



# Wheatbelt Way

Bright skies. Big horizons.

## The Wheatbelt Way Trail Attractions

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| 1 Tin Dog Creek                     | 13 Bonnie Rock Townsite                |
| 2 Minnivale                         | 14 Beringbooding Rock                  |
| 3 Naaning Well                      | 15 Elchbutting Rock Well & Reserve     |
| 4 Korlock Reserve                   | 16 Sandford Rocks                      |
| 5 Wyalkatchem Well                  | 17 Boodalin Soak                       |
| 6 Cowwong Cemetery                  | 18 Weira Gnamma Hole & Reserve         |
| 7 Koorda Native Flora Reserve       | 19 Wattoning Historical Site           |
| 8 Gabbin Townsite                   | 20 Mangowine Homestead                 |
| 9 Marshall Rock Reserve             | 21 Bilyacutting Hill Conservation Park |
| 10 Pergandes Sheepyards & Homestead | 22 Trayning Gnamma Holes               |
| 11 Billburning Rock & Reserve       | 23 Trayning Historic Well              |
| 12 Datjoin Well & Reserve           | 24 Yelbeni Townsite & Museum           |

### Legend

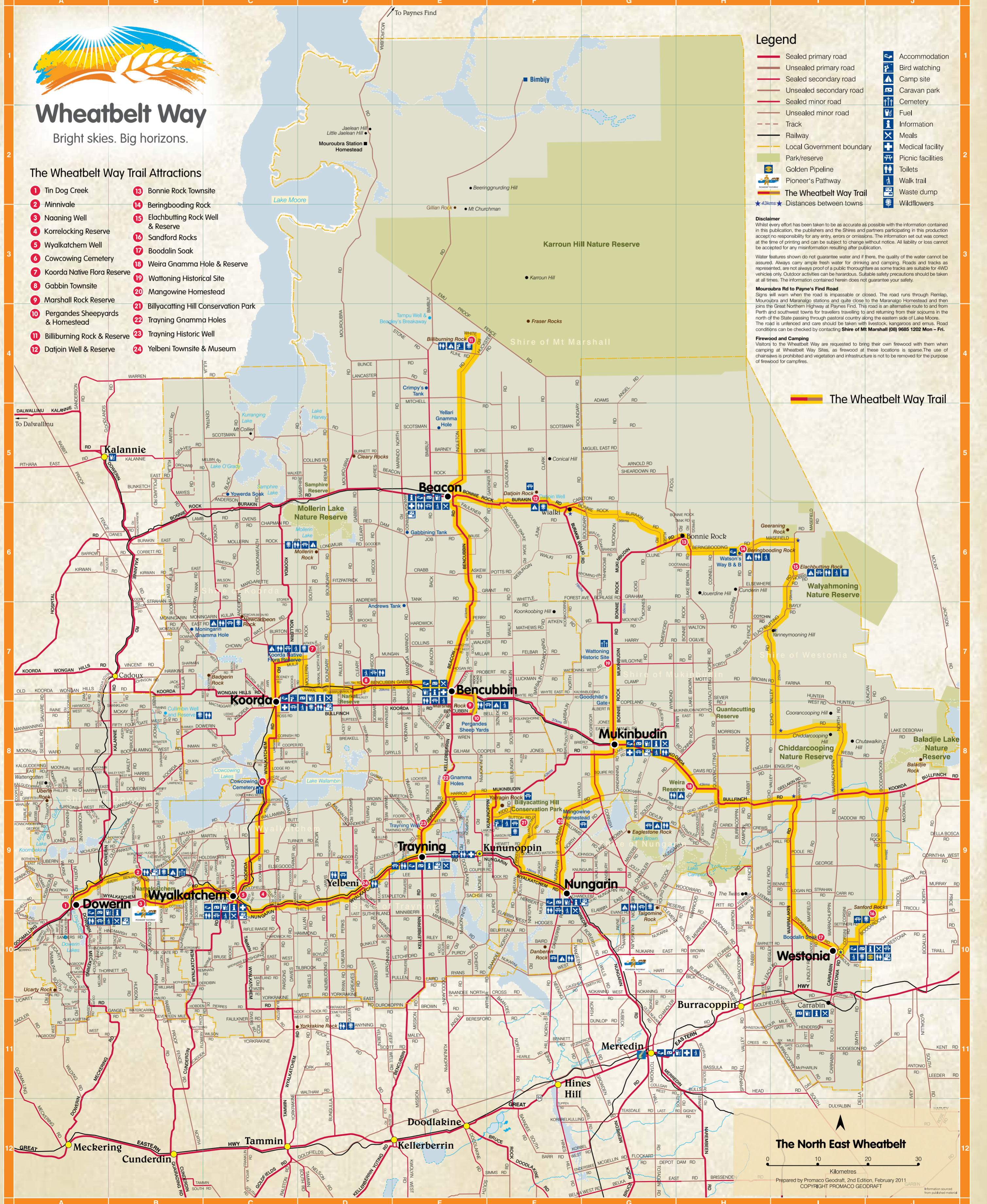
	Sealed primary road		Accommodation
	Unsealed primary road		Bird watching
	Sealed secondary road		Camp site
	Unsealed secondary road		Caravan park
	Sealed minor road		Cemetery
	Unsealed minor road		Fuel
	Track		Information
	Railway		Meals
	Local Government boundary		Medical facility
	Park/reserve		Picnic facilities
	Golden Pipeline		Toilets
	Pioneer's Pathway		Walk trail
	The Wheatbelt Way Trail		Waste dump
	Distances between towns		Wildflowers

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**Mouroubra Rd to Payne's Find Road**  
Signs will warn when the road is impassable or closed. The road runs through Remlap, Mouroubra and Marango stations and quite close to the Marango Homestead and then joins the Great Northern Highway at Payne's Find. This road is an alternative route to and from Perth and southwest towns for travellers travelling to and returning from their sojourns in the north of the State passing through pastoral country along the eastern side of Lake Moore. The road is unsealed and care should be taken with livestock, kangaroos and emus. Road conditions can be checked by contacting **Shire of Mt Marshall (08) 9685 1202 Mon - Fri**.

**Firewood and Camping**  
Visitors to the Wheatbelt Way are requested to bring their own firewood with them when camping at Wheatbelt Way Sites, as firewood at these locations is sparse. The use of chainsaws is prohibited and vegetation and infrastructure is not to be removed for the purpose of firewood for campfires.



The Wheatbelt Way Trail

**The North East Wheatbelt**

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Kilometres

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# The Wheatbelt Way Drive Trail

The Wheatbelt Way self-drive trail will lead visitors on an adventurous interpreted journey to the regions communities of Dowerin, Wyalkatchem, Koorda, Bencubbin, Beacon, Westonia, Mukinbudin, Nungarin and Trayning, their natural attractions and history and heritage while offering them opportunities to stay and experience the unique Wheatbelt communities and landscapes.

## Dowerin

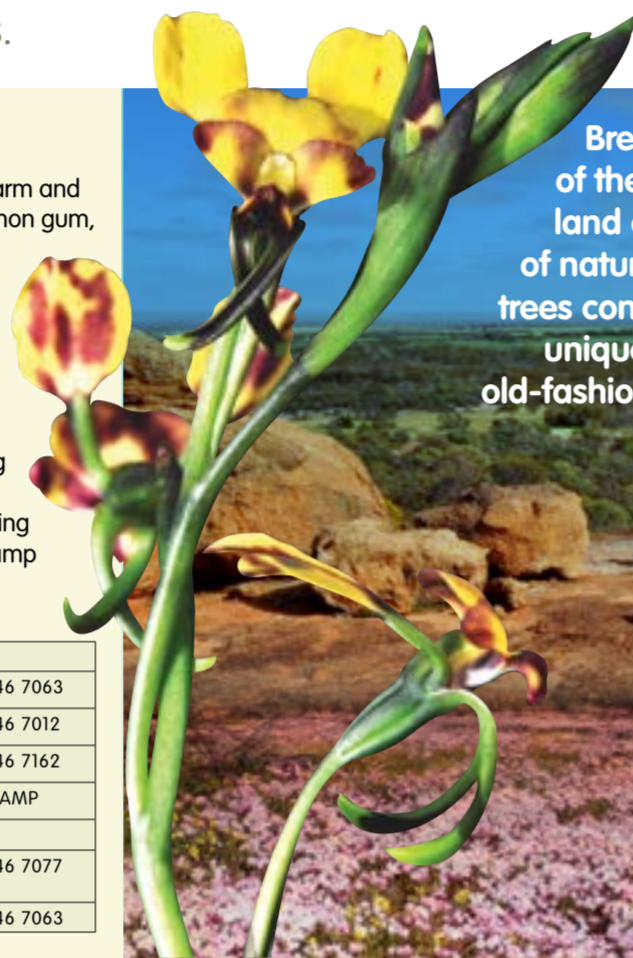
Located 160 kilometres, or 2 hours northeast of Perth. The Shire's 760 residents enjoy a temperate climate with winter rainfall and hot, dry summers. The appealing country environment is complemented by a vibrant community lifestyle as well as the development of state of the art new facilities, such as the Dowerin Community Club Recreation facility. Dowerin offers a range of attractions to suit every member of the family. Why not stay a night or two in Dowerin to give you plenty of time to explore the area. Start the day with a visit to the Dowerin Bakery to pack a hearty lunch and some delicious sweet treats and spend the rest of the day visiting 'Rusty' and the Tin Dog Creek Walking Trail and Bird Hyde, Namelkatchem Reserve and Well, Daren Lakes and Naaning Well. Whether you're an experienced bushwalker or simply out for a stroll, the Reserves and walk trails surrounding Dowerin give an insight into the rich history of the region and exhibit some spectacular orchids and wildflowers.

ACCOMMODATION	
DOWERIN CARAVAN PARK AND MOTEL	TEL: 08 9631 1135
DOWERIN COMMERCIAL HOTEL	TEL: 08 9631 1206
CAMPING AND SULLAGE FACILITIES AVAILABLE AT MINNIVALE	
TOURIST INFORMATION	
DOWERIN COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE STEWART STREET, DOWERIN	TEL: 08 9631 1662
SHIRE OF DOWERIN 13 COTTRELL STREET, DOWERIN	TEL: 08 9631 1202

## Westonia

The most striking thing about Westonia is its unique charm and natural surroundings, nestled amongst 5,600ha of salmon gum, morrell and gimlet woodland interspersed with granite outcrops and remnants of the town's gold mining history. Stroll down the main street of Westonia and enjoy historic buildings, as well as new buildings that have also been built in a historic style. Call into the Hood-Penn Museum on the main street and notice the facades from the town's original bank, café, hotel, fire station, boarding house and green grocer store fronting new buildings as you walk. Other wise head out for a picnic at Sandford Rocks or camp the night at Elachbutting Rock, while there take a walk through Monty's Pass, stamp your foot in Kings Cave and photograph the colourful Rainbow Wave.

ACCOMMODATION	
WESTONIA CARAVAN PARK	TEL: 08 9046 7063
WESTONIA TAVERN	TEL: 08 9046 7012
CARRABIN ROADHOUSE MOTEL & CARAVAN PARK	TEL: 08 9046 7162
CAMPING ELACHBUTTING ROCK, ST LUKE'S CHURCH 48HR FREE CAMP	
TOURIST INFORMATION	
WESTONIA COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE, WOLFRAM STREET, WESTONIA	TEL: 08 9046 7077
WESTONIA SHIRE OFFICE, WOLFRAM ST, WESTONIA	TEL: 08 9046 7063



Breathe the fresh air as you explore the history and natural beauty of the Wheatbelt Way. Picture yourself surrounded by a vast timeless land of bright skies and big horizons, rich with the sights and sounds of nature, warm sunny days and cool evening breezes and green leafy trees contrasting with rugged rocky outcrops. Let us introduce you to the unique charm of the Wheatbelt Way where you can experience good old-fashioned hospitality while exploring at your leisure. Whether you are planning a short visit or longer stay, there is lots to see and do.

## Koorda

In 1917 the Koorda township sprang up around the railway worker's camp and saw the establishment of a general store, post office, blacksmith, greengrocer and hostel to accommodate the seasonal worker, mainly baggers of wheat. Koorda continues its tradition of productive grain cultivation with sheep to a lesser degree than in the past. Koorda Museum is well worth a visit and, as it was formerly the town's hospital, houses an interesting collection of antique medical and surgical equipment. The Koorda Motor Museum is also a place of interest with an extensive display of motor memorabilia and military collection. The Koorda Community Resource Centre also houses a wildflower interpretation display of the regions wildflowers. Koorda Drive-In has gained a broad following of patrons due to the installation of digital equipment screening of newly released movies is now possible. Please check our website [www.koorda.wa.gov.au](http://www.koorda.wa.gov.au) for details of screening dates. A visit to town would not be complete without exploring Mollerin and Newcarbeon Rocks or a wander through the Koorda Native Flora Reserve. Anybody who enjoys the outdoors will be impressed by the picturesque formations, each with their own peculiar mini-environment of wildflowers and small animals.

ACCOMMODATION	
KOORDA CARAVAN PARK	TEL: 08 9684 1219
KOORDA HOTEL	TEL: 08 9684 1226
YALAMBEE UNITS (SELF CONTAINED)	TEL: 08 9684 1219
KOORDA FARM TREES ACCOMMODATION	TEL: 0428 694 043
CAMPING MOLLERIN ROCK, NEWCARBEON ROCK, KOORDA NATIVE FLORA RESERVE	
TOURIST INFORMATION	
KOORDA COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE, 41 RAILWAY STREET, KOORDA	TEL: 08 9684 1081
SHIRE OF KOORDA, CNR HAIG & ALLENBY STREETS, KOORDA	TEL: 08 9684 1219

## Bencubbin

Along with Beacon, Bencubbin is one of the two main centres servicing the Shire of Mt Marshall. The town's name is derived from "Gnylbencubbing" the Aboriginal name for nearby Marshall Rock. Bencubbin is located at the southern end of the Mt Marshall Shire, stop and check out the Sandalwood dray and interpretive centre, climb up Marshall Rock which offers superb 360 degree views of the surrounding farming land, Lake McDermott, Bencubbin town, Welbungin and Wiacubbing Hill. Take a trip back in time and be amazed at Pergande's Sheep Yards, which were constructed almost entirely from granite from nearby rock. Those visiting the area between July and October will be in for a treat as the abundant wildflowers will be in full bloom following the winter rains.

ACCOMMODATION	
BENCUBBIN CARAVAN PARK (CABINS AVAILABLE)	TEL: 08 9685 1202
CAMPING MARSHALL ROCK	
TOURIST INFORMATION	
BENCUBBIN COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE, MONGER STREET, BENCUBBIN	TEL: 08 9685 1007

## Beacon

The town of Beacon is a vibrant and well established town boasting a range of facilities and services. The district was established in the 1920's as a farming area and expanded following the construction of the railway line in 1931. Call at the Visitor Centre and view the 600 species herbarium display. Stroll through the Botanical Park off Broadbent Street and see the fabulous Sandpaper wattle before enjoying a cuppa while admiring the restored tractors at the Men's Shed. Numerous Reserves and granite outcrops dot the landscape, the major one being Billburning Rock, a popular a camping and picnic spot. Enjoy a glass of wine atop the rock as you watch the sun set and the stars come out. Perfect!

ACCOMMODATION	
BEACON CARAVAN PARK & RAILWAY BARRACKS (CABINS AVAILABLE)	TEL: 0488 025 853
CAMPING BILLBURNING RESERVE	
TOURIST INFORMATION	
BEACON CENTRAL COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE, 11 ROWLANDS STREET, BEACON	TEL: 08 9686 1014



## Mukinbudin

The Shire of Mukinbudin was settled by pastoralists who in the 1870's took up large leases in excess of 20,000 acres to run sheep, as well as by Sandalwood cutters and miners en-route to the goldfields. Mukinbudin is a place for those who have an interest in the outdoors. There are no better places to experience this than Beringbooding Rock and Weira Reserve. Four wheel driving, BBQ's, camping, bushwalking and spectacular views can be experienced amongst these attractions. Native flora lovers will enjoy the botanical walk and anyone with a passing interest in the history of the area should visit the unique bulk grain storage silo, the Mens Shed, Goodchilds Gateway and the Wattoning Historical Site.

ACCOMMODATION	
MUKINBUDIN CARAVAN PARK AND SELF CONTAINED CHALETS	TEL: 08 9047 1103
MUKINBUDIN HOTEL	TEL: 08 9047 1133
WATSON'S WAY B&B	TEL: 08 9047 0008
ROSE COTTAGE COUNTRY RETREAT SELF CONTAINED ACCOMMODATION	TEL: 0418 912 125
CAMPING BERINGBOODING ROCK & WEIRA RESERVE	
TOURIST INFORMATION	
MUKINBUDIN COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE, 8 WHITE STREET, MUKINBUDIN	TEL: 08 9047 2150
SHIRE OF MUKINBUDIN, 15 MADDOCK STREET, MUKINBUDIN	TEL: 08 9047 2100

## Trayning

The Shire has 430 people in and around the townsites of Trayning, Kununoppin and Yelbeni and has a focus on agriculture. The area is named after Trayning Well, the Aboriginal name of a nearby water source located on the old road from Goomalling to the Eastern Goldfields. It was first recorded by a surveyor in 1892 and allegedly derives from the Aboriginal word "durri-iring", meaning "snake in the grass by the campfire".

Visitors to Trayning will be treated to the beautiful natural surroundings of the region and are recommended to visit Billycatting Hill, Yarragin Rock and the Gnamma Holes. A variety of amazing flora and fauna can be found at these locations and highlight the natural diversity of the area. Pack a picnic and enjoy the visitor facilities provided.

The Yelbeni Town Site Museum is relatively new, having been developed in 2002. It houses a very interesting collection of local history ranging from photos, plaques and pieces of vintage farm machinery that provide an accurate and informative glimpse of the past.

ACCOMMODATION	
TRAYNING CARAVAN PARK	TEL: 0428 997 156
TRAYNING HOTEL/MOTEL	TEL: 08 9683 1005
TOURIST INFORMATION	
SHIRE OF TRAYNING, RAILWAY STREET, TRAYNING	TEL: 08 9683 1001



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