

# West Coast Escapes

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# Wineries & Food

Unless you're a wine aficionado, Western Australia's epicurean delights might come as a complete surprise. Yet even devotees of the divine vine might find the southwest's cuisine, shaped by access to wonderful seafood and waves of migration, a pleasant revelation.

## Perth

**1** Welcome to the boom town, where top chefs vie for the attention of mining magnates with world-class cuisine (p65). Generations of Mediterranean migration have left a mark, as has the state capital's proximity to Southeast Asia.

## Margaret River

**2** The state's premier wine region (p125) satisfies lovers of wine, food, surf and natural beauty in equal measure. Enjoy a long lunch between the vines, with tastings and beaches slotted in on either side.

## Bushtucker

**3** While many Indigenous foodstuffs like kangaroo and emu have well and truly crossed into the mainstream, Aboriginal-led bushtucker tours offer an opportunity to sample the lesser known edible elements of WA's native flora and fauna.

## The Sunday Session

**4** A WA institution that consists of a long, lazy afternoon at the pub. It reaches its zenith on the coast, where you can watch the weekend sun sink into the sea, but it's equally honoured anywhere with a beer garden.

## Great Southern Wine Region

**5** Whether at the foot of the Porongurup Range (p153) or near Denmark's beaches (p143) these vines have got it good. The cooler southern climes produce sophisticated wines.

### Clockwise from top left

**1.** Rialto's, Perth **2.** Grape vines, Margaret River **3.** Edible witchety grubs **4.** Red Teapot, Perth



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