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Mandalay Beach

One of only three beaches in the Walpole area that is accessible by two-wheel drive, Mandalay is well worth the visit. The beach is named after the Norwegian barque Mandalay that was wrecked there in 1911.



Must see

Mandalay Beach is a great stop along the way between Manjimup and Walpole with its stunning coastal scenery and the chance of glimpsing parts of the wreck of the Mandalay.

On 15 May 1911, Captain Tonnessen and all 12 crew of the Mandalay miraculously made it safely ashore after becoming shipwrecked during treacherous winds. At the time, this was an extremely isolated stretch of coast and the men would have soon perished had it not been for a chance encounter with a local pioneer. A fascinating interpretation display overlooking the beach tells the story of the Mandalay.

Getting there

From Walpole: drive about 12km west on the South Western Highway, turn left on to Mandalay Beach Road. The car park is about 8km along a gravel road.

Travelling time

From Walpole: about 30 minutes by car.

What to do?

The wreck of the Mandalay is usually buried by sand but from time to time parts of the wreck are visible above the waves. You may also be lucky enough to see whales from the lookouts high above the beach.

This area is popular with anglers, but even if you don't fish it's worth the visit for the spectacular views of the Southern Ocean and Chatham Island that looms out of the ocean 3km offshore.

Fees

National park entry fees apply in D'Entrecasteaux National Park. Please refer to the Park visitor fees brochure. These fees contribute to the provision and maintenance of recreation facilities and visitor services in this park.

Leave No Trace

Plan ahead and prepare. Remember your safety is our concern but your responsibility.



Travel on durable surfaces. Help us to protect this fragile environment by keeping to the trails.

Dispose of waste properly. Take your rubbish with you.

Leave what you find. This area is home to many species. Respect this unique environment and leave it as you found it.

Minimise campfire impacts. Campfires are not permitted at Mandalay Beach.

Respect wildlife. Pets are not permitted.

Be considerate of other visitors.

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More information

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Coast risk area

This stretch of coast can be hazardous due to large, unpredictable waves and swells, slippery rocks and strong currents.

For your safety:

- always pay attention to the ocean
- keep well clear of the sea
- avoid slippery rocks and loose surfaces
- supervise children at all times
- notify a responsible person of your expected time of return.

Visit emergency.wa.gov.au for bushfire and smoke alert information.

Visit alerts.dbca.wa.gov.au for park, road and site closures.