



Northern Goldfield Riches

Featuring the Golden Quest Discovery Trail, Lake Ballard's Salt People and The Prospector

5 Days | Friday 22 May 2026 to Tuesday 26 May 2026

Step into the heart of Western Australia's Goldfields on a five-day journey of history, character and big-sky landscapes. Trace the Golden Pipeline across the Wheatbelt, explore Kalgoorlie's working heritage and discover ghost towns and museums that bring the gold rush to life. Visit Leonora and the remarkable historic precinct of Gwalia, then wander among Antony Gormley's world-famous Salt People at Lake Ballard. Round things off in comfort aboard the high-speed Prospector train back to Perth.

Highlights

- Journey the Golden Pipeline heritage trail through Wheatbelt and Goldfields landscapes
- Marvel at the vast open-cut of Kalgoorlie's Super Pit
- Explore Hannan's North Tourist Mine and gold rush stories
- Discover treasures inside the Museum of the Goldfields
- Travel the Golden Quest Discovery Trail past pubs, towns and rugged scenery
- Step into Gwalia's historic precinct and Hoover House
- Wander Lake Ballard among Antony Gormley's Salt People sculptures
- Ride The Prospector train comfortably back to Perth

Inclusions

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

Your holiday itinerary (ex Perth, Western Australia)

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Day 1. Perth to Kalgoorlie (D)

Travel east along the Great Eastern Highway through the Wheatbelt, following the Golden Pipeline that carried life to the Goldfields. Along the way you will pause at country towns before arriving in Kalgoorlie. Here you will settle into your hotel and enjoy a welcoming dinner with fellow travellers. 2 nights Quality Inn Railway Motel, Kalgoorlie

Day 2. The Golden Mile (BD)

This morning you will step back in time at Hannan's North Tourist Mine, where you can relive the early days of the gold rush. After enjoying lunch at leisure, explore the Museum of the Goldfields and discover its treasures. Later, gaze into the immense Super Pit, one of the largest open-cut mines in the world, before finishing the day with sweeping views from Mount Charlotte.

Day 3. Golden Quest Discovery Trail (BLD)

Today the journey continues along part of the Golden Quest Discovery Trail. You will enjoy the hospitality of Menzies before visiting the historic ghost town of Gwalia. Explore Hoover House, the museum and restored miner's cottages that tell stories of a bygone era. The day concludes in Leonora where you will relax for the evening.

1 night Leonora Motor Inn, Leonora

Day 4. Lake Ballard and the Salt People (BLD)

Departing Leonora, you will pause at Niagara Dam before travelling to Lake Ballard. Here you will wander among 51 striking steel figures designed by world-renowned artist Antony Gormley. Set against the brilliant white salt lake, the sculptures are a truly unforgettable sight. After a picnic lunch and time to explore, the journey returns to Kalgoorlie with a visit to the Broad Arrow Tavern along the way.

1 night Quality Inn Railway Motel, Kalgoorlie

Day 5. Prospector train to Perth (B)

This morning you will board the Prospector train for a high-speed journey from Kalgoorlie to East Perth Terminal. Relax in comfort as you watch the landscape roll by, before being transferred safely to your home.

- Quality Inn Railway Motel is a two-storey property with showers over bath; ground-floor rooms cannot be guaranteed.
- Super Pit touring is subject to operational conditions and may be cancelled without notice. If required, an alternative attraction will be arranged.
- Mandatory attire for any Super Pit tour: sturdy fully enclosed shoes with socks, long sleeves to the wrist and long pants to the ankles. Only head and hands may be exposed.

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Cost per person twin share (inc GST)

Prospector free pass: \$1,865

Prospector Pension/Seniors Card: \$1,915

Prospector adult: \$1,965

Single option: \$420

Earn 39 villabucks



Moderate

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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