



# Welcome to the heart of the Great Southern



An easy three-hour drive south-east of Perth, Katanning is the perfect base to explore Western Australia's Great Southern. This large and diverse region is a top tourist destination, featuring many natural scenic attractions, wildlife, heritage, wildflowers and genuine country hospitality.

KAAT-NYINY is a local Noongar word meaning the head sits here. It comes from the Dreamtime story of Mulka, a giant man whose body parts are embedded in country throughout the Great Southern Region.

Katanning is a scenic rural town with many stories to tell; stories of an ancient and modern history, strong ties to agriculture and the beauty of our landscape, the positive

influence of migration and the festivals and events that celebrate this unique place we call home.

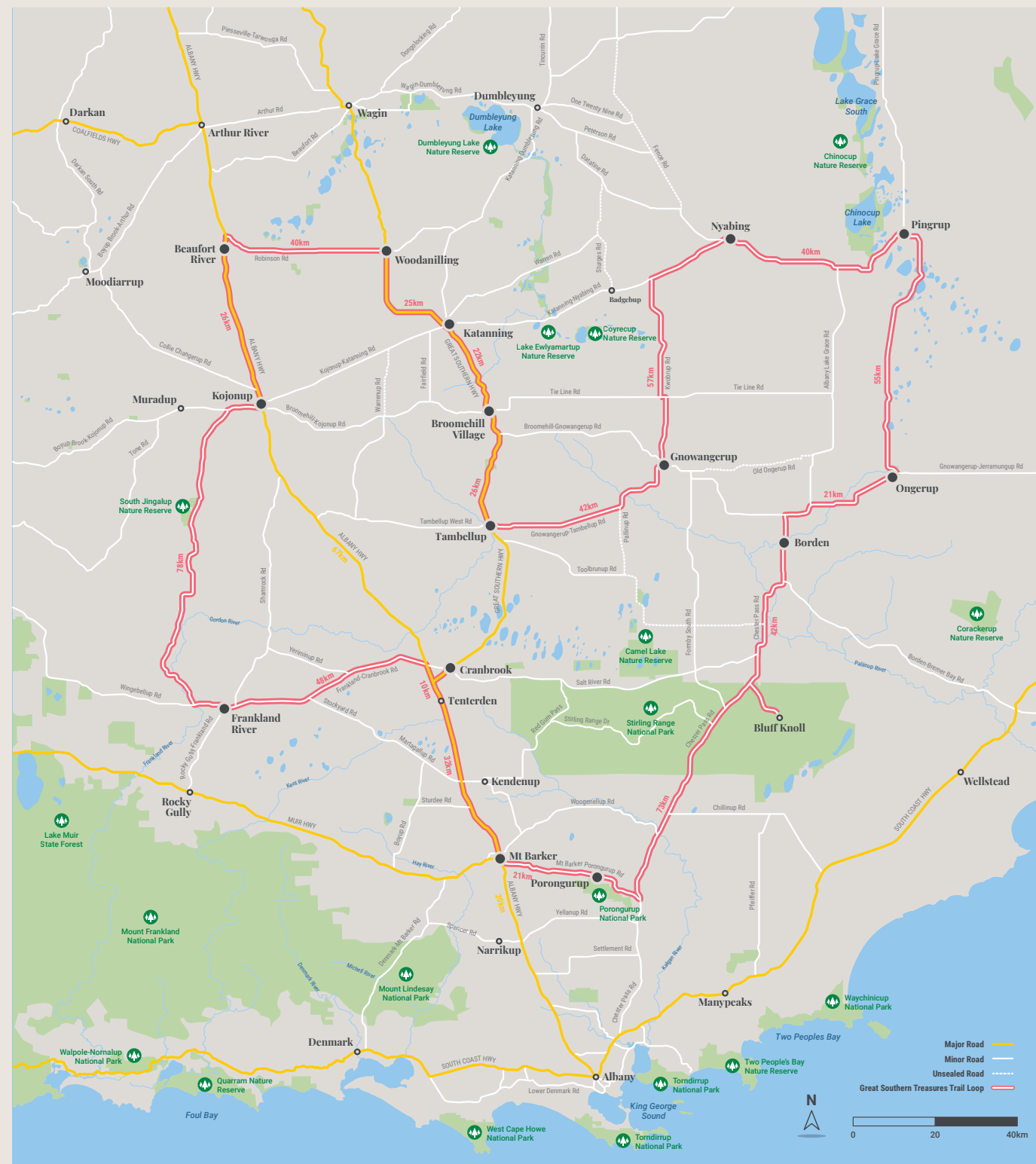
The most popular time to visit Katanning and its surrounding region is during the wildflower season from late winter through to spring when the landscape is at its most spectacular.



## Harmony Festival

Katanning proudly is the most multicultural community in Western Australia, with over 40 nationalities. The community harmoniously embraces a variety of different cultural and religious backgrounds and are proud to showcase this to visitors. It is truly the multicultural gem of the Great Southern.

Community events form the backbone of Katanning's social calendar. One of the most important community events on the social calendar is the Katanning Harmony Festival, held every March, where everyone comes together to learn more about the various cultures in town – the food, entertainment, historical stories, and shared experiences.



## Great Southern Treasures

Katanning is the perfect base for exploring the Great Southern region with an array of easy daytrips. Our full drive trail is over 800kms in length and crosses eight Shire boundaries. For suggested itineraries visit the Great Southern Treasures website.

[greatsouthern treasures.com.au](http://greatsouthern treasures.com.au)



### FORM & Local Art Murals

In 2017 the PUBLIC Silo Trail stopped off in Katanning. Without a grain silo in town a series of Western Power electrical transformer boxes and walls in the town centre were transformed with murals by prominent Western Australian artists Brenton See, Chris Nixon, Darren Hutchens and Mel McVee. The artists were joined by visiting international light calligrapher Karim Jabbari, connecting youth with creativity for social good.

[publicsilotrail.com/katanning/](http://publicsilotrail.com/katanning/)



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| <b>A</b> <b>St Patrick's school</b><br><i>Mel McVee</i><br>37 Amherst Street                   | <b>J</b> <b>Co-Op IGA</b><br><i>Margaret Innes &amp; David Papenfus</i><br>74 Austral Terrace                                      |
| <b>B</b> <b>Katanning Primary school</b><br><i>Darren Hutchens</i><br>15 Dore Street           | <b>K</b> <b>Pink Lady</b><br><i>Margaret Innes &amp; David Papenfus</i><br>125 Clive Street  |
| <b>C</b> <b>Katanning Senior school</b><br><i>Darren Hutchens</i><br>2-8 Golf Links Road       | <b>L</b> <b>Betta Electrical</b><br><i>Margaret Innes &amp; David Papenfus</i><br>Cnr Austral Terrace and Arbour Street            |
| <b>D</b> <b>Braeside Primary school</b><br><i>Chris Nixon</i><br>Carinya Gardens               | <b>M</b> <b>Katanning Stock and Trading</b><br><i>Margaret Innes &amp; David Papenfus</i><br>Cnr Albion Street and Austral Terrace |
| <b>E</b> <b>Woolworths carpark</b><br><i>Mel McVee</i><br>Clive Street                         | <b>N</b> <b>Nelsons Dry Cleaning</b><br><i>Margaret Innes &amp; David Papenfus</i><br>145 Clive Street                             |
| <b>F</b> <b>Cafe on clive</b><br><i>Brenton See</i><br>Corner of Clive Street and Carew Street | <b>O</b> <b>Katanning Jumbuck Motel</b><br><i>Margaret Innes &amp; David Papenfus</i><br>38 Albion Street                          |
| <b>G</b> <b>Old Shire Office</b><br><i>Chris Nixon</i><br>16-24 Austral Terrace                |  |
| <b>H</b> <b>Town Hall</b><br><i>Karim Jabbari</i><br>16-24 Austral Terrace                     |  |
| <b>I</b> <b>Hub CRC</b><br><i>Dipesh "peche" Prasard</i><br>42 Austral Terrace                 |  |



## Visitor Information Centre

The Katanning Visitors Centre is located at the Katanning Hub CRC and is often the first point of contact when visitors arrive in town.

Call in to the Centre and speak to the friendly staff who will be able to help you plan your stay, provide free maps and offer advice on what to see and do in the region. Visitors can also purchase tickets to travel on the TransWA bus from the Centre.

The Visitor Information Centre also has a small range of Katanning souvenirs if you are wanting to remember your trip to our town.

42 Austral Terrace, Katanning WA 6317  
Phone: 0477 493 141  
[katanninghub.com](http://katanninghub.com)

Open Monday to Friday 9.00am - 4.00pm  
Closed Saturday to Sunday



## History

### Kobeelya 9

Kobeelya, meaning 'place of peace' was built in 1902 as a home for the Piesse family. Kobeelya School Museum houses an extensive collection of memorabilia. Open by appointment, please call 9821 2214.

### Katanning Historical Society Museum

Originally Katanning's first government school, opened in 1896, the Museum is full of interesting artefacts and memorabilia along with some fascinating records of Katanning's early history. Open by appointment, please call 0477 493 141.

### Heritage Rose Garden

Located opposite the Town Hall, this picturesque garden offers visitors a place to relax. The garden incorporates a Noongar Time Walk, Malay mosaic, the Pioneer Women's clock and Rose Garden.

## Fly Your Flag 2

After almost two years of planning and preparation 20 flag poles and flags were unfurled at the Katanning Lions Park on 18 March 2016. The poles proudly display some of the diverse nationalities living in town.

More than 20 flags were donated so the flags will be rotated every March and September. The Australian and Aboriginal flag will remain permanently.



**Kaya, wondoo baalup, marmun, yorga, koolungar Kenany Boodja.**

**Hello, welcome all men, women, children to Katanning country.**

The Shire of Katanning respectfully acknowledges the past and present traditional owners of the land on which we stand, the Noongar people and the Noongar people who are the custodians.

Together we acknowledge the contributions of Aboriginal Australians and non-Aboriginal Australians in this country we all live in and share together.

*Thank you for visiting Katanning, see you next time!*

### Get Social

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