



Coolgardie Day Festival

Kalgoorlie, Coolgardie and The Prospector Rail Journey

5 Days | Saturday 19 September to Wednesday 23 September 2026

Step back into the spirited days of Western Australia's greatest gold rush as you journey to the heart of the Goldfields aboard the Prospector. This five day holiday brings history to life through grand streetscapes, festival celebrations and local storytelling as Kalgoorlie and Coolgardie open their doors to share their rich past. Explore museums, heritage sites and open air collections, hear the tales of early pioneers and meet colourful Goldfields characters who keep old traditions alive. From the excitement of the Coolgardie Day Festival to the awe of the Super Pit, this journey delivers a memorable blend of culture, history and outback charm.

Highlights

- Experience the return journey on The Prospector between Perth and Kalgoorlie
- Immerse yourself in the colour and excitement of the Coolgardie Day Festival
- View the immense KCGM Super Pit and its dramatic mining operations
- Discover Coolgardie's magnificent heritage buildings and museums
- Meet Noel "The Camel Man" at the Coolgardie Camel Farm Museum
- Explore the National Trust's Warden Finnerty's Residence
- Wander through the open air museum at Ben Prior Park
- Visit historic Burt Street in Boulder and learn its Goldfields story

Inclusions

- Pre/post tour transfers (ex Perth, Western Australia)
- 10 meals
- 4 nights accommodation
- Tours and attractions
- Professional Villa Tour Leader and Coach Captain

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Your holiday itinerary (ex Perth, Western Australia)

Day 1. The Prospector Train Journey to Kalgoorlie (D)

Your holiday begins with courtesy collection from home and a transfer to the East Perth Terminal. Board the Prospector and settle in as forests give way to the Wheatbelt and eventually the vast Goldfields landscape. Upon arrival in Kalgoorlie you are transferred to your accommodation to enjoy a relaxed evening.

4 nights: Quality Inn Railway Motel, Kalgoorlie

Day 2. Coolgardie Day Festival (BLD)

Spend today in Coolgardie, known as the Mother of the Goldfields. Visit the Goldfields Exhibition Museum then join the lively Coolgardie Day Festival with its street parade, stalls and entertainment. Take time to explore Ben Prior Park, home to historic mining machinery and local curiosities. Later return to Kalgoorlie after an enjoyable day of Goldfields celebration.

Day 3. Coolgardie Heritage and Local Characters (BLD)

Return to Coolgardie this morning to visit the historic railway station, local Men's Shed and Warden Finnerty's Residence. Continue to the Coolgardie Camel Farm Museum where Noel "The Camel Man" shares stories of the region's camel history. After lunch in the park visit the Coolgardie Cemetery for insight into the hardships faced by early settlers. Finish the day with a gentle walk at Coolgardie Bluff Cultural and Heritage Trail before returning to Kalgoorlie.

Day 4. Kalgoorlie Up Close (BD)

See Kalgoorlie from a new perspective on a tour of the Super Pit, an awe inspiring open cut mine still in operation today. Visit the Goldfields War Museum for an engaging look into the region's wartime contributions. Spend time along historic Burt Street in Boulder before meeting local artisan Kim "Chunky" Gent for a demonstration of his reclaimed timber craft. Conclude the afternoon with time to relax in Kalgoorlie's peaceful green spaces.

Day 5. The Prospector Train Journey to Perth (B)

An early transfer returns you to the Prospector for your rail journey back to Perth. Sit back and enjoy the passing landscapes as you retrace your route across the Goldfields and Wheatbelt. On arrival you will be met by a courtesy small charter vehicle and transferred safely home.

Itinerary is subject to change. Terms and conditions apply. Call 08 9754 2026 for details.

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Cost per person twin share (inc GST)

Prospector free pass: \$2,055

Prospector Pension/Seniors Card: \$ 2,165

Prospector adult: \$ 2,275

Single option: \$ 460

Earn 43 villabucks



For travellers who walk confidently and unaided. In addition to Relaxed requirements, expect guided walking tours that may include gentle inclines and stair climbs, some longer days, and multiple hotel changes. Access to accommodation may involve stairs, short walks to facilities, and showers over baths. Walking sticks are welcome unless the tour includes overnight rail or cruising—please check with staff.

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