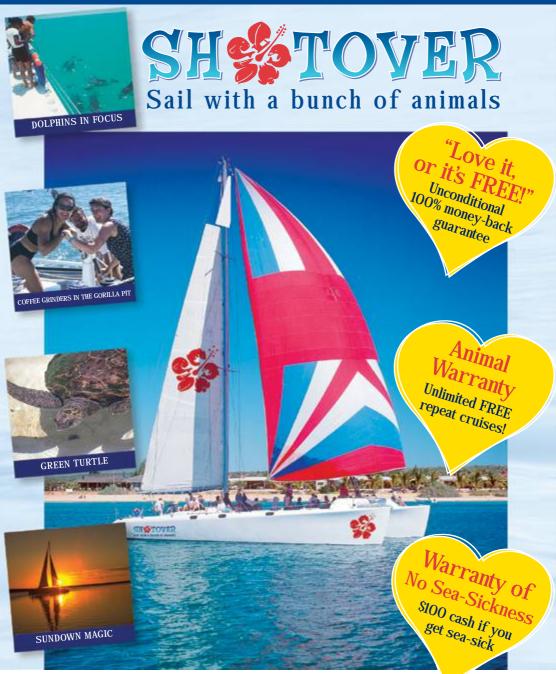
# SHARK BAY'S MUST DO!







An awesome 3 metre tiger shark.

### The best-kept secret about Shark Bay...

it is brimming with a huge variety of wildlife. All year round there are dolphins, dugongs and huge loggerhead and green turtles. In the warmer months they're joined by sea-snakes, sharks (our largest a 4.5 metre tiger shark), sting-rays, flying-fish and the long-tom, a fish that skips across the sea on its tail. Rare highlights are manta rays & whales.

#### The best way to see this magnificent wildlife

is by cruising with the wildlife specialist; the internationally famous, fabulous, 60' pure sailing catamaran, *Shotover* - "the nature boat". You'll be awed by this spectacular, deserted piece of paradise, where Nature overwhelms and is unafraid.

# The only cruise company in the *world* to give you all these commitments:

#### Love it, or it's free! - 100% money-back guarantee

Your totally unconditional, 100% money-back guarantee. Imagine, a wildlife, sailing and fun experience that exceptional. This extends beyond the cruise to also include everything available on board - clothing; printed items; food and drink.

#### Plus, \$100 warranty of no seasickness

The only 100% certain seasickness cure is to sit under a gum tree. But thanks to *Shotover's* exceptionally sea-kindly design seasickness is so unlikely, that we'll give \$100 in soft warm cash to anyone who gets physically seasick (no fingers in the throat!).

#### Plus, animal warranty

With wild animals there is naturally the possibility of occasionally not finding them, so we'll remove that risk for you! If ever you don't see the animals to your satisfaction you are welcome to come back again, on **any** cruise, as our guest (yes, for free) as often as you like, until you have seen the animals to your total satisfaction. Mind you we're here since 1993, so we know where to go, and you've got excellent prospects of seeing animals.

#### 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.



Family fun



Dolphins in focus



Old Man Loggerhead

#### Plus, see the animals underwater

So you don'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.

#### Plus, Access All Areas rating

A draught of only one metre maximises your enjoyment of the aquarium-like shallow, seagrass feeding grounds.

#### Plus, designed specifically for wildlife watching

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

#### Plus, protection from the elements

Weatherproof clothing is provided. The sails and a rear deck awning provide shade. There's a refreshing seawater shower if you really want to cool off. Plus free sunscreen.

#### Plus, environmentally preserving tomorrow, today

- Shotover is primarily wind propelled and solar powered and has virtually eliminated noise, air and water pollution from your cruise, so your enjoyment isn't affecting the animals or the planet.
- Through space-age technology, the fridge is actually cooled by the sun!
- The chemical-free toilet uses seawater with a harmless dash of chlorine and solar electricity to render 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 fossil fuel by using extremely efficient, high-tech propellers coupled with seldom used, small engines.
- Fossil fuel is further conserved by technologically extending our oil changes to yearly.
- Storing electricity in gel batteries eliminates the gassing and disposal problems of lead/acid batteries.

Plus, Advanced Ecotourism Accreditation from the Ecotourism Association of Australia Plus, Quality Assurance Accreditation from the Australian Tourism Accreditation Authority

Best for the animals - best for the planet - best for you.



Dugong in crystal shallows.



Dolphins lead the way.



Get on the net.

# Sail with a bunch of animals

Three hours of wonderful wildlife, sensational sailing, fantastic fun **Departs: 10am. Returns: 1pm. Duration: 3 hours. Only \$119**Fares: Adults only \$119; Children 7yrs to 16yrs are half fare; Children 6yrs & under are free

Note: Depending on animal movements these tours may operate from either Denham or Monkey Mia - check when you book

Right now there is a huge variety of wildlife and we'll do our best to introduce you to it all... dolphins, dugongs, turtles, sharks, sea-snakes, stingrays, sea birds, and fish that skip across the surface and on occasion you may see a flying fish.

You can laze about and relax or join in the fun of helping sail one of Australia's ocean racing legends. Lounge on a bean bag under the back deck shade awning. Soak up the sun on the huge trampoline nets. Chat with the crew, they know their stuff. Our permanent skippers have been here for 20 plus years, they know where to go to get you great photographs.

You'll discover the relationships between the animals; the reason for the behaviour you're seeing; have some myths exploded and some secrets revealed.

You'll learn how dolphins know who's around without seeing them, how they hunt with sound and live with sharks. Your crew know the dolphins by name and will introduce you.

You'll be on an awesome wildlife cruise in one of the world's most important animal behavioural research areas, where scientists come from all over the world to unravel the mysteries of the underwater world, with video cameras on turtles; satellite tags on sharks; paint on dugongs; drones to find stingrays; scoops to sample sea-snakes and digital albums of dolphin fins. National Geographic has shot heaps of film here. You'll hear all about it.

There are chocolates, chips, soft drinks and water available on board but you're welcome to bring your own food and drink. Yes, you may bring alcohol.

# **Sundown Magic**

## Duration: 11/2 hours Only \$59

Children: 7 to 16yrs are half fare;

6 & under are free

Unwind under silent sail as day begins another night and the sun paints the sky with red and gold as the stars emerge and the sea and land fade to black.

Bring your favourite friend and sundown drink. Join fellow travellers of the planet in a relaxed mood for a memorable experience.

#### Departure time follows the sun.

Dec, Jan, Feb -	5:45pm
March -	5.15pm
April -	4:45pm
May, June, Jul -	4.30pm
Aug, Sept -	4:45pm
Oct -	5:00pm
Nov -	5.30pm

#### You'll love it and that's guaranteed.

Note: Depending on the time of year all these tours may operate from either Denham or Monkey Mia



(for our overseas visitors, this is Australian for "bring your own alcohol")





Sunset West - Moonrise East



# "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.



"Shotover" - wildlife, sailing & fun.

#### The advantages of a thoroughbred

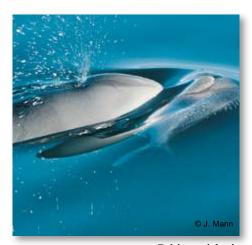
Naturally your cruises are very leisurely, but if the animals aren't nearby, our unmatched sailing ability will get you around faster than any other sailing cruise boat in Australia. You'll certainly be impressed by the size, power and effortless speed but you'll be amazed at the smooth ride, the stability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



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.



**Richard Thorn** grew up in, on and around the ocean. His love affair with the ocean began as a youngster. In order to get his first boat he had to prove he could row around one of the Abrolhos Islands. The marine animal kingdom has always fascinated him. After travelling the world for 2 years. Richard returned to Shark Bay in 2014 just when we were looking for a skipper. His skippering and people skills has seen him fit right in with our crew and guests.



**Quinn Raven** is a local. Growing up in Shark Bay Quinn was (and still is) always outdoors, exploring the water or the bush. He has been on "Shotover" since he was days old. Getting a bit older he got itchy feet with the want to experience the world outside Denham, the small tourism town he grew up in. His wanderlust took him overseas, to other cities and oceans. Quinn has sailed in the Mediterranean, cruised the canals of Amsterdam, surfed Asia and recently sailed halfway around Australia. Now following in his father's footsteps he has come back home to happily help run the family business.



**Toby Gaskell**. WA born and bred, Toby was first introduced to the ocean at three years of age by his Dad teahing him to surf. His passion for the ocean since then has seen him compete in surf lifesaving events and triathalons at State level for a number of years. He still surfs at the slightest opportunity and has involved himself in anything to do with the ocean in his job from professional fishing at 18 and now sailing on Shotover as a guide With his knowledge of the sea and love for boats, the big blue sky and ocean you wont have to look far to find him on the beach.

#### **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



FACET Golden Guide Award: Finalist 2006



# Save 10% off cruise fare by taking our 4WD tour too.

Take our tour of the François Peron National Park and save 10% 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.

#### From the Guestbook

Good to see tourism really left natural and the true understanding of 'Eco'. Informative & friendly crew. Tania Horley. Airlie Beach, Qld

Fantastic! Saw the big 3, dolphin, dugong and turtle, awesome, thanks! Elise & Arthur. Holland

Wow! Great variety of sealife & constantly enthusiastic crew. Thanks. Liz & Mat. UK

Awesome cruise, awesome crew. Nick Vanderwaal. Belgium

Beautiful!! I like it!! I love it! Unforgettable day in Monkey Mia! Mara Previtali, Italy

It was great!! Really enjoyed the nets!!! Elise Mullan. Perth

10/10 It felt like freedom. *Jess Hogg, Melbourne, Vic.* 

Loved learning about dugongs! Thanks for all the info & the beautiful sailing. The Pierce family, Minnesota, USA

#### Fantastic!!

Jimmy & Fiona Lenehan. Galway, Ireland

Excellent crew, boat, marine life, experience and value for money. Other cruises should take some lessons from you! Keep up the good work.

Andy Wigley & Helen Watmuff. Cardiff, Wales Funny & friendly crew - very

hospitable. Great marine-life viewing. Veronica O'Donoghue. Glasgow, Scotland

One of the most amazing afternoons, thank you!!

Charlotte Clarke. Cheshire, England Beautiful!!

Tomoko Hiyashi. Tokyo, Japan

The best cruise we've done so far on our 3 month trip.

Elaine & Jeff Bronning. Winmalee, NSW

Never seen a dugong before, now I've seen heaps. Thanks a million. Great boat.

Phillipa Goodbourn. Adelaide, SA

FUN, Brilliant, GREAT!! It's been such fun seeing the dolphins, turtles and dugong!! Really FUN.

Sarah Sheehan. Harare, Zimbabwe

I love your cat!

Malcolm Boey. Singapore

A good crew! Amazing, wonderful.

Michael & Pascal. Switzerland
Was incredible!! No words!!

Unfortunately too short - enough to fall in love.

Sabina. Barcelona, Spain

Saw many different animals and had an amazing time.

Francesca Taylor. Jersey.

rantesta Taylor. Jersey.

Super crew. Great trip.

Martin, Gail & Megan Ludlow. Dubai, UAE

Cruises operated by



## **Bookings and Frequently Asked Questions**

**Booking online:** wildsights.com.au **Booking Freecall:** 1800 241 481 **Toll call:** (61 8) 99 481 481

**Booking Email:** 

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Web: wildsights.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:**

Be at the jetty 15 minutes prior to scheduled departure

#### What to bring:

Warm clothing. Camera. Binoculars. Non-marking shoes or bare-feet. Ladies best in shorts or pants. Sense of adventure.

#### What's included:

Use of sunglasses and weatherproofs. Sunscreen. Tap water. Great view.

#### What's on-board:

Seating on deck for everyone. Shade awning across back deck. Toilet. Soft drinks; bottled water; Chocolates, chips. Great crew.

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