

Eyre Bird Observatory

A place you must visit...

- over 240 bird species
- advice on bird watching
- scientific library accessible to guests
- beach walks with many shore birds and seabirds to observe
- self-guided bush walks and nature trails
- isolation in a pristine environment
- stargazing in clear night skies
- accommodation in the heritage-listed 1897 Eyre Telegraph Station
- telegraph museum
- whales and dolphins (June to November)
- observe native wildlife and flowers on our bush-trails
- some specialised courses are conducted
- visitors welcome to participate in ongoing research projects



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Let the next footprints be yours

NUYTSLAND NATURE RESERVE
Eyre Bird Observatory is situated in a nature reserve. Therefore, camping, firearms and pets are prohibited.

ACCOMMODATION

Basic accommodation, including three meals, is available with shared bathroom and toilet facilities. Bed linen is not normally supplied, so you need to bring your own pillowcase and sheets or a sleeping bag.

BOOKINGS

Please contact the caretakers prior to your visit for advice on road conditions and also to ensure accommodation availability.
Guests with 2WD staying 2 or more nights may be picked up from the Lookout with prior notice.
Credit card facilities are available.

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BIRD STUDIES

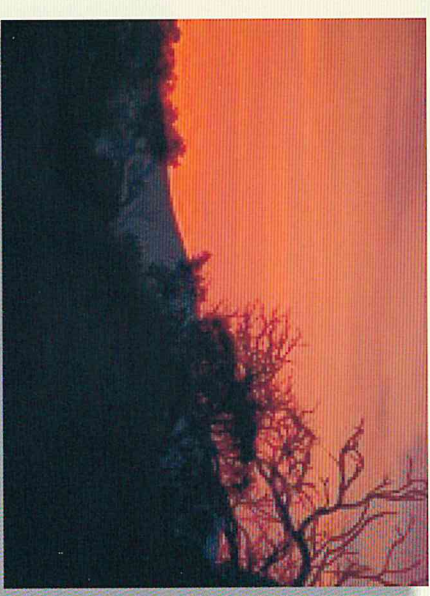
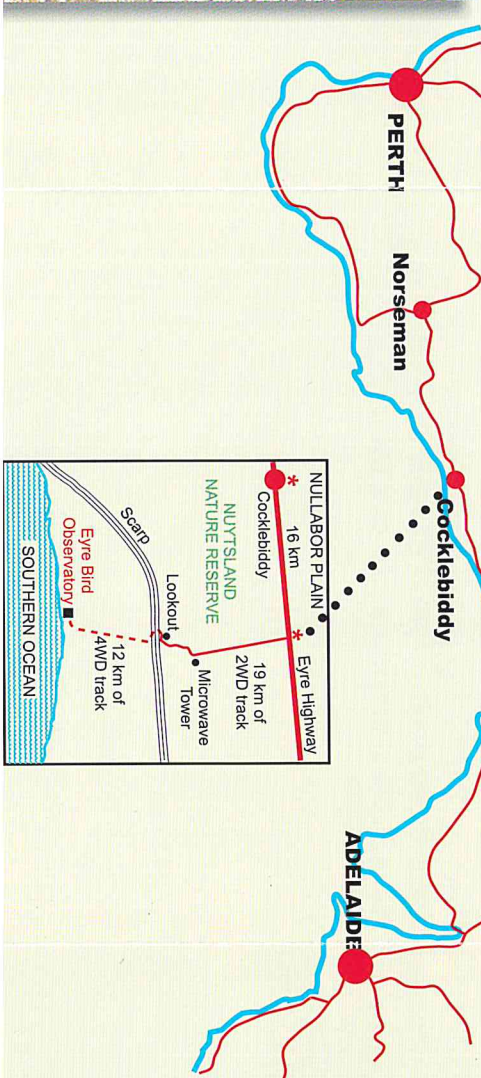
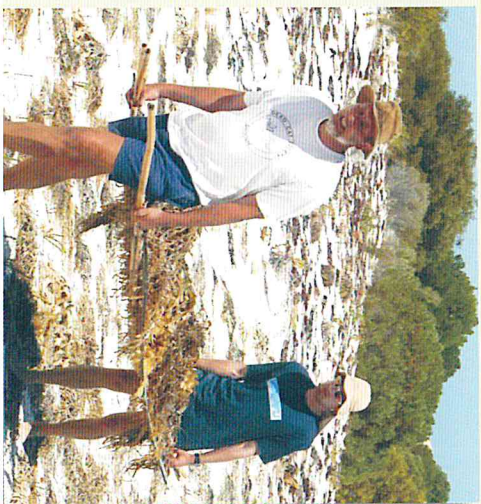
Activities include bird banding, regular bird counts in the mallee and a weekly count of shore birds and seabirds on Kanidai Beach.

COURSES

The observatory offers courses which vary from year to year. Topics have included birds, mammals, reptiles, plants, photography, history, music, stargazing and art. Special effort has also gone into the stabilisation of nearby dunes. This work is being carried out regularly.

ACTIVITIES AT EYRE

The area is dense mallee, separated from the Southern Ocean by towering white sand dunes. There are plenty of outdoor activities for visitors to pursue including birdwatching, bushwalking, beach-combing, photography and painting. Visitors may wish to participate in studies conducted at the observatory. We recommend overnight stays. Day visitors with their own transport (4WD) are welcome.



THE BUILDING

The observatory is situated in the heritage-listed Eyre Telegraph Station (built 1897). The Eyre Telegraph Station was abandoned in 1927. In 1977 the building was restored and became Australia's first bird observatory and has been operating as a bird observatory since then.

WEATHER

Eyre Bird Observatory is an official weather station, reporting three times daily to the Bureau of Meteorology.