

MONKEY MIA'S MUST DO!

"Love it,
or it's FREE!"
Unconditional
100% money-back
guarantee

SHOTOVER

Sail with a bunch of animals



FREE Sundown Cruise
with "Origin of the Mermaid Myth" cruise!

You're either in Monkey Mia or considering coming here, and you are wondering...

how to best spend your time. No doubt you've planned, slaved, saved and travelled long distances to get here. So it's important you make the right decision.

Monkey Mia is the world's most reliable dolphin meeting place. You'll see dolphins daily, up close, in calm, clear water, but it is also much, much more and most of it is unknown to visitors.

There is a huge variety of wildlife at Monkey Mia and with clean, shallow water making animals easily seen, it attracts research scientists from all over the planet to unravel the mysteries of the marine world.

There are people listening to dolphins; putting video cameras on tiger sharks; tagging turtles; sampling stingrays and satellite-tracking dugongs. There are scientists getting wet all over the place.

This exciting stuff has made **Monkey Mia the world's most significant behavioural research site for:** Dolphins; Dugongs; Tiger Sharks and a significant research site for: Stingrays; Sea Snakes; Green turtles & Loggerhead turtles.

It is the only place in the world where you can readily see all these animals in their natural habitat and you can see them by joining us on a high quality wildlife cruise in the research area.

Operating at Monkey Mia since 1993 we are the longest running, most experienced, tour business in Monkey Mia. We also enjoy a great working relationship with the research scientists and with their assistance have developed our fascinating cruises.

Join us and you'll:

Discover the latest discoveries.

Understand the animals' behaviour.

Have myths exploded and secrets revealed.

Learn about the relationships between the animals.

You'll be doing it with a sensational sailing catamaran Shotover, an enormously experienced crew (more about that a little later), and these promises:



Family fun



Dolphins in focus



Get on the net

Unconditional, 100% money-back guarantee

"Love it, or it's free!" is your unconditional, 100% money-back guarantee. Be confident you will find the experience exciting, entertaining ... and you'll learn some fantastic things too.

\$100 Warranty of no seasickness

Because of "Shotover's" exceptional design, seasickness is virtually non-existent. In the highly unlikely event someone does get physically sick, we'll compensate them with \$100 cash

Animal warranty

We've been here since 1993, so we know where to take you. However as good as we are, with wild animals there exists a slight possibility we may not find them ... so we'll remove that risk for you! If the wildlife is scarce on your cruise, you're welcome to come back on any cruise, as our guest (yes, for free), as often as you like, until you are satisfied.

Every cruise, every day, even if you're our only guest.

Cruises are cancelled only if weather conditions may compromise your comfort, safety or cruise quality.

Maximum enjoyment and comfort

Cruises are done under sail ✓

A peaceful experience and the best way to see wildlife. Monkey Mia is renowned for reliable sailing conditions and Shotover is a renowned sailing machine..

See the animals underwater ✓

So you won't miss a thing, you'll be given the use of sunglasses fitted with specially treated, tinted lenses that eliminate surface glare to give you the best view of the animals underwater.

Access Special Areas ✓

Our special licence gets you into the Restricted Access Dugong Management Zone. A draught of only one metre maximises your enjoyment of the aquarium-like shallow seagrass feeding grounds.

Specifically designed for wildlife watching ✓

The animals are in the sea. To see them, you need to be out on deck. There's ringside seating around the boat and no cabin to obstruct your view or separate you from the action. You're always in fresh air and in touch with your friends and your crew of naturalists.

Protection from the elements ✓

The sails and a rear deck awning provide shade. In the event of chill, rain or spray we provide weatherproof clothing for everyone. There's also a refreshing seawater shower if you want to cool off. We also provide free sunscreen.



An awesome 3 metre tiger shark.

Best for you, the animals and the planet

- We have virtually eliminated noise, air and water pollution from your cruise
- As a superb sailing machine, Shotover is primarily propelled by the wind
- Seldom used, small engines (35hp) average less than 2 litres of fuel per cruise.
- A wind turbine and solar panels generate the electricity to power all equipment
- Through space-age technology, the fridge is actually cooled by the sun!
- The toilet uses seawater, solar electricity and a harmless dash of chlorine to make toilet-waste bacteria-free.
- Our safe, Australian-made, cleaning products are made from sustainable, natural ingredients, which are phosphate and nitrate free, and not tested on animals.
- We conserve fuel by using extremely efficient, very expensive high-tech propellers
- Oil is conserved by technologically extending our oil changes to yearly.
- Storing electricity in gel batteries means no lead/acid gassing and disposal problems.
- Paper supplies are made from recycled paper
- We provide support for the dolphin, dugong and tiger shark research projects and record and report significant events when there isn't a research team here.

The Cruises - what to expect

The wildlife at Monkey Mia is incredible. Year round there are friendly dolphins, shy green turtles, huge loggerhead turtles and stingrays. The warmer months bring in dugong, tiger and hammerhead sharks, sea-snakes, schools of bait fish, tuna & mackerel, flying and skipping fish and diving sea birds.

Although we hold government licences for special areas, the wildlife doesn't always use those areas, however, because our cruises are the widest ranging, we're the leaders in finding the newest wildlife sites.

Two of our skippers have been here since 1993 and the third skipper has been here since 2006. One of your guides has grown up in Shark Bay whilst the other is a former dolphin ranger and has been here since 2007.

All have extensive knowledge of the Shark Bay area and its marine life. They can identify most of the dolphins you'll meet. They know where the turtles hang out and find them on almost every cruise.

Depending on the time of year, the best weather and wildlife viewing conditions can vary between morning and afternoon. Expected weather and tidal conditions sometimes need to be factored in as well. Talk to our office to get expert advice on optimal viewing conditions.



Old Man Loggerhead Turtle.



"Mermaid" watching.

Origin of the Mermaid Myth Wildlife Cruise

2 CRUISES - 1 PRICE

**3hr Wildlife Cruise PLUS
1½hr Sunset Cruise**

ONLY \$84 (save \$39)

Come looking for wildlife with us in the morning, and potentially, you'll have the best opportunity to see the most. It is the longest cruise of the day, operating at the time of day when the weather is usually at it's best and therefore the best window for wildlife viewing.

And get the added bonus of a free sunset cruise. You can even take your free sunset first.

Join us. Enjoy the wind in your hair, the sun on your skin, a dash of salt spray and a smile on your face as you marvel at the wildlife.

2 cruises - 1 price (save \$39)

Departure	Daily 9:30am
Duration	3 hour Wildlife Cruise plus FREE 1.5 hour Sunset Cruise
Fare	Only \$84 for adults Children 6 years & under are free; 7-16 years inclusive are half price

Wow! Wildlife Experience

FANTASTIC FAMILY DEAL

2 children 16yrs and under - FREE

Enjoy a fascinating two and a half hour cruise in one of the world's most significant behavioural research sites, to see a variety of animals in a beautiful, natural environment.

Experience the exhilarating sensation of freedom as the wind whisks you away on a fabulous sailing machine.

Have an experience you'll remember forever. You may lay back and really relax, or if you like, join in the fun of helping sail the boat.

A great wildlife cruise for the family. Each adult is entitled to bring along two children, 16 years and under, for free. It's also the shorter of the two wildlife cruises which may appeal to those whose children who may not yet fully appreciate what they are seeing.

If you love animals, you'll love your cruise.

Departure	Daily 1:30pm
Duration	2.5 hours
Fare	Only \$74 for adults Children 6 years & under are free Two children 7-16 years inclusive are free with each adult. Extra children 7-16 are half price.



Dolphins lead the way.



Shotover at sunset.

Monkey Mia Magic Sunset Cruise

NOW ONLY \$39
(was \$54 save \$15)

Depending on the wind strength, your cruise will either be a gentle, relaxed mood with silent sail, quiet music on a still sea

OR

a blast of pure excitement, wind in your hair, spray on your face and a grin that won't go away as you hang on for a thrill ride on the wild side as Shotover shows her ocean racer side.

Departure time follows the sun.

Departure	Daily Dec, Jan, Feb - 5:45pm Mar & Nov - 5:15pm Apr, Aug, Sept - 4:45pm May, Jun, Jul - 4:30pm October - 5:00pm
Duration	1.5 hours
Fare	Only \$39 Children 6 years & under are free; 7-16 years inclusive are half price

“Shotover” - the story.

In 1992 the Monkey Mia Dolphin Resort undertook a 6 month, nationwide search for the highest quality wildlife cruises for their guests.

Our company, operating “Shotover”, was their choice. She’s huge, 60’ (18m) long and 31’ (9m) wide. Originally built as an ocean racer, she established her reputation as the fastest ocean racer in the southern hemisphere on her maiden voyage! Some of her subsequent many ocean racing and passage records are still unbroken.

You’ll be sailing a famous champion, the fastest sailing cruise boat in the country and still one of the fastest ocean racing cats in the southern hemisphere.

The advantages of a thoroughbred

Naturally your cruises are very leisurely, but if the animals aren’t nearby, our unmatched sailing ability will get you around faster than any other sailing cruise boat in Australia. You’ll certainly be impressed by the size, power and effortless speed but you’ll be amazed at the smooth ride, the stability and the secure feeling of the big cat.

The Tahitian connection

For a year she worked with the 10 Network. A seasoned ocean voyager, she’s sailed all over the Pacific. For 3 years she worked in romantic French Polynesia, carrying guests from Papeete, Tahiti, to legendary Moorea and to Marlon Brando’s Polynesian atoll - Tetiaroa.

The rich and famous.

Her previous owner is one of New Zealand’s wealthiest men, Sir Douglas Myers. The only double bunk on board was built especially for singer Diana Ross. The crew’s favourite guest: Elle McPherson



“Shotover” - wildlife, sailing & fun.



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Dolphin with lunch.

Our good luck charms:

Equipment from Australia 2, the yacht that won the America’s Cup for Australia.

Unique experience

Shotover is unique - she’s the only one of her design in the world! This is a fabulous opportunity to do some fair-dinkum sailing, aboard a part of Australia’s ocean racing history. The sailing is an experience in itself, plus you’ll enjoy the superb experience of seeing animals in the wild, at close quarters, in an environmentally unobtrusive way.

A rare opportunity for a truly unique blend of experiences.

Meet your crew.



Harvey Raven, born in Holland, raised in Australia, he speaks Dutch and has a seafaring ancestry dating back to 1592. A former Queenslander, he is our senior skipper and the Boss. An offshore Yachtmaster Instructor with 45 years sailing experience, 20 years of ocean racing (usually aboard the winner) and many international voyages, he’s one of Australia’s most experienced catamaran skippers. A Nature nut and the originator of all our activities, you could find him leading any of them. Customer service is his obsession, hence the “Love it or it’s free” guarantee.



Geoff Brooks, was born in England and raised in Australia. In 1998 we brought him over from Queensland just to do our Shotover upgrades. He grew to love Shark Bay so much that he joined our team. We’ve yet to find a problem he can’t solve. If we can break it, he can fix it. So you can rest assured, Shotover is one of the best maintained and safest boats you’ll ever sail on.



Mark Benson started with us in 1995. A Shotover skipper, he has sailed the Pacific as far as Tahiti. Mark has spent a lot of time with dolphin research scientists and provided boat support for National Geographic’s documentary “Dolphins - The Wild Side”. Ask him anything about the wildlife you see – he’s sure to have an answer.



Quinn Raven has his sights set on his skippers ticket, he is the second of the 2nd Generation of the Raven family to step into the family business. Quinn has grown up in Shark Bay around sailing, boats and the sea. He loves the ocean, animals and people and feels privileged to work in paradise on Shotover and to share with guests so many special happenings on the water.



Katie Hughes from England came to Shark Bay in 2008 intending to stay 2 weeks; she fell in love with the place and has been here ever since. Taught by her Dad to climb and sail, Katie loves the water and is an accomplished scuba diver, qualified swimming teacher and life saver. Katie has worked with the dolphins, turtle tagging and on Project Eden before joining our crew. As our Customer Service Manager you may find her in the office, behind the wheel of the 4WD or on Shotover.



Niko Smith is an accomplished yachtsman and successful competition dinghy sailor, avid surfer and kite boarder - we swear he spends more time in the air than the water! Nik loves people and has a wonderful affable nature which will have you feeling at home the minute you get on-board. Nik started as a guide with us in 2007 and is now a skipper. He has also been a marine guide at Ocean Park where he polished his deep knowledge of Shark Bay’s marine life.

Quality Assurance & Acknowledgements



Western Australia Tourism Awards – Ecotourism:
Silver Medallist 2006, Finalist 2001, Finalist 2000



2000 British Airways “Tourism for Tomorrow” Awards (UK):
Highly Commended - Australia Special Award



2001 Responsible Tourism Showcase (USA):
Honoree for Australia

FACET Golden Guide Award: Finalist 2006



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Save 25% off cruise fare by taking our 4WD tour too.

Take our tour of the François Peron National Park and save 25% of your wildlife cruise fare. Shark Bay is outstanding on a global scale, on par with some of the most famous natural treasures on earth such as the Galapagos Is & Great Barrier Reef.

You can discover the secrets of this unique wilderness by taking a fair dinkum 4WD experience with a local guide in a luxurious, air-conditioned, four-wheel drive vehicle. A fascinating trip into the outback, down wild tracks, to areas known only by locals. Traverse rolling red sand dunes, dense acacia shrublands, spectacular bluffs and deserted beaches, right where Outback Australia meets the coast.

It's a hell of a way to get fabulous photos of Shark Bay's sensational scenery, see animals, learn about fascinating plants and absorb bush survival skills.

You can book with confidence with our unconditional, 100% money-back guarantee: "Love it or it's free!"

Bookings and Frequently Asked Questions

Our Monkey Mia booking office is located at the left hand end of the beachfront boardwalk, when you're facing the beach.

Booking Freecall: 1800 241 481

Toll call: (61 8) 99 481 481

Booking Email:

bookings@monkeymiawildsights.com.au

Web: monkeymiawildsights.com.au

Book with any travel agent or tourist bureau.

Children's very fair fares:

6yrs & under are free.

7yrs to 16 yrs are 1/2 price.

Boarding:

Monkey Mia Beach jetty

15 minutes prior to scheduled departure

What's included:

Use of sunglasses and weatherproofs.

Sunscreen. Tap water. Great view.

What to bring:

Warm clothing. Camera. Binoculars.

Non-marking shoes or bare-feet.

Ladies best in shorts or pants.

Sense of adventure.

What's on-board:

Seating on deck for everyone.

Shade awning across back deck. Toilet.

Soft drinks; bottled water;

Chocolates, chips.

Great crew.

All cruises & tours are operated by Monkey Mia's nature activity specialist

MONKEY MIA WILDSIGHTS

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*We will always do our utmost to meet your expectations
but sometimes it may become necessary to alter routes, times or vessel.*