

# 3 Days: The Best of Karijini



## Day 1:

The perfect way to kickstart your Karijini adventure is with a guided tour. We have partnered with the award-winning Hike Collective to offer a brand-new selection of guided tours through the stunning landscapes of Karijini National Park. These will set the stage for an unforgettable experience and provide plenty of useful information for the rest of your visit.

\*Visit [www.karijiniecoretreat.com.au/tours](http://www.karijiniecoretreat.com.au/tours) for more information.

## Day 2:

From the Karijini Eco Retreat, drive for ~10km to arrive at the Weano recreation area. This is well equipped with an information shelter, toilets, shaded seating, and barbeque facilities.

For the less adventurous, **Upper Weano Gorge Trail** is Class 4 (1km, allow 45 minutes return).

For the adventurous, **Lower Weano Gorge** to Handrail Pool is a challenging Class 5 (1km, allow 1 hour return). This includes a scramble over boulders, through narrow passages and wading through pools.

**Hancock Gorge** is a daring Class 5 trail (1.5km, allow 2 hours return) and is for very experienced walkers. A high level of fitness and agility is required. A steep descent will lead you to highly polished rock ledges that change from red-orange to blue-purple colours.

Complete your adventure-filled day with a sunset trip to Joffre Gorge lookout. This is reached by an easy bush walk from the Karijini Eco Retreat.

## Day 3:

**Dales Gorge** is located on the east side of the Karijini National Park and can be reached via a brand-new sealed road. Fortescue Falls & Fern Pool are the only permanent waterfalls with pools beneath them, and are the perfect place for a refreshing swim! Fern Pool is a lush oasis surrounded by paperbarks and ferns, a beautiful place to relax.

If you are up for a walk, Dales Gorge Trail is a creek-side 2km hike along the bottom of the gorge. This is a Class 4 and takes 3 hours return.

While you are nearby, the **Karijini Visitor Centre** is well worth a visit. The range of displays take you on a journey of places and people, past and present, through stories of geology, plants, animals and Aboriginal people and their culture.

Although **Kalamina Gorge** is the shallowest of Karijini's gorges, it is still a magnificent Class 4 hike (3 km, allow 3 hours return). A brief walk takes you down a steep track to the base of the gorge to a small permanent pool, complete with a waterfall.

Banjima Language - Place Names	
Joffre Gorge	Jijingunha
Kalamina Gorge	Nhamurrunha
Dales Gorge	Ngirribungunha
Fortescue Falls	Jabula
Fern Pool	Jabura
Circular Pool	Walhabindamunha
Hammersley Gorge	Minhthukundi
Mount Bruce	Punurrunha
Hancock Gorge	Bilungunha

Trail Classifications	
Class 2	Well defined with some steps. Generally, gradients are gentle.
Class 3	Defined and may include steps, loose surfaces, uneven ground, and short steep sections.
Class 4	Moderately difficult. Require a good level of fitness. Expect steep gradients and natural obstacles including rocks and shallow pools.
Class 5	Difficult. High level of fitness and agility is required. Trail markings are minimal and steep sections with vertical drops are common. Expect to encounter natural hazards including large boulders; pools of water; slipping, wet rocks; and narrow, high ledges.