"Everything, all the animals, birds, people and seasonal changes, comes from the country, and the country is Pukarrikarrajangka. Ngurra Yalawarra. Everything sits in the belly of the country. We stand here as Karajarri, from Pukarrikarra ('Dreamtime'). Wildlife, the White man calls it, but it’s from Pukarrikarra. Like the water, it’s our life. We want to look after that country for our young people. We belong to that country." - Donald Grey Wuntupu, 1999

Introduction
Karajarri people welcome you to their Indigenous Protected Area (IPA), and in particular Mirntanymartaji and Punturrpumnturr country. This guide provides some information to ensure you have an enjoyable and safe stay on Karajarri Ngurra whilst also helping to preserve and improve this beautiful area for future use.

In 2014 Karajarri Traditional Owners declared a protected area over much of their land estate. This was supported by the Federal and State Governments, the Kimberley Land Council, neighbouring pastoral stations and other stakeholders. To assist in the planning and development of the IPA, Karajarri people have developed a management plan which provides direction for addressing threats and for focusing on priorities for land and cultural management.

The Karajarri Traditional Owners have introduced a Protected Area Visitor Permit (PAVP). They recognise that tourism can have positive benefits for the community; however, they want to manage its environmental and cultural impacts. The Karajarri people do not want anyone to come to harm while visiting their land and ask you to respect and enjoy their beautiful country, as they have for thousands of years.

Revenue raised from the PAVP will go into operational budgets for the Karajarri Rangers, who manage this land. Your purchase of this guide will help provide employment for Indigenous men and women to look after country.
Activities the rangers undertake on the special places around Mirntanymartaji and Purnturrpurnturr include:
• Grading and maintaining roads
• Upgrading car parks
• Building walking trails and shelters
• Developing and printing interpretative materials
• Fuel-reduction burning and fighting wildfires
• Undertaking biodiversity surveys
• Tackling feral animal and noxious weed infestations
• Building cultural tourism enterprises.

Through the introduction of this PAVP we hope to enhance the experience for all who visit our country.

Mirntanymartaji and Purnturrpurnturr country

Mirntanymartaji (Gourdon Bay) has high sand-dunes and a rocky coastline with Tarrkatarrkangurru (Saddle Hill) at the southern end. In Gourdon Bay the Pukarrkarrka spirit being, Karampal, always provides plenty of fish on the reef. Historically, pearl lugger crews visited this coast for water and wood, to avoid the long trip around to the Port Smith Lagoon.

The land surrounding Port Smith includes white sand dunes and sandstone rock formations. The dunes all along this coast contain the buried remains of our ancestors, which sometimes become exposed. We want to ensure that these remains are not disturbed or interfered with.

How to buy a Protected Area Visitors Permit (PAVP)

You can pay for your permit in two ways:
• By cash and in person at the Port Smith Caravan Park
• By credit card at PSCP or online (website to be confirmed). You do not require a PayPal account to use the online service.

Your permit will serve as a tax receipt.

In Pukarrkarrka a snake (pulany) went underground from there and came out from a big hole at the entrance of this lagoon. The hole has ‘no bottom’ and forms a whirlpool when the tide goes out. It is a sacred place.

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Permit conditions

A permit will be issued subject to the following conditions:
• No overnight camping except at Port Smith Caravan Park
• By credit card at PSCP or online (website to be confirmed). You do not need a PayPal account to use the online service.
• Your permit will serve as a tax receipt.
• Please make sure that the information you enter in your application is correct before you proceed to payment; once you have paid, details can only be changed by contacting the system administrator.

A PAVP will only be issued once it has been paid for. It is valid for the vehicle, number of persons and time period indicated on the permit. The standard permit fees are:

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Pukarrkarrka is a sacred place.
damage or injury of any kind occurring on Aboriginal land, whether it be by fault, default or negligence.

- Visiting areas of native title land not authorised by this permit may constitute trespass.
- The permit does not authorise the bearer to enter a dwelling, community or living area belonging to Aboriginal people without the consent of the owner, occupant or community.
- The permit does not authorise any other activity apart from tourism.
- The permit holder will at all times:
  - Comply with any reasonable request or directions by the Traditional Owners or ranger groups while on native title land.
  - Comply with any directional or other signs.
  - Comply with directions for caring for the IPA outlined in this guide.
  - The permit holder and other persons travelling with them are aware that persons who excavate, destroy, damage, conceal or in any way alter an Aboriginal site commit an offence under the Aboriginal Heritage Act 1972, which attracts criminal and civil penalties.
- The permit does not authorise the discharge of firearms on native title land.
- The permit is automatically revoked if the permit holder or any person travelling with them breaches any of the conditions of the permit.
- The permit only allows travel along tracks identified on the map included in this brochure – no driving off-track.
- Refunds cannot be given. Please be consider this before purchasing the permit.

Being on country

- Protect our plants and animals, please do not remove plants or disturb wildlife.
- Only take enough fish to eat during your stay – leave some for next time.
- No big fires, only make a fire for cooking.
- Shells look better on the beach than on your shelves; they also provide habitat for hermit crabs and other creatures, such shell collecting is prohibited.
- Clean up any rubbish.
- No drag-netting.
- No firearms.
- Certain areas on Karajarri country are off limits. Sensitive areas, burial grounds and law grounds are “No Go.” If you are unsure, please ask a Traditional Owner or ranger, who will advise you correctly.

Safety on country

The Kimberley is a wild and remote place. When travelling and exploring the region it is advisable to take these precautions:

- Bring safety equipment such as a first-aid kit, plenty of fresh water, and vinegar for stings.
- Respect wildlife and avoid snakes, crocodiles, marine stingers, sea snakes, and mosquitoes.
- Charge your phone before you go out.
- Be sun-smart: avoid excessive exercise in the midday heat.
- Tell someone where you’re going before you go.
- Watch out for the high tides.
- Don’t speed on tracks: maximum 40km/hour.
- Be aware of sunset times when out walking; the sun goes down quickly.
- Be careful around the Gourdon Bay cliffs.

Future plans

Over the coming year the Karajarri Rangers will be conducting work to improve the experience and opportunities for visitors to Mirntanymartaji and Purnturrpurnturr country.

- A Bynoe’s gecko (Heteronotia binoei) found during biodiversity surveys at Saddle Hill.
Karajarri - Mirntanymartaji country
Visitor access map - all visitors must have a permit

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Karajarri people caring for country
You are welcome on Mirntanymartaji and Purnturrpurnturr country

You are welcome on Mirntanymartaji and Purnturrpurnturr country; however, you must obtain a Protected Area Visitors Permit and respect the wishes of the Karajarri people at tourist sites. The table below lists the activities you can do at each site. We know that many visitors have been coming to Mirntanymartaji and Purnturrpurnturr for a long time without having to pay for a permit, and we appreciate your cooperation and understanding.

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• No drag netting  
• No camping |
| Purnturrpurnturr - Port Smith      | Fishing, walking, crabbing, sunset viewing, swimming | • No camping  
• No drag netting  
• Keep off limestone area |
| Saddle Hill/cliffs                 | Fishing, walking, sunset viewing, wildlife viewing, swimming | • No camping  
• Stick to tracks and car park  
• Follow signage |
| Mirntanymartaji - Gourdon Bay      | Fishing, walking, sunset viewing, wildlife viewing, swimming | • No camping  
• Stick to tracks and car park  
• Follow signage |
| Injudine Creek and False Cape Bossut | No access                                      | No access                                   |

In recent years many people have been visiting places outside the areas listed above. For environmental, cultural and economic reasons important to the Karajarri people, visitor access is now restricted to the places listed. In the future other areas may be opened to visitors in this special coastal area.

More information

For further information or to provide feedback please contact the Karajarri Healthy Country Program on (08) 9194 0100 or (08) 9191 8007 or email: karajarri.admin@klc.org.au

Thank you for visiting Mirntanymartaji and Purnturrpurnturr country