

Our homeland has many secret and wonderful places, each with its own story to tell.

In the local dialect of the region's First People, 'Mand joo' means (meeting place) and 'goordap' means (of the heart).

We invite you to join us on a journey through this very special place.

# Mandjoogoordap Dreaming Tours

Walking Tour: Mandjoogoordap Dreaming 1.5 hours

Take a leisurely stroll along the Mandurah Eastern Foreshore exploring this fascinating waterway. Learn about the region's First People and the pivotal role the waterways played in their lives for thousands of years. Along the way discover little known places of interest and the cultural stories connected to them. Every generation has a story here.

### **Bus Tours**

Yaburgurt Trail Heritage & Historical Tour 9am-10am Fri, Sat & Sun

10% Discount on Group Bookings (5 or more people) Departs from Mandurah Performing Arts Centre

River, Estuary, Ocean 2.5 hours

This Cultural knowledge tour takes you on a journey through the coastal plain, home to our ancestors for thousands of years. A place of great cultural significance to the region's First People.

#### Thrombolites (Woggaal's Noorook) 2.5 hours

Thrombolites are the oldest known living bacterial life form, surviving after millions of years of existence. This rare and endangered natural feature is also significant in

how local Aboriginal culture have interpreted this location in its Creation Beliefs.

## On Request

Design your own Customised Tour

Ask us about designing a tour to meet your requirements. We can work with you to create a tour that meets the specific needs and interests of your group. From the natural environment to bushfood tastings or a focus on cultural heritage, our customised tours offer complete flexibility.

### Complimentary pick-up and drop-off from Mandurah Train Station

Ideal for those visiting from overseas with no vehicle or for seniors groups. We can arrange a complimentary pick up and drop off service from Mandurah Train Station in our air conditioned bus. Simply request the service when making your booking.

#### **Our Cultural Services**

CUSTODIAN CEREMONIES - CULTURAL AWARENESS TRAINING CULTURE THROUGH MUSIC - NOONGAR LANGU AGE DIDGE SOUND THERAPY



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# Bushcraft

Growing up here, the bush was a place of learning. Hunting skills and foraging for bushfoods, the aroma of campfire smoke, plants, fresh damper and foods that were cooked on the coals evokes powerful memories. My family continues these practices just as our ancestors before us have done for

thousands of years.

Dreaming story of the Woggaal's eggs

# Cultural knowledge

The bush and waterways are part of the life experience of our people. Cultural knowledge is passed down from family and ancestors who teach us to be familiar with the land and waterways, and how to benefit from it. Our Dreaming stories and language connect us to the land. We also call the rivers and creeks the same name as our umbilical cord because they both sustain life. So when we look after the land and waterways it will look after us.

Cultural knowledge and positive memories are part of the experience that we would like to share with you when you come along on a tour with Mandjoogoordap Dreaming. Join your host and take away some lasting memories from this special place.

> George Walley Tour Guide & Owner



# Learn how to make bush twine



# Traditional life on Country

Traditionally our people lived with extended family in bush shelters called kaalak. We didn't have a fixed place that we called home. Our real home was the vastness of the territory that we lived in and moved around on, following the seasonal food sources. It was and still is referred to as our 'kaaleepga' or homeland. Wherever we made our fire and shelter on Bind jareb Bood ja, we were in our territory and part of the Noongar Nation.