

## Arkaba Walk Packing List and Information

### YOUR ACCOMMODATION

This quintessential Australian experience includes two nights at the Arkaba Homestead, plus two nights of sleeping under a canopy of stars in swag bedding at purpose-built eco-camps. On the first and final nights, you'll sleep in an ensuite guestroom at Arkaba Homestead, an 1851-built farmhouse that offers a real sense of place with its pressed metal ceilings, cool flagstone floors, shady verandahs, small library, and open fires. On the remaining two nights, you'll sleep in a deluxe swag set on a slightly raised timber platform with corrugated iron screens to three sides for privacy, and an open front offering views across the countryside. The eco-camps feature composting toilets and bush showers with water warmed on the fire.

### CONNECTIVITY

Mobile service coverage is not available at Arkaba Conservancy. Guides have phones that can be used if necessary. There is no power at the bush camps so cameras should be fully charged with spare batteries packed. We recommend bringing a portable battery pack or solar power bank to recharge devices on the walk. Electricity is available at the Homestead. Guides are equipped with specialised communication devices in case of emergencies.

### WHAT YOU CARRY

As a lodge-based walk, you only need to carry a day pack with your packed lunch, water and other personal items for the day. You'll be provided with a soft carry bag to put your overnight gear into that will be transported for you between camps. You may store your other luggage (such as suitcases) back at the Homestead.

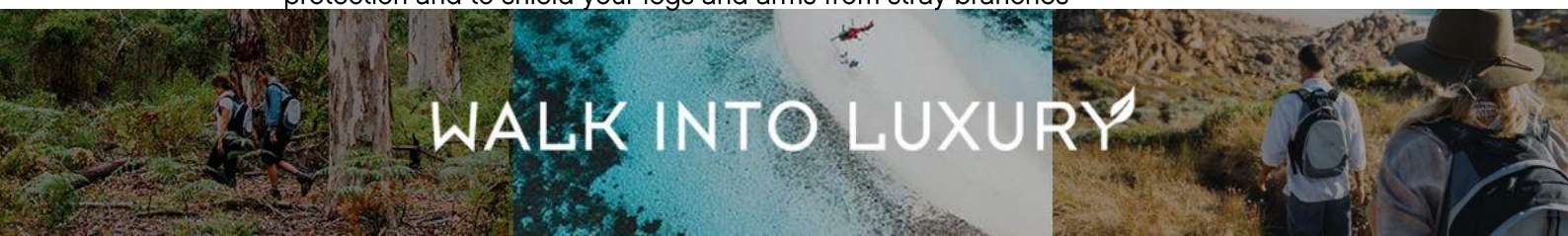
### WHAT'S SUPPLIED?

For your comfort, you are welcome to bring and use your items, but the following are provided if required:

- 30-litre day pack, with a two-litre hydration reservoir and room for personal items
- Sock guard gaiters
- Walking poles (if you use them regularly, bring your own)
- Bath towels and essential toiletries (Australian-made, biodegradable and eco-friendly body and hand wash, shampoo and conditioner)
- Head torch
- Stainless steel water bottles
- Canvas swag protectors, mattresses and pillows are provided at the eco-camps
- Guides carry comprehensive first-aid kits and emergency communication devices

### WHAT YOU SHOULD BRING

- A large water bottle or hydration pack (if you don't wish to use those provided)
- Boots and spare socks – sturdy waterproof hiking boots with mid-to-high ankle support are a must due to the uneven terrain; boots should be comfortable and worn in
- Comfortable hiking clothing - we recommend long loose-fitting clothing for sun and wind protection and to shield your legs and arms from stray branches



# WALK INTO LUXURY



- Layered clothing is recommended – a set of thermal tops and bottoms, lightweight wicking shirts (with SPF recommended) or light cotton shirts, preferably long-sleeved
- Long pants – waterproof or quick-dry material is advised (not cotton or denim)
- Wet weather gear - waterproof windcheater or lightweight water-and-wind-proof jacket
- Beanie or woollen hat, scarf, gloves and a fleece jacket or warm jumper
- A change of clothes and lightweight shoes/sandals to wear at the camps and Homestead when not walking (smart casual attire is recommended for evenings at the Homestead)
- Sun protection, including a wide-brimmed hat, sunscreen, and sunglasses
- Day pack – single-sized packs are available to borrow, but for comfort, we recommend bringing your own so you know it is correctly sized
- Small towel and swimsuit if you intend to swim at the Homestead pool
- Prescription glasses and/or any medication you may require (including an EPI pen)
- Small personal aid kit, including insect repellent and blister protection
- Camera, chargers, spare batteries and solar-powered power bank (if required)

Pre-trip information

