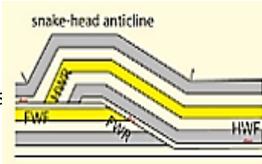


Landscapes & Geosites

1. The Witchelina Bungarider drive showcases a landscape of ridges, valleys and plains with an extraordinary variety of geosites comprising enigmatic and stunning rock formations, landforms and features.

2. **Watershed.** As the track climbs out of Station Creek flowing east out of the ranges, it reaches a plateau of shallow boggy pans, surrounded by imposing quartzite ridges. A new landscape of valleys and rocky crags shows a major change of creek flow to the NW into the Mirra Creek drainage system.

3. **Folded Rocks.** At the intersection near here of the Bungarider and Kingston Faults layers have been folded and tilted by tectonic forces.



4. **Sleeping Lion.** This monolith of eroded boulder crags sits precisely along the line of the Bungarider Fault. They comprise angular fractured pieces of white quartzite of the Bungarider Fault Breccia

5. **Hole in the Wall.** is a single layer of quartzite which forms a natural upright stone wall with wrinkled surfaces, knobs, cavities and even holes caused by long term effects of harsh weather.



6. **Great Wall Trail.** There is an easy walk along the side creek for just over one kilometer to the spectacular Great Wall Dam. Along the northern side of the creek thick beds of sandstone, siltstone and quartzite form low cliffs with broad open warps (or folds) of the layering. Behind the dam there is a high cliff of heavily fractured sandstone with spectacular gullies and caves etched into its face.

7. Fault Breccia – broken rocks.

Near North Bungarider Dam is a white outcrop of quartz 'breccia', Italian for "broken rocks", which follows the line of the Bungarider Fault, where the rock has been fractured and ground up as enormous slabs of rock moved against each other on either side of the fault plane. Balanced rocks and a rock hole also are seen.



8. **Mt Nor'West viewing point #2.** The track crosses layers of sandstone/siltstone, inclined gently to the NE with rubbly lines running across the landscape over a plateau of higher ridges. As it crosses the last of these ridges, the track reveals this abrupt and spectacular lookout over the paler coloured and lower level carbonate plains and open valleys running parallel to the Berlina Fault.

9. **Dragons Spine Ramparts.** The ridge hosts a series of prominent spiny or spiky brown layers, which emerge from the otherwise smooth hillside. These upstanding dolomite layers resemble the spiny back of the local frilled dragons.



10. **Sculpture Valley** is a side track which runs for a few Km along along the Berlina Fault. Faulting caused complex contortion and fracturing of the layers which are veined and form upstanding walls of dolomite and are eroded into many unusual sculpted forms.

11. **Mt Nor'west Lookout Ridge.** the track climbs a steep ridge and the rocks change dramatically again with a very hard and prominent white layer of quartzite forming the ridgetop. This single layer can be traced for many tens of kilometres and it runs along the trace of the Nor'West fault

Total distance: Approx. 87 kms round trip, allow 6-8 hours or take shortcut
Difficulty: Easy, with moderate sections
Basic signs As you drive, you'll see signs:



- shows the direction to follow for the Bungarider Nature Drive.



- Geosite of particular geological interest.
Please note: fossicking on Witchelina is prohibited.



- Landscape site/feature where you may wish to stop.

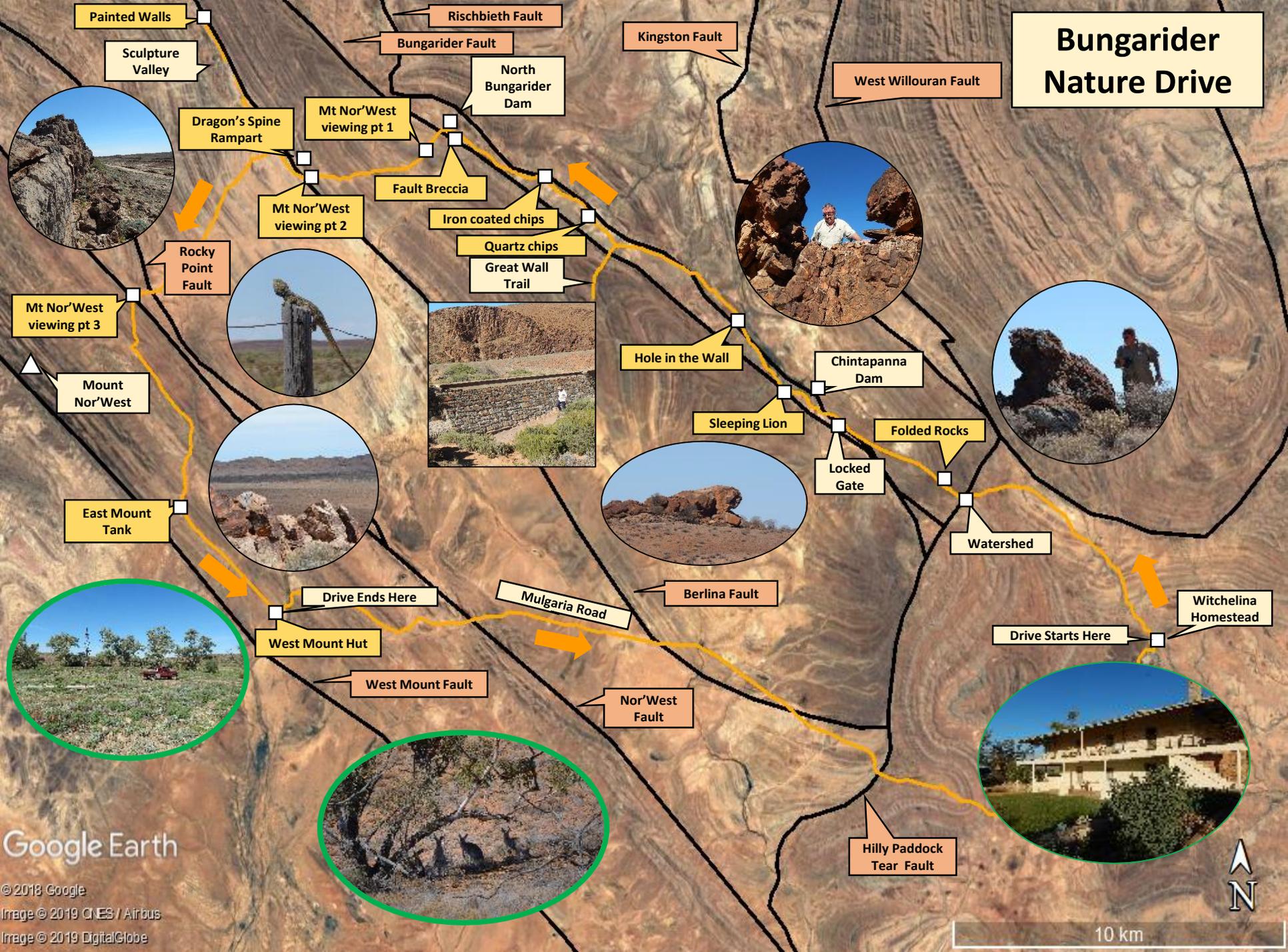
The Bungarider Nature Drive is only suitable for 4WD vehicles and is safe to travel only during daylight hours. Please begin your drive before 10.00am. Signs clearly show your route, please do not leave the marked track.



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