

TRAVEL ITINERARY

THE STIRLING RANGE NP VIA
THE HORSEPOWER HIGHWAY

Gnowangerup,
Western Australia

LEG 1

PERTH-KATANNING
280 KM

Head south on Albany Highway towards Katanning and stop by Williams Woolshed for a delicious brunch and coffee. Then continue south to enjoy the grand old buildings in Katanning: Kobeeyla House and the Premier Mill Hotel. The imposing 17-bedroom Kobeeyla was built in 1902 and was the first home in WA to be connected to electricity. The Premier Mill Hotel has become one of WA's foremost boutique hotels. Grab some lunch or if travelling with kids, the All-Ages Playground is a perfect stop for a self-catered picnic or a BBQ.

LEG 2

KATANNING- THE
HORSEPOWER
HIGHWAY 26 KM

Heading further south through Katanning, make a left turn just 5km after Broomehill Village and onto our feature: "The Horsepower Highway." WA's new outdoor art exhibition stretching 75km, through the Shire of Gnowangerup, to the Stirling Range NP. The Horsepower Highway is a 75 km art trail displaying vintage tractors telling stories of local history from within the region. Some are on display in their original working state, while others have been restored in a way that honours the local community. A fun, educational way to liven up your journey south or into the Stirling Range NP. Make sure you get the interactive map available via QR code, to track your trip, and make sure not to miss any instalments.

LEG 3

START POINT: HPHWY-
GNOWANGERUP 35 KM



As you drive along The Horsepower Highway, tap on each 'blue dot' of the interactive map to learn more about each installation. Stop safely and take photos to share! 'Old Monty' & 'Edward' are in a driveway, near ruins, but you are welcome to enter the area. Gnowangerup's MUST-SEE features include, "Lizzy", The Queen of the Highway, and Sue Codee's (Albany artist) cut-metal panels, both on the main street & each depicting a different aspect of life in the town. The murals on the grocery building, the "Ned Kelly" story & statue next to the Pub, & the hand-carved Malleefowl in the Shire offices are all part of the trail.

LEG 4

GNOWANGERUP-MT
TRIO CAMP 50 KM

The Shire of Gnowangerup has accommodation options available such as the Gnowangerup Caravan Park, and the Gnowangerup Short-stay Accommodation. In summer, walk across from the Caravan Park to the beautiful swimming complex. The Old Historic Machinery Shed near the Park's entry has a wonderful collection of vintage pieces curated from around the district. However, if you are keen to explore the Stirling Ranges in the morning, continue along The Horsepower Highway to the Mt Trio Bush Camp & Caravan Park, which have self-contained kitchens & amenities, or if you don't have your own 'roof', continue to the Stirling Range Retreat. Enjoy a night under stars & crisp-clear skies with a glass of red wine in the famous "Bluff Knoll Ski Club" toasting, marshmallows over a gorgeous campfire.

LEG 5

GNOWANGERUP/MT
TRIO VIA KOJONUP,
THEN HOME 450KM

After enjoying breakfast amongst the seasonal orchids, wildflowers and birdlife overlooking the Stirling Range NP, get the FREE Stirling Ranges Trails app and choose one (or more) of the 7 majestic trails to climb. In the afternoon, perhaps venture into the nearby Porongurup wine region for lunch or a cheeseboard & to select a bottle of local wine for the campfire this evening or to take with you. Alternatively, visit Gnowangerup's emblem at the Yongergnow Malleefowl Centre, in nearby Ongerup, or loop back home through Frankland River wine region with a stop off in Kojonup at Kodja Place taking some new memories with you.