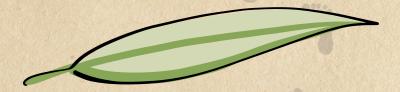


This booklet was created on Whadjuk Noongar boodja.

We acknowledge the traditional custodians throughout Western Australia and recognise the continuing connection of Indigenous people to their

land, waters, sky, culture and community.

We pay our respects to all Indigenous people of this land; ancestors, elders and young ones.



The front cover art is by Kyooya Designs - an Aboriginal business located in Perth, Western Australia, owned by sisters Chloe and Danikka Calyon.



l am:

years old

My name is:

Scan to discover the traditional owners of the land you live on!

country.

I live on _____

Take this booklet with you whenever you head into a national park. It will help you take a closer look at nature, feel more connected to the environment, and give you space to record the awesome things you see.



Keep an eye out for the sensory icons that will let you know what to expect.





Explorer's Checklist Be prepared for your adventure by taking these things with you. Hat Jumper or rain jacket if necessary Enclosed, comfortable walking shoes Suncreen Water bottle **Binoculars or camera** Every Kid in a Park booklet Pencil

Things to do at a national park

Animal charades Try to be a native animal, like a black cockatoo, Western swamp tortoise or leafy sea dragon!

What else could you do?

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Spot a native bird

Write your name in the ground with a stick

Plant

Pose



Go on an adventure around the park to discover how different everything feels. Try touching leaves, bark, and even the ground.



Try this: Choose one texture and see how quickly you can find it!

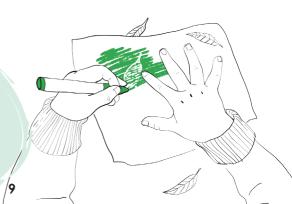


Record some of the textures you – discovered here...





Idea: Try pencil rubbing. Place an object on the other side of this page, and shade over it with your pencil.

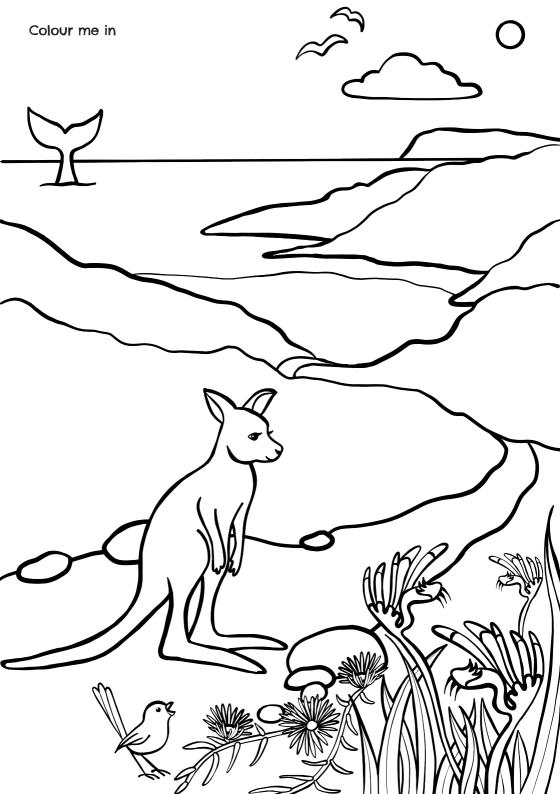






Can you find these things in nature? See if you can get four in a row.



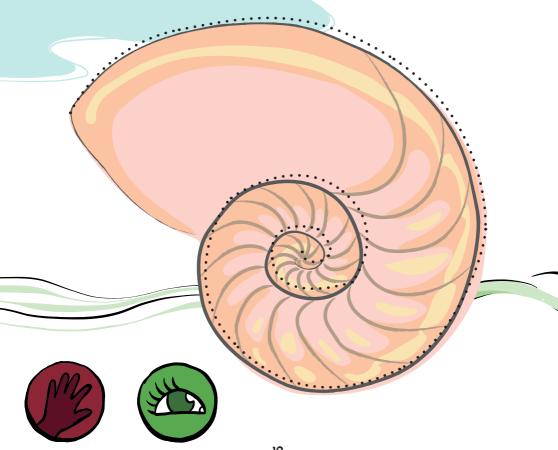


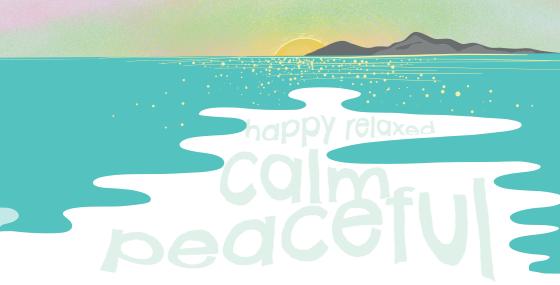
Connecting to Nature

Breathe in slowly while you trace the spiral of this shell from the centre, to the outside, with your finger.

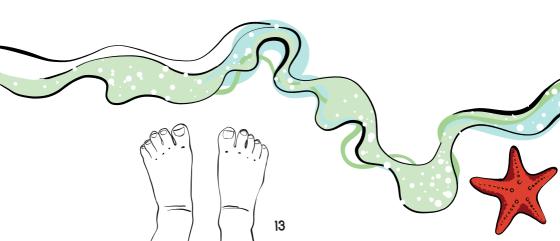
Breathe out as you go from the outside, back to the centre.

Do this a couple of times. Once you're an expert, try breathing in and out while you trace a spiral shape in other places - like in the dirt, on a tree trunk, or in the sky.





How do you feel after taking some deep breaths?





Can you guess...

- Whose tail is this?
- a) Numbat
- b) Ringtail possum
- c) Wallaby



Ringtail possum



Animals use their senses to take in the world around them.

Test some of your senses by closing your eyes and seeing if you can...

Describe what you can smell Point to the direction the wind is blowing

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Point to the sun

Hear any birds

Hear water, grass or leaves moving









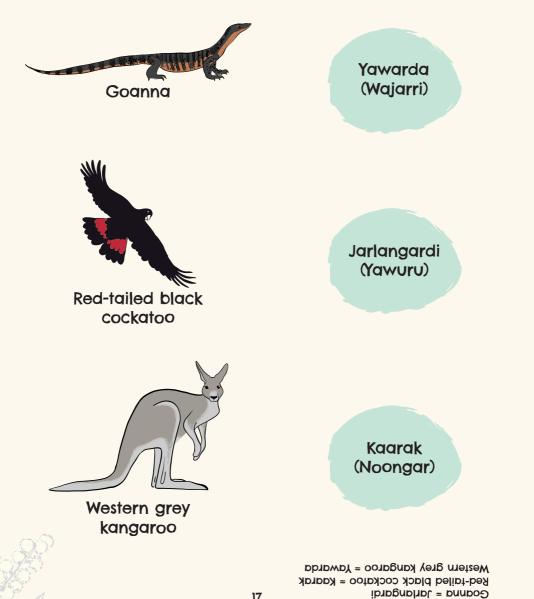


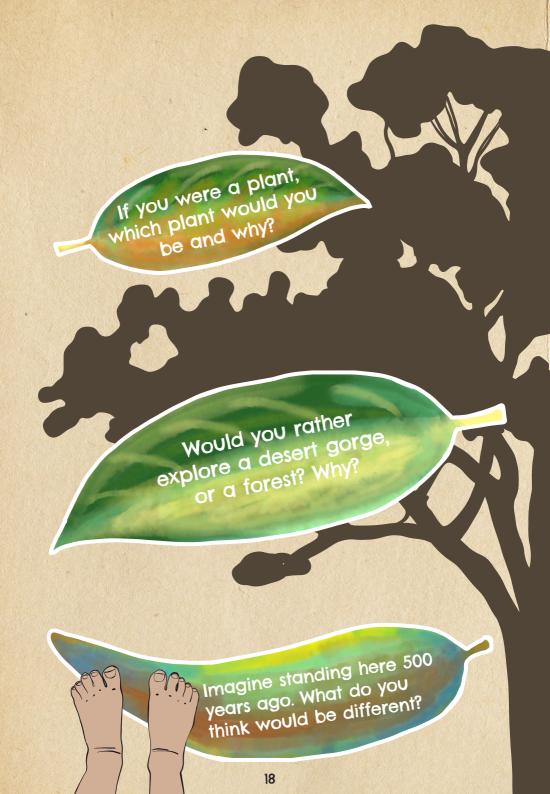
Share something cool you have seen today by drawing or writing about it. Whether it's an awesome animal, a pretty place, or an amazing plant, use your imagination to bring it to life.



Try to match these animals to their Aboriginal name in either:

- Noongar language (Perth, South West) •
- Wajarri language (Geraldton, Mid West) •
- Yawuru language (Broome and surrounds) •





The Thinking Tree

Think or talk about these questions as you explore the national park.

What is your favourite kind of weather for exploring outdoors?

What word would you Use to describe this national park?

For more conversation ideas, download the Talk N Walk app here.



Now we are home...

How do you feel after spending a day at a national park?



Can you think of one word to describe your day?

What was your favourite thing about today?

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My favourite WA animal:

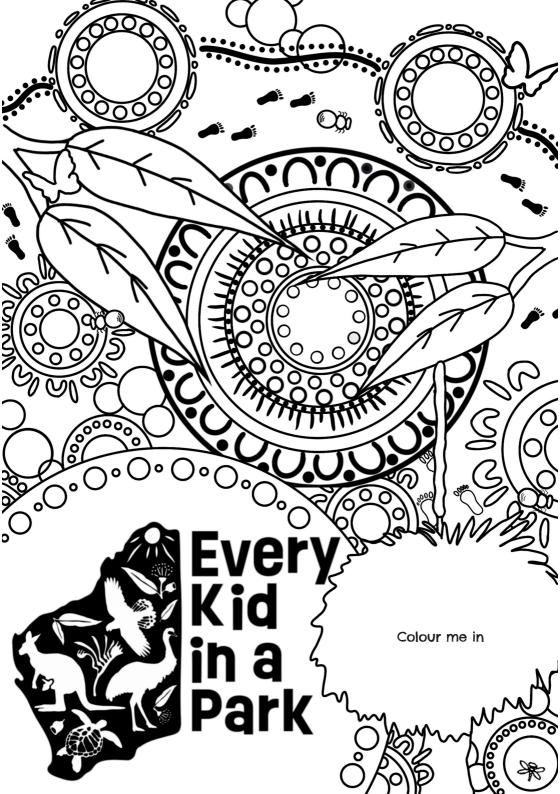


What other national parks would you like to explore?

Scan the QR code, or google Explore Parks WA, to do some research. Then, write or draw where you'd like to go next below!









Draw a symbol here that represents you





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