. Visit the extensive vehicle and machinery collection at Nungarin Heritage Machinery and Army Museum (open daily) located in the WWII Maintenance Workshops constructed between 1942 and 1946.

Just west of Nungarin on the Nungarin-Wyalkatchem Road out in the paddock to the left is the remnants of the brick dividing fire walls of an additional five large Army store houses. The construction of the fire walls with steel reinforcing rods remains as testament to the Army's building methods

employed at the time.

If time permits, travel 14kms north to historic Mangowine Homestead, a National Trust (WA) site and an RV Friendly Destination where the onsite caretaker will show you through the historic homestead and outbuildings, the original CWA building, stone lined wells and walk trails to take in the history.

Returning via the Merredin-Nungarin Road, approaching Merredin are two large iron clad hanger structures located on the left. These were the RAAF No. 10 Stores Depot built in 1943 and part of the depot for bulk and technical stores, including vehicle parts, uniforms, aircraft parts and equipment required by the Airforce. This site is now home to a private business and can only be viewed from the roadside.





# Merredin SERVICE LISTING

## Accommodation



Peaceful farm stay, just 3km from Merredin overlooking the iconic Wheat Silo Artwork. Little Rock offers 2 choices of accommodation with luxury linen's, premium appliances, EV charging facility, and complimentary continental breakfast.

T: 0427 449 003 | E: [littlerockmerredin@gmail.com](mailto:littlerockmerredin@gmail.com)  
W: [littlerockmerredin.com.au](http://littlerockmerredin.com.au)



Just 260 km from Perth, Merredin Tourist Park offers everything from caravan and camping to fully equipped chalets and villas.



2 Oats Street  
Cnr Great Eastern Highway  
Merredin WA 6415

08 9041 1535  
[info@merredintouristpark.com.au](mailto:info@merredintouristpark.com.au)  
[merredintouristpark.com.au](http://merredintouristpark.com.au)



## Tours & Travel

### Cultural walking tour of Merredin Peak

- Discover the Eastern Wheatbelt/Yilgam's rich Aboriginal heritage
- Tour with experienced local Nyoongar guide
- Learn about seasonal bushfoods & medicine
- Get hands on with traditional tools & weapons
- Tag along overnight tours



[njakinjaki.com.au](http://njakinjaki.com.au)  
Bookings 0407 984 470  
[tours@njakinjaki.com.au](mailto:tours@njakinjaki.com.au)



### Deluxe Air-conditioned Queen Rooms & Free WiFi

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