WESTERN AUSTRALIA'S

Avon Valley - Region -

STARGAZING

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Yenyening Lakes

The lakes are a hotspot for photographers wanting to get spectacular astrophotography shots with no light pollution. The backdrop of the lakes and the surrounding farmland make for a tranquil setting. The diverse ecosystem provides for a great habitat to native birds and fauna too. Allow 35 minutes' drive from Beverley townsite.

Beverley Airfield

Head to the outskirts of town off Lukin street to the airfield where you will find some great open space to set up a telescope or tripod for some fabulous astrophotography.

Avondale Farm

Beverley has an abundance of wide-open space over farmland throughout the shire for clear sky viewing. The historic Avondale Farm is managed by the National Trust and although it is a working farm the historic buildings and reserve can be accessed by appointment. Better still, book a night in one of the quaint short stay accommodations onsite. National Trust of WA (08) 9321 6088.



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Goomalling A TASTE OF COUNTRY LIFE



Slater Homestead

Built in 1856 the historic homestead is a beautiful venue with accommodation that reflects the period. Being only 2km from town it is the perfect spot to stargaze. For more information about the site visit www.slaterhomestead.com.au

Walyormouring Lake

Walyormouring Lake and the surrounding reserve is a beautiful wild setting for stargazing. Kids can explore the waterways, gnammas and rocking outcrops then set-up camp and indulge in our magical nights skies. During summer months when the lake is dry stargazers will be able to wander on to the lake bed

Konnongorring

A small locality halfway between Goomalling and Wongan Hills provides a beautiful setting for stargazing with no light pollution. Camp in the Konnongorring Recreation reserve on the old football oval, surrounded by native bush land - leave a donation to help the Konnongorring community maintain the facilities for you. OR Gabby Quoi Quoi lookout offers panoramic views of the surrounding farmland, bush and wide open skies.



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EXPERIENCE THE HEART OF THE AVON VALLEY



Culture & the Stars

Bilya Koort Boodja: Centre for Nyoongar Culture & Environmental Knowledge is the ideal location to start your stargazing journey in Northam. Visit the centre to learn about the Nyoongar connection with the night sky, and how this has informed their beliefs and culture. Occasionally, you can also participate in one of their stargazing-themed events.

Observing Site

Bert Hawke Oval is the perfect site to set up a telescope or use binoculars to watch the ever-changing night skies. Ample parking is available, as well as a playground for children, and you can reach this site by following Clarke Street past Burwood Park.

Astrophotography Hotspot

Although Northam has a wealth of areas for you to capture breathtaking photographs of our night skies, Katrine Road is the perfect location for snaps you won't get anywhere else. With no light pollution, an abundance of natural beauty and historic buildings, as well as the iconic Glenfield Homestead, Katrine Road will offer you the perfect backdrop for that night sky image you've always wanted to capture.



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Pelham Lookout

Overlooking the town, Pelham lookout is a peaceful place to observe the stars. There are a number of walk tracks from the lookout that you could explore and find additional places to admire the sky. Pelham lookout also has parking and toilet facilities.

The Avon River

It can be a magical experience watching the stars near the river, where the sky meets the water. Year round pools such as Millard's Pool and Red Bank Pool along the Bilya Walk Track are locations where you can admire both the sky and the river.

Accommodation with stargazing

There are a number of accommodation providers who offer stargazing experiences when you stay with them. Many have great views of the stars from the property and Pecan Hill Bed & Breakfast has a purpose built stargazing platform available for guest use.



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Accommodation with stargazing

Greenhills Inn, Lavendale Farmstay, Hillside Country Retreat and White Gum Farm are amongst the accommodation providers that offer fire pits during wintertime and an amazing view of the country night skies filled with thousands of stars. Don't forget the marshmallows!

Mt Brown Lookout

Enjoy the sunset on Mt Brown, located 342m above sea level, overlooking the township of York and surrounds followed by unbelievable night skies - you might even be able to view the Milky Way across the sky. There is a walk track available from the historic swinging bridge and Mt Brown is located within 5 mins drive of the town centre.

Forrest Oval

Forrest Oval offers a large open area with dark skies - perfect for stargazing. Ample parking is available at the York Recreation & Convention Centre.

GwambyginePark

Experience stargazing in a bush setting along the banks of the Avon River. Parking and toilet facilities are available at this rest stop.



York Visitor Centre

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