



Shire of  
**UPPER GASCOYNE**

Nature, humanity and time meet at the intersection that is Gascoyne Junction – it is where the ancient Lyons and Gascoyne Rivers join up, and where the stock routes of the past overlap.

As well it is the place where the land still gives a clear view of life millions of years ago. The abundant fossil beds, and unmistakable evidence of vast oceans of the distant past paint a fascinating picture.

Stars shine brightly in the clear night sky, a delight for the astronomers amongst us. In spring wildflowers bloom and spread through the wide open spaces creating carpets of colour.

Four wheel drivers can experience off road adventures, and with 1,800km of unsealed road to explore, most are accessible for conventional two wheel drive vehicles so everyone can explore our backyard, we welcome you. Pack your hiking shoes and get ready to wander out back.

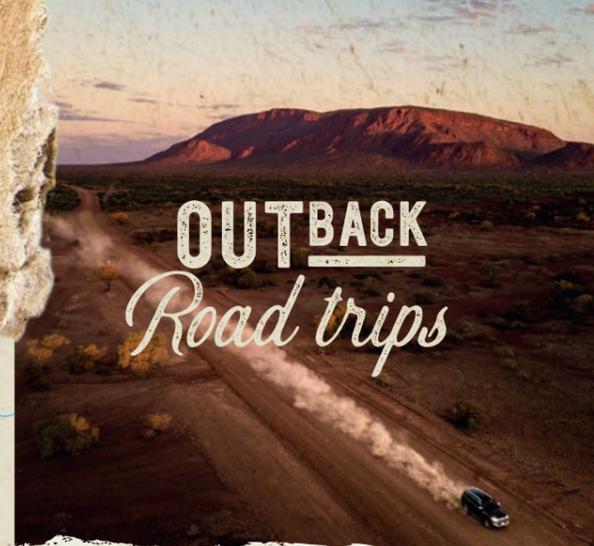


# Welcome TO THE UPPER GASCOYNE

SHIRE OF  
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REGION MAP



## OUTBACK Road trips



### WOOL WAGON PATHWAY

The Wool Wagon Pathway epitomises the true Australian Outback. It is a land of distinct horizons, glorious vistas, unlimited sunshine, wondrous dawns and sunsets and spectacular night skies. This trail travels through WA's legendary sheep and wool country before heading to the coast. Expect star filled night skies, vivid sunsets and lively country characters in your outback route from Geraldton to Exmouth through the Shire of Upper Gascoyne.

### KINGSFORD SMITH MAIL RUN

Follow Kingsford Smith along the Kingsford Smith Mail Run. Smithy, as he was known, once trundled along this very route on his mail run from Carnarvon east to Meekatharra via Gascoyne Junction. 10 of the 19 points of interest can be discovered in the Shire of Upper Gascoyne.

### KENNEDY LOOP TRACK

The Kennedy Loop Track is an extreme 4WD track only providing access to the remote Western side of Kennedy Range before crossing over the top of the range to enjoy the more accessible eastern side. This 265km circuit from Gascoyne Junction will take a minimum of 1.5 days to complete. Please note that the track is not suitable for caravans.

### MT AUGUSTUS (BURRINGURRAH) SCENIC LOOP

This 49km loop drive provides views of the changing faces of the world's biggest rock and access to all the feature sites. This road is suitable for conventional two wheel vehicles. For more information please contact the CRC and Information Centre.

### IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION

Visitor Information Centre .....	(08) 9943 0988
Shire of Upper Gascoyne .....	(08) 9943 0988
Royal Flying Doctor Service .....	1800 625 800
Shire of Carnarvon .....	(08) 9941 0000
Shire of Ashburton .....	(08) 9188 4444
Shire of Exmouth .....	(08) 9949 3080
Shire of Shark Bay .....	(08) 9948 1218
Shire of Murchison .....	(08) 9963 7999
Shire of Meekatharra .....	(08) 9980 0600
DBCA (National Parks) .....	(08) 9948 2226
Carnarvon Hospital .....	(08) 9941 0555
Burringurrah Police .....	(08) 9918 7160
Carnarvon Police .....	(08) 9941 7333



### DRIVING IN THE UPPER GASCOYNE:

The majority of our roads are unsealed which can be affected by weather and other factors. **IF THE ROAD IS WET IT IS CLOSED.** Under the Road Traffic (Admin) Act 2008 (WA) roads are closed in the Shire of Upper Gascoyne when wet. Do not proceed. \$2,500 Fine Applies. For the most up to date road conditions visit [www.uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au/roadreport](http://www.uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au/roadreport). This report is only updated when a change to the current report is needed to be made. Check weather report before travelling.

## ENDLESS NIGHT SKIES

The stars shine brightly across the Upper Gascoyne. With low levels of light pollution, the stars seem to leap out of the sky, the Milky Way seems like you can reach up and touch it. Have you seen the Emu in the Sky? Indigenous Astronomy sheds a new light on the Milky Way – call into the Gascoyne Junction CRC and Information Centre to find out how you can discover the Emu in the Sky for yourself.

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**WANDER  
OUTBACK**