


# WHALES AND TRAILS OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA - SMALL SHIP CRUISE

Long-awaited return to the remarkable Melanesian Islands through Papua New Guinea, the hidden Solomon Islands, and Vanuatu's ancient customs and traditions.



## ITINERARY

Day 1: Depart Fremantle | Walyalup

Arrive at Fremantle Berth C for boarding at 4:00pm, with time to settle into your stateroom. Take the time to become acquainted with all the facilities onboard. As dusk falls join guests and the friendly crew as we enjoy the Captain's Welcome Drinks and sit down to the first of many delicious dinners.

Rottnest Island | Wadjemup




Meet the Whadjuk Noongar people, who have been on this land for over 30,000 years and join a guided walk to learn about seasonal life, culture, and welcome ceremony. Join a guided walk on the Wadjemup Bidi trails. Whale-watching hotspots on this stop include Cape Vlamingh and West End (conditions permitting).

### Eagle Bay

Enjoy flexible exploration of Eagle Bay with two full days to walk Cape-to-Cape trail, with several opportunities to walk short, medium and long trails. In the afternoon, relax with sunset drinks as we cruise past Cape Naturaliste Lighthouse.

Optional Extra: Whale-watching charter from Dunsborough (additional cost) offers closer and additional encounters.

### Sea Day

Unwind after busy days ashore with time to relax on deck or in your stateroom. Join guest lectures from regional experts, enjoy a hosted wine tasting, and watch for whales from the ship as we cruise along the coast. Evenings bring good company, fine food, and the chance to slow down.

### Albany | Kinjarling

Discover Western Australia's oldest colonial town, rich with Minang Noongar heritage and maritime history. Learn how whaling shaped Albany's past, then in free time explore bicentenary exhibitions, galleries, and cultural events. Stroll through wildflower displays and uncover stories linking land, sea, and community.

### Point Ann & Whalebone Point

Walk the Point Ann Heritage Trail, or hike Mamang Trail and watch for whales from ashore and Xplorer tenders. Southern right whales are known to frequent in the area due to the sheltered bay. Enjoy snorkelling or kayak if conditions allow.

### Cheynes Beach

Cheynes Beach is another hub for southern right whales, as well as various other marine species from early winter to late spring. Here, learn about groundbreaking whale migration research and the Mirnong Maat tagging project. On land, search for rare birdlife like the elusive noisy scrub-bird and join a coastal walk into the Arpenteur Nature Reserve.

### Augusta

Wander beneath towering karri trees, the third tallest in the world on a guided loop walk through the Boranup Forest. During Kambarang, the 'season of rebirth', the forest bursts to life with wildflowers.

### Busselton | Undalup

As one of Western Australia's oldest settlements, Busselton is a hub for food, wines and spirits. Ride the small train or walk the iconic 1.8km jetty, explore heritage trails, art, and markets, or enjoy local produce at a cafe. With free time to wander, discover a vibrant coastal hub rich in culture and history.

### Day 11: Arrive Fremantle | Walyalup

This morning we arrive into the Port of Fremantle, C Berth, at 7:00am before disembarking at 8:00am. Post-cruise transfers will be provided to Perth Airport and CBD hotels in Fremantle and Perth.

### Please note:




Embrace the unexpected - it's part of the adventure. This itinerary is a guide. We adjust plans based on weather, tides, wildlife, and opportunities we encounter. Remote communities may be unavailable due to local customs. Flexibility makes expeditions special.




# YOUR SHIP: CORAL GEOGRAPHER

**YOUR SHIP:** **Coral Geographer**

**VESSEL TYPE:**

**LENGTH:**

**PASSENGER CAPACITY:**

**BUILT/REFURBISHED:**

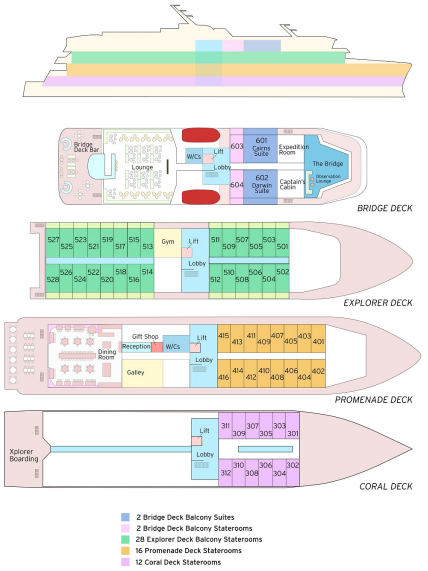
As a sister ship to Coral Adventurer, the Coral Geographer will be another authentic expedition ship. Designed as a 'next generation expedition ship', she is small enough to go to untouched places, focusing on bringing small numbers of like-minded guests closer to nature and cultures with personal attention and professional service. Coral Geographer will have 6 bridge deck suites with horizon bathtubs amongst her 60 cabins. The Coral Geographer features the trademark dual 'Xplorer' tenders cradled on a hydraulic platform slung off the back of the ship, enabling guests to go ashore in comfort and ease. The shallow draft of the ship enables us to go closer to shore than larger ships. Together with a renowned expedition team, this ship will offer the most advanced expedition capabilities of any small ship afloat. Comfort State of the art stabilisers will dampen any sea motion, mostly balcony cabins, and interiors designed with the colours and textures of tropical Queensland, the Coral Adventurer is a comfortable ship. She features promenade decks, generous communal areas, a passenger elevator, and an open kitchen where you can observe the chefs whip up small batch cuisine from locally sourced ingredients. Expedition capabilities > Two trademark Xplorer tenders seat all passengers and facilitate comfortable shore excursions > Six zodiacs for more intrepid exploration > Lecture lounge for daily expedition briefings and expert presentations > Small onboard library featuring books on destinations and wildlife > Shallow draft and advanced navigation and propulsion systems allowing access to locations closed to large cruise ships Marine immersion > Navigator lounge in the bridge > Over 1000 square metres of open deck space including a wrap-around promenade deck with panoramic views > Engine room tours and a high level of crew interaction with guests Food and wine features > Single seating dining with communal table serves buffet breakfast and lunch, and multi-course table d'hote dinners > Showcase galley with viewing window creating fresh small-batch cuisine featuring Australian and local produce > Multiple indoor and outdoor bars, including our Explorer bar on the sundeck for sunset drinks > Curated wine cellar featuring boutique wines and exceptional vintage Australian reds Guest comfort > All outside-facing guest cabins with en-suite bathrooms; the majority have a private balcony > Active stabilisers to dampen sea motion > Well-equipped gym > Passenger elevator > Wi-Fi available in all




guest areas




# INSIDE YOUR SHIP




Bridge Deck Balcony Suite



Coral Deck Stateroom



Explorer Deck Balcony Stateroom



Promenade Deck Stateroom






# PRICING

**14-Oct-2027 to 24-Oct-2027**

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| **Explorer Deck Balcony Stateroom** | **£8495 GBP pp** |
| **Promenade Deck Stateroom** | **£6325 GBP pp** |
| **Bridge Deck Balcony Suite** | **£9995 GBP pp** |
| **Coral Deck Stateroom** | **£5495 GBP pp** |