

# Collie to Balingup Tour Bibbulmun Track

Distance: end to end -84km Duration: 5 Days / 4 Nights



Only a few hours from Perth, the Bibbulmun Track between Collie and Balingup offers some excellent walking and passes through one of the best stands of virgin jarrah forest in the south west. Immerse yourself amongst the wildflowers and the sounds of the bush on this five day break.

Over five day's you'll complete 84 km of the world-class Bibbulmun Track. Whether it's your first Bibbulmun Track section or one of many that you've done, you're sure to enjoy the fresh air, exercise, great accommodation, delicious meals and the rejuvenating time away from home.

**Level:** *Easy-Moderate*

This is a fairly moderate walk. As with all Bibbulmun Track walks, the trail itself is very well maintained and defined. The challenge of this walk is the distance, not the terrain – although on some days you have the option to pull out before the end. For the most part it's firm under foot. There are some hills, but nothing you can't handle!

**Give us a call if you have any questions!**  
**08 8 6219 5164 or [walk@inspirationoutdoors.com.au](mailto:walk@inspirationoutdoors.com.au)**

## What our guests say:

*"Fantastic trip ....beautiful jarrah forest, great wild flowers and orchids, orchids, orchids!..outstanding organisation. Great accommodation (no camping!) and wonderful meals (cakes every day for morning tea on the track and delicious hearty meals at night (no dehydrated mush). The guides Imogen and Sarah very professional and fun to walk with.. we learnt so much about the beautiful flora. We cant recommend them and the company highly enough...this is the best way to experience the Bibb track for those who dont like camping..."*

*Frequentflyer556, Trip Advisor*

## 2019/20 DEPARTURES:

1 - 5 Sep 2019

1 - 5 Sep 2020



## Itinerary

A guide will accompany you each day as you walk between 12 and 20 km. Guests should have a moderate to good level of fitness in order to make the walking enjoyable and achievable. For the first night, we will be staying in motel style accommodation in Collie. For the remaining three nights, we will stay in accommodation in Balingup. The itinerary may alter depending on local conditions and weather.

### Day 1

Drive from Perth to Collie + Walk  
Distance: 12km

After a pick up in Perth, it is only a short few hours to Collie for the start of the walk.

We will be spotting interesting wildflowers and lovely orchids as soon as we enter the bush just outside of Collie. Passing the Collie River, we'll finish this easy walk near Mungalup Dam before heading to our accommodation in Collie.

Note, as we walk on the first afternoon, please wear your hiking clothes on the bus and bring your day pack ready to go.

### Day 2

Mungalup Dam to Mumbalup Tavern  
Distance: 20km

From Mungalup Dam we'll continue heading south. We'll pass Yabberup Campsite and Glen Mervin Dam before ending the day at the Mumbalup Tavern. Enjoy a cool lemon squash or a beer with some locals in the very interesting country hotel before we head to Balingup on the coach.



### Day 3

Mumbalup Tavern to Lowden Grimwade Rd  
Distance: 20km

No beer this morning! We'll start today's walk beside the rolling green hills of some Mumbalup farms before entering the forest. There are some lovely babbling brooks, granite outcrops and many flowers to enjoy along the way today – as well as some decent hills.

In the afternoon we walk through the Preston Virgin Jarrah Forest. It's a rare and special sight to see a mature jarrah forest – with huge trees left to grow for hundreds of years.

### Day 4

Lowden Grimwade Rd to Kirup Rd  
Distance: 16km

It's a thoroughly enjoyable walk today, through mixed forest with mostly gentle gradients. There are a few decent hills to keep you interested.

There will be time in the afternoon to take a wander around Balingup if you wish. Or just relax on the verandah with a cuppa and take in the view over the green rolling hills.

### Day 5

Grimwade Kirup Rd to Balingup  
Distance: 16km

We'll finish up with a lovely 16km walk through forest, farmland, and into Balingup town. There are a few decent hills around Balingup and today we will conquer one as we come into town. It will be no trouble though after preparing your legs on the previous walks. The walk into Balingup town is very pleasant as we follow Balingup Brook for much of the way.

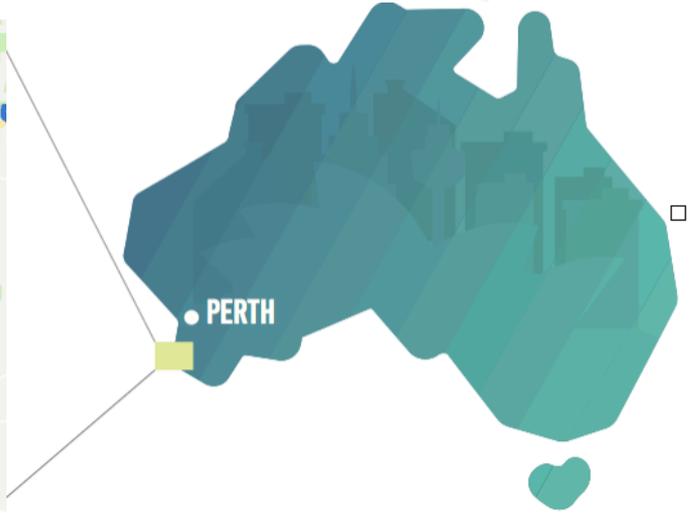
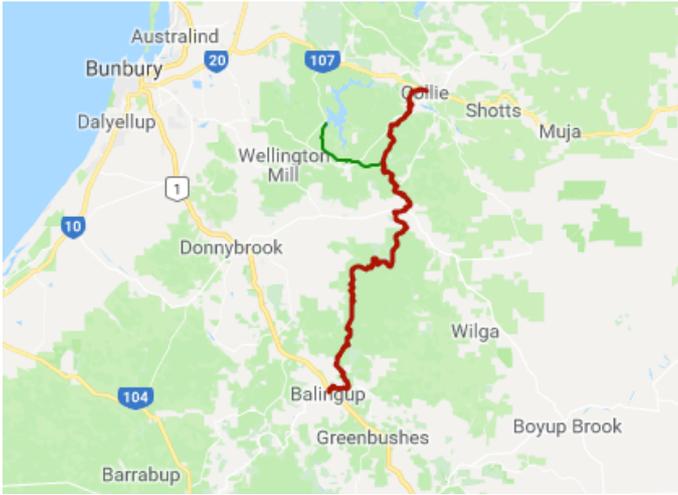
Well done! You've just completed another section of the Bibbulmun Track.

We aim to have you back in Perth by about 6pm.



Bibbulmun Track Collie to Balingup  
Level: Easy-Moderate

Any questions?  
Call us on 08 6219 5164



## The Fine Details

Cost: \$1,695 per person

(\$400 single supplement)

### What's included:

- All transport: private coach transport to and from Perth; as well as transport to and from the track each day
- Professional guiding and support each day
- Emergency support: guides carry satellite phones and a full first aid kit
- 4 nights comfortable accommodation
- 4 healthy breakfasts – cereal, fruit, yogurt, toast
- 5 morning teas, carried by your guide
- 5 lunches – some packed and some delivered picnics
- Pre-dinner nibbles each night
- 4 delicious two course dinners
- Excellent itinerary and planning drawn from 19 yrs experience

### Where do we start from?

The tour starts and finishes in the Perth CBD. We pick up our guests from the Tourist Coach Stand at 490 Wellington Street, near the corner of William Street at 8am on the morning of the departure. We can also pick up from Fremantle at 7:20am from the Parry Street car park (just let us know). In the weeks prior to the tour we will provide you with a map to this location.

As we are walking on the first day of the tour, it is not advisable to fly into Perth on the morning of the tour departure. We recommend staying (at least, it's a great city) one night in Perth before the tour. At the end of the tour, we generally return to Perth at around 6pm, and then on to Fremantle at 6:15pm.

Here is a google maps link for your reference. <https://goo.gl/maps/whNjBqLXayv>.

And here's what it looks like at street level <https://goo.gl/maps/2E8bSdWsoHH2>

If you are looking for accommodation in Perth close to the pick up spot, we recommend;

- The Ibis (on Murray Street)
- The Royal (on Wellington Street)
- Mantra on Murray (on Murray Street)
- Four Points by Sheraton (on Wellington Street).

All are within easy walking distance of the pick up spot.

### Where do we stay?

Accommodation is allocated on a double or twin share basis. A limited number of single supplements are available for an additional \$400. Single supplements are not mandatory for solo travellers, we will room solo travellers with a fellow solo traveller of the same gender.

We'll spend our first night in Collie at the Collie Ridge Motel where we'll also have dinner in their onsite restaurant.

For the next three nights we will stay at Donnellybrook Motel. This is basic motel twin share/queen rooms with ensuites and we will eat together in their onsite restaurant.



## Dietary requirements?

From vegetarians to pescatarians to meat loving carnivores with an aversion to cucumbers we cater for all dietary requirements and will make sure you are well fed and looked after on tour.

## Average Temperature (degrees):

**Spring Departures: Sep:** 6 min - 18 max

## What's the average age of walkers?

The average age of our guests are between 55-75 years young but we welcome any adult on our tours.

## Ready to book?

Your next adventure is two steps away...

- Jump onto our website [www.inspirationoutdoors.com.au](http://www.inspirationoutdoors.com.au) , find your tour in the menu and click on the orange button in the top right hand corner that states, '[CheckAvailability/](#)

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- Pay a \$350pp deposit to secure your booking (full payment is required six weeks prior to departure or at time of booking if booking within six weeks).

Just in case...

All our tours are guaranteed departures.

We hope that you do not need to cancel your booking. However, if you do, our cancellation fee, based on the notice given prior to the departure date, is:

- More than 12 weeks: \$50 administration fee
- 6 to 12 weeks: loss of deposit
- 4 to 6 weeks: 25% of full tour cost
- 2 to 4 weeks: 50% of full tour cost
- less than 2 weeks: 100% of full tour cost, no refund

If you have any concerns about cancelling, please take out travel insurance covering this contingency. This policy will be adhered to despite the most compelling and compassionate circumstances.

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