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Rottnest Swim Holiday – getting there

Getting to Rottnest

Located just 19 km from the coast of Fremantle, 33 km from Perth's city centre Wadjemup / Rottnest Island is easy to get to by ferry, private boat or by air.

We recommend the ferry for its fast, relatively cheap, efficient, and reliable service. There are 3 ferry companies to choose from.

Rottnest Express: Services depart from Northport and B Shed in Fremantle, with the earliest service departing at 7:30 am from B Shed <https://www.rotnestexpress.com.au>

Sealink: depart from B Shed, Victoria Quay in Fremantle and Barrack Street Jetty in Perth <https://www.sealinkrotnest.com.au>

Rottnest Fast Ferries from Hillarys Boat Harbour, north of Perth. <https://www.rotnestfastferries.com.au>

Each company recommends you arrive 30 minutes prior to departure. Ferries leave from Perth City, North Fremantle (Rous Head), Fremantle (Victoria Quay) and Hillarys Boat Harbour in Perth's north with trips ranging from 25 minutes to 90 minutes;



The island website is a great resource and FAQ.

<https://www.rotnnestisland.com/visit/getting-here/by-ferry>

Your swim camp will start at 2.30pm, meeting in front of the Rottneest Island Visitors Centre, which is right where you get off the ferry at the end of the jetty.

You are responsible for getting yourself to Rottneest for this time. The latest ferry you can catch to arrive in time is the 2.00 ferry from Rous Head, or B Shed.

Which ferry terminal?

From Perth city or airport, it is easiest to travel by public transport (bus or train) to B Shed, Fremantle.

Rous Head, North Fremantle is best accessed by vehicle. No public transport goes there.

If you are driving to the ferry and need to park, we recommend going from Rous Head, Fremantle. Otherwise choose your ferry based on the time that suits you.

Whilst our camp starts at 2.30 you may choose to arrive early and explore on your own before we begin our adventures.

From the airport: You can catch the train to Claremont from Perth Airport and then change to the Fremantle line and catch a train to Fremantle station. Trains leave every 15 minutes and cost \$5. Once off the train it's a 500m walk to B Shed ferry terminal in Fremantle. Allow 2 hours from the airport to the ferry terminal via public transport.

Or you can catch a taxi or ride share. This will take approx 45 minutes depending on the time of day.

From Perth

Catch the Fremantle line train to Fremantle. Trains leave every 15 minutes. The train journey is 30 minutes

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Luggage to Rottnest:

The Rottnest luggage system is unique. Your ferry company will give you a luggage tag for checked in luggage when you get your ticket or at the ferry terminal. Add your room number to the tag and then give your bag to your ferry company. They will ensure your bag is delivered to your accommodation, normally 2-3 hours after you leave the mainland. Leave this luggage tag on your bag after you get to Rottnest for the duration of your stay as it ensures your luggage gets home safely.

When leaving the island Rottnest luggage needs to be placed outside your accommodation by 8am and you will then see it back on the mainland when you depart your ferry. Pack your bathers in a day pack and carry that with you as hand luggage.



Quokkas are native to Rottnest. You'll see lots of them whilst you're there. Don't pat them or feed them though.