

El Questro Wilderness Park

Explore 1 million acres in
The Kimberley

Camping & Bungalows

Tented Cabins

Luxury Homestead



EL QUESTRO
WILDERNESS PARK

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What is El Questro?

El Questro is a spectacular wilderness park located in the East Kimberley and is almost 1,000,000 acres. The Kimberley region is 1.7 times the size of the UK and almost 10 times the size of Switzerland. Boasting rugged landscapes and native flora and fauna, it is one of Australia's last frontiers. That means there's a lot of room to move and even more things to see.



Why visit?

Landscape

The landscape is diverse, with broad tidal flats and rugged sandstone ranges, to rainforest pockets, gorges and waterfalls.

Nature

Animal and bird life congregate at waterholes and the four river systems are home to all kinds of fish, including the mighty Barramundi.

Adventure

Join our rangers on one of the tours available, try your hand at Barra' fishing or explore the many canyons and gorges by boat, on foot or from the air.

Where can I stay at El Questro Wilderness Park?

The Station

The Station is a tranquil oasis, offering air-conditioned Bungalows and camping on the Pentecost River in the heart of the wilderness park.



Camping at The Station.

Emma Gorge Resort

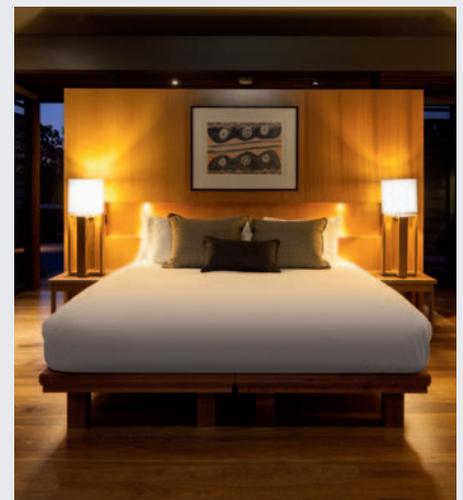
Begin your outback adventure at Emma Gorge Resort with Tented Cabins beside Emma Gorge Creek.



Tented cabins at Emma Gorge.

The Homestead

Escape from it all while enjoying the luxury of El Questro Homestead surrounded by the rugged Kimberley landscape.



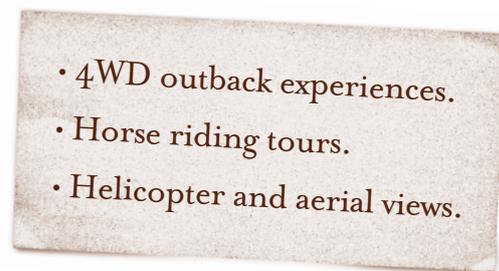
Luxury at The Homestead.



Sunset in the Cockburn Range.

Guided Tours & Kimberley Icons

You could stay at El Questro for a year and still not come close to experiencing everything this magnificent part of the world has to offer. At El Questro, you can choose to explore it alone on any one of our walking trails or join one of our guided tours to the far reaches of the park.



Guided Park Tours

The Chamberlain Gorge Cruise

The gorge is one of the best introductions to El Questro. You'll glide peacefully down the gorge enjoying sparkling wine and the diverse flora and fauna; resident Rock Wallabies, Johnston Crocodiles and the always cheeky Archer Fish are familiar inhabitants of the gorge.

El Questro's Big Day Out

The Big Day Out tour circumnavigates the Cockburn Ranges, following in the drover's footsteps as the Karunje track leads you over the mud flats and on to Wyndham. Visit the Boab Prison Tree, see the station's cattle and enjoy a superb lunch prepared by El Questro Chefs.

Explosion Gorge & Brancos Lookout Sunset Tour

This rough and rugged 4 wheel drive track extends along the Chamberlain River then drops steeply down to the riverbed. Once there, you'll cruise Explosion Gorge before heading back up for a striking sunset at Branco's lookout.

Bungle Bungles Full Day Tour

Experience the World Heritage Listed Purnululu National Park, home to the Bungle Bungle Range. Your unforgettable walk along Piccaninny Creek to Cathedral Gorge will indulge you in history before joining a guided walk along the ancient dry bed of Piccaninny Creek and inspect the 350-million-year-old and black striped beehive domes up close. The flight home to El Questro will encompass an orbit of the Argyle Diamond Mine.

Guided Nature Excursions

Bush Culture and History Tour

Our experienced rangers will give you an insight into the pioneering heritage and former characters of The Station, as well as an overall bush awareness experience which includes traditional medicine, hunting techniques, tracking and use of fire.

Horse Riding

A horseback tour is a great way to get off the beaten track and explore the otherwise restricted country. All trail horses at The Station are ex-stock and race horses. Please note: not recommended for inexperienced riders.

Bird Watching

The park attracts over 100 different bird species including Rainbow Bee Eaters, dancing Brolgas and even the once near extinct Gouldian Finch. Binoculars and field guides provided.

Fishing Trips

Guided Barramundi 4WD Fishing Tours

Boat to the best spots on the river where the local guides know where the big ones are! It's a golden opportunity to hook one of Australia's greatest trophy fish. All levels of fishing skills are welcome.

Helicopter Fishing

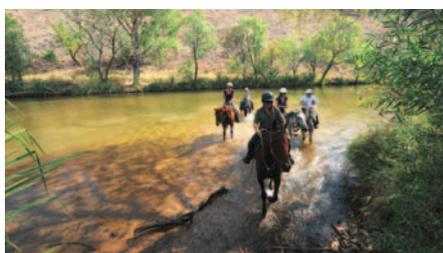
For the ultimate fishing experience in untouched waters you can always try our helicopter fishing experience. Fly open door to the edges of the park and fish in all the best spots.

Boat Hire

Explore the famous Chamberlain Gorge and El Questro waterholes at your leisure from your personal hire boat. Grab a picnic and head out for an unforgettable experience. A boat license is not required and fishing gear is available for purchase.



Fishing for Barramundi on the Chamberlain River.



Exploring The Station by horseback.



The ideal way to see Explosion Gorge.

El Questro From Above

Scenic Helicopter Flights

From 20 minutes +

Perhaps the best way to appreciate the vastness and diversity of El Questro is from a scenic flight. An open door helicopter ride over the park is an experience of a lifetime.

Amaroo Falls

2.5 hours

Discovered in the South East of the property in April 2010, Amaroo Falls is the newest jewel in El Questro's crown. Only accessible by helicopter, the majestic setting at the top of one of our highest waterfalls offers an entralling guided walk.

Miri Miri Waterfall Scenic Tour

2 hours

Fly by helicopter to a remote corner of the Park where you will find Miri Miri cascading over a 50 m drop. A somewhat steep walk will reward you with your own private swimming hole set in lush bushland. Unreachable by road or on foot, Miri Miri offers an intimate, romantic excursion that is only enjoyed by a select few.

The Lost City Caves By Helicopter

1.5 hours

At the top of El Questro Gorge lies a newly discovered ancient land. Let a ranger guide you through the intricate rock formations and cave systems carved out through time. A reasonable level of fitness is required as the tour requires scaling around crevices, crawling through openings and maneuvering through the darkness of the caves.



El Questro by helicopter is a truly amazing way to see the diversity of the land.

Self Guided Hiking Discoveries

The Emma Gorge Trail

1.6km each way

Emma Gorge is one of the most spectacular gorges of The Kimberley. Enjoy an invigorating one hour walk and be rewarded by reaching a large cool waterhole, perfect for a well deserved swim. Set at the base of a towering 65 m chasm, the waterhole is graced by a droplet waterfall.

El Questro Gorge Trail

1.3km to point 1, 3.4km to end (4.7km each way).

El Questro Gorge is an enjoyable trek along a narrow spring-fed creek. Walk through palm and fern clad escarpments to a small swimming hole where you can relax and take in the rainforest environment.

Amalia Gorge Trail

1.7km each way

This steep sided valley walk takes you through Amalia Gorge offering spectacular views of an 1800 million year old landscape. This challenging and adventurous walk, which requires some climbing and rock-hopping, leads you past numerous clear pools to multi-tiered half way pools and cascading waterfalls.

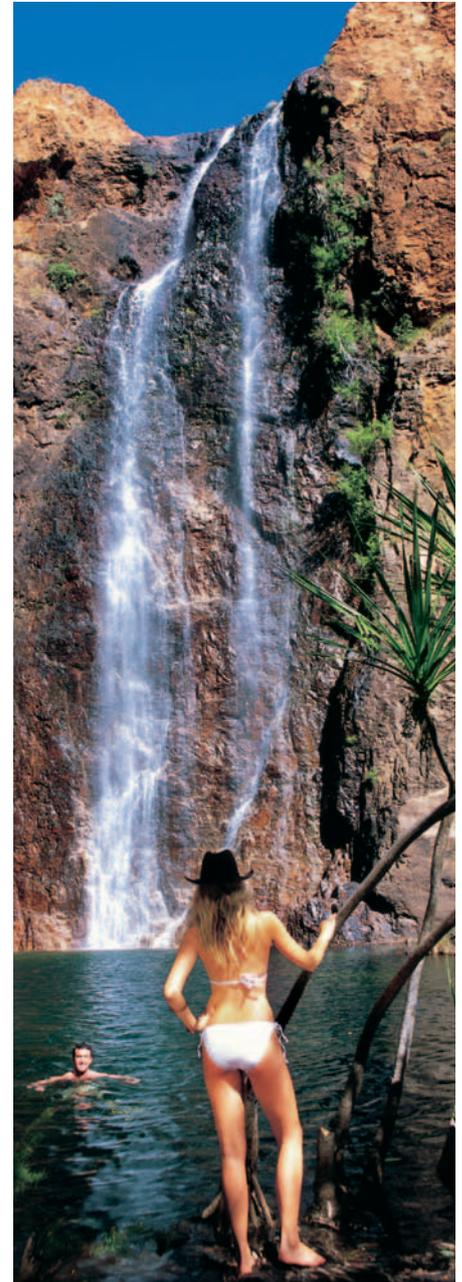
Zebedee Springs

750m each way

A short walk through dense, tropical vegetation leads to a series of rocky thermal pools and small waterfalls. Set amongst a back drop of sheer cliffs and Livistonia palms, Zebedee Springs is a magical place to relax and rejuvenate after a busy day.



View from Amaroo.



Take a dip at Miri Miri Falls.



An enjoyable trek through the wilderness.



The Station at El Questro

The Station is the heart of El Questro. It's a vibrant area on The Pentecost River – a place to catch up with fellow travellers in a relaxed atmosphere (The Swinging Arm Bar to be exact) and organise your next day's adventure.

It's also a great place for kids to experience an old fashioned family holiday; they can swim in the (crocodile free) swimming hole and see the kind of wildlife they would never see in the city. At The Steakhouse Restaurant you can dine on succulent beef and Barramundi accompanied by some of Western Australia's finest wines, or finish off a day of exploring The Kimberley around the campfire at the Swinging Arm Bar.

- Comfortable Bungalows or Camping.
- Access to diverse outback experiences.
- Authentic Australian cuisine.

The Station Bungalows

On the banks of The Pentecost, the Bungalows are ideal for travellers who want to be at the hub of all the action El Questro has to offer. They're perfect for families and people who would prefer a few more of the comforts of home. They include air-conditioning, private ensuite and most have a balcony overlooking the river.

Camping

Camping is one of the best ways to connect to the inspiring El Questro landscape. Choose from two distinct styles of camping:

Black Cockatoo Campground

An open green space along the Pentecost River with a naturally formed waterhole for a refreshing dip. This site provides close access to all amenities and features of The Station including bathrooms and showers, shops and restaurants.

Private Campsites

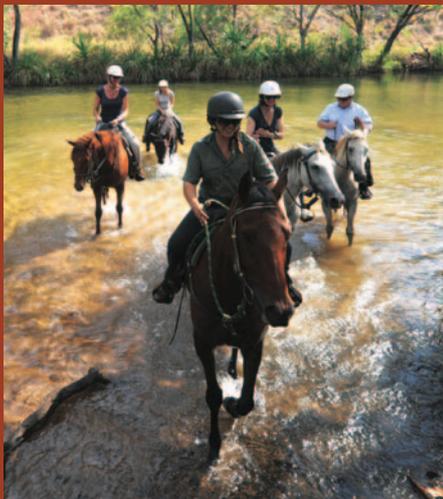
These unique sites are cleared, hand picked locations dotted along the Pentecost River and spaced a discrete distance apart from each other with shared amenities.

Caravans and Campervans

Caravans and campervans are welcome at The Station, however we recommend off road vans given the conditions of the area.

Facilities & Amenities

- The Swinging Arm Bar
- The Steakhouse Restaurant
- The Station Store & Café
- The heart of El Questro
- Access to all of El Questro's outback and scenic tours
- Shared laundry facilities
- Bathrooms and Showers for campers
- Fuel supply (diesel and unleaded)
- Basic supplies at the store
- Wifi
- Gas bottle refills



Horse riding at El Questro.



Bungalows – ideal for those who prefer a few more creature comforts.



Private riverside camping on the Pentacost River.



Emma Gorge Resort at El Questro

Emma Gorge is one of Australia's treasures, hidden within the fiery red cliffs of the Cockburn Ranges. The gorge opens up to reveal a cascading waterfall and a huge turquoise waterhole. Emma Gorge Resort, nestled between palms and pandanus with the towering ranges in the background is just 2 km off the sealed Gibb River Road and central to El Questro's major attractions.

- Natural and comfortable tented cabins.
- True resort style facilities in The Kimberley.
- Open air restaurant with sumptuous fresh food.
- Closest property to Emma Gorge.



Tented cabin surrounded by natural beauty.

Accommodation

You'll be staying in the resort's tented cabins each with private ensuite. Raised roofs allow the tropical outback scents and sounds of bird life to filter through. It's a rare chance to stay in comfort while remaining close to nature in complete harmony with the surrounds.

Dining

Our chefs prepare authentic lunch and dinner menus featuring modern Australian cuisine, all served in our open air restaurant with a retractable roof for star gazing.

Of course, all are welcome to stop into Emma Gorge Resort for a spot of lunch and a chance to visit the Gorge itself.

Resort Facilities

The resort features landscaped gardens that link the lounge area, pool, restaurant and reception to your accommodation.

Day trippers are very welcome and Wilderness Park day passes are available for those visiting Emma Gorge Resort for one day only. Enjoy delicious cuisine, and a variety of El Questro experiences.



Wake up to the Cockburn Ranges.



Sumptuous fresh food.



Dine under the stars.



Hike to Emma Gorge and enjoy a refreshing dip.



El Questro Homestead

In the middle of almost 1 million acres of wilderness park and 100km from the nearest town, the luxury of the El Questro Homestead sits in stark contrast to Western Australia's rugged Kimberley landscape. Set on a clifftop, and catering for just 18 guests, this is the luxury base for guests to explore the diverse Kimberley landscape – some of it untouched – with intimate Ranger led tours. Soak in the Zebedee Thermal Springs, cruise private gorges, rivers and waterfalls, explore from the air, horseride or hike the terrain on foot.

- Boutique property with just 9 rooms and suites.
- Personalised and intimate touring experiences.
- Gourmet dining in dramatic locations.



Private and luxurious accommodation.

Accommodation

The Homestead has just 9 rooms, all of which have their own private verandah, some with outdoor baths, overlooking the river or garden. Guests will enjoy gourmet meals and beverages and can use the surrounding environment as their very own restaurant.

Dining

Food and wine are as much an attraction as the wild country that envelops The Homestead. The neighboring Ord River Valley nurtures growers who provide a vast array of tropical and organic produce, supplemented by the abundant riches of Western Australia's coastlines and paddocks. For special occasions, choose to dine on a private clifftop under the stars.

Experiences

El Questro Homestead offers a range of included excursions and touring with a personalised itinerary that provides the opportunity to immerse yourself in the natural attractions of the wilderness park. El Questro's enthusiastic rangers are adept at personalising your experience to your individual tastes.



Enjoy the luxury of your own private outdoor bathtub.



Dining at the Homestead.



Tranquil accommodation.



Aerial view of The Homestead.

Getting to El Questro

Where is El Questro?



Kununurra is the closest city to El Questro. Regular flights are available from all major Australian cities to Kununurra via Perth, Darwin or Broome with Qantas, Airnorth and Skywest.

Driving Directions

El Questro is situated in the East Kimberley 110 kilometres west of Kununurra by road.

Travel 58 kilometres on the Great Northern Highway towards Wyndham then take the sealed Gibb River Road. El Questro driveway is 16 km of unsealed gravel and a high clearance 4WD is required, however Emma Gorge is accessible to 2WD vehicles.

Up-to-date road conditions and information are available 24 hours a day on 1800 013 314. To fully appreciate the diversity and beauty of the region, we recommend that you bring your own 4WD.

Safety on the Roads

Be careful not to underestimate travelling time when driving in The Kimberley. Allow an average speed of 80 km per hour on sealed roads and 50 km per hour on unsealed roads.

Always ensure you carry adequate supplies of fuel, food and most importantly, water.

Nearly all of The Kimberley is cattle country, most roads are unfenced, which means cattle, horses, and donkeys can wander across the road at any time. Night driving can be dangerous due to straying animals. Extreme care is advised.

Large road trains (semi trailer with three other trailers) can be up to 50 m long. Caution is recommended when overtaking these vehicles.

Other Ways to Arrive

Air Charters

Aeroplane charters are available directly to the two El Questro private airstrips from Kununurra, Darwin, Broome, Uluru and Alice Springs.

Private VIP jet service is also available from Sydney, Melbourne and Perth direct to Kununurra.

Helicopter charters and scenic aeroplane flights over the Bungle Bungles are available from Kununurra finishing at El Questro.

El Questro Airstrips

El Questro has two airstrips, the smaller strip at Emma Gorge Resort, the other close to The Station and Homestead facilities.

Property Co-ordinates

Emma Gorge
S 15 54 32 E 128 07 38

The Station
S 16 00 35.3 E 127 58 46.2

The Homestead
S 15 58 34 E 127 56 00

Road Transfers

4WD transfers are available from Kununurra to The Station, Emma Gorge and The Homestead by prior arrangement – see our website for further details.

General Information

El Questro is open from April-October each year. Please check website for correct dates.

The Seasons

Locally termed 'The Green Season' from November to March temperatures may reach as high as 40°C. The most popular season to visit The Kimberley is during the cloudless months of April through October. Temperatures are in the high 20°C to low 30°C range with cool evenings yet warm enough to eat under the stars.

Clothing

Casual light clothes are best with good walking shoes and don't forget your broad brimmed hats and sunscreen lotion.

Special Events Incentive & Weddings

El Questro is a unique destination for your special group or wedding celebration. Catering for meetings, incentives, conferences and exhibitions, enquire with the El Questro Reservations team for original ideas and group bookings.

Communications During Your Stay

Throughout El Questro mobile phone reception is not available, however, there are guest telephones available at all three resorts. Wifi is available in the public areas at all three properties.

Supplies

El Questro's three properties each offer unique retail therapy and a range of original outback clothing, souvenirs and sundries. The Station stocks a selection of groceries and camping supplies and has both diesel and ULP for sale as well as gas bottle refills.

There's More Online!

Take a closer look at El Questro Wilderness Park by visiting our website www.elquestro.com.au. You can view our short video clip on The Kimberley landscape and also preview the accommodation options we offer. Access the website to find current availability, maps, travel planners, photo gallery, media information and more details on all available services and attractions.

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- Kennedy Space Centre Visitor Complex
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- The Lodge at Geneva-On-The-Lake
- Yellowstone National Park
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