**Visiting and Staying at Bowra Wildlife Sanctuary**

* You enter Bowra Wildlife Sanctuary (the **Sanctuary**) at your own risk.
* The Sanctuary is only open for part of the year.
* Bookings are required and must be made prior to arrival. Payments are taken for camping or accommodation via online system only.
* You must not disturb, damage or remove any heritage or sacred sites or objects.
* **Zero tolerance –** Staff have the right to be always treated with dignity and respect without the risk of threatening behavior or violence. This behavior will not be tolerated, AWC reserves the right to evict.
* Tracks can be closed due to rain, please check any notices posted by staff. **Off roading is not permitted.** Vehicles need also be suitable for terrain – please contact the Sanctuary prior to arrival for advice. Vehicles will not be recovered by Sanctuary staff and you will be responsible for your own recovery plan and recovery costs.
* Visitors need to follow instructions from book online system, Sanctuary staff, any notices in Check in areas and roadside signage. Check in details will be provided at the time of booking.
* While on Sanctuary, visitors must exercise all reasonable care to minimize the impact on the environment. Flora and fauna (i.e. all plants, animals, birds, fish and insects) must not be interfered with, touched, caught or collected for any purpose, except with the prior consent of AWC.
* Pets are not permitted on Sanctuary.
* Firearms, poison, chemicals, traps or other equipment used to catch or attract animals (i.e. fishing rods, call back recordings or bird seed) are not permitted on Sanctuary.
* You must be self-sufficient with food, water (only untreated bore water available) and fuel for the duration of your stay.
* Camping is only permitted within the designated campgrounds. Campers require adequate shelter in case of inclement weather. There is no undercover respite at this time.
* No fires or generators are permitted.
* Please take all rubbish, **including food scraps**, with you at the end of your stay.
* Visitors must comply with Sanctuary staff instructions and directions at all times.
* If you are a photographer you should ask staff for the “Photography policy” particularly for commercial use. Also be respectful of staff and ask before taking their photo.

**Commercial Operators**

* Should the purpose of your visit be commercial including, but not limited to, travel, accommodation, bird watching and identification, photography and/or tuition, you must notify the AWC Sanctuary Manager at the time of making your booking (either for camping or day entry).
* At time of making the booking all commercial operators must provide business and contact details, and a copy of your current public liability insurance (form to be completed will be supplied).
* Your booking confirmation is a declaration of agreement to these conditions of entry. These include the guidelines surrounding photography, where the requirement to obtain permission to use images or footage from the Sanctuary also applies to any use of images in promotional material. Please contact us for further information.

**Travelling on Sanctuary**

* 4WD vehicles are recommended. All roads on the property are dirt and can be dusty in dry conditions and very muddy and at times impassable when wet; rainfall may close the sanctuary tracks so visitors need to return to base as soon as rain starts. Vehicles over four tonnes and some 2WD vehicles are not suitable for the tracks, enquire with staff first.
* Vehicles must be washed down upon arrival at the Sanctuary.
* Vehicles must be driven at a speed appropriate to the conditions and must not exceed **30 km/h.** Speed near buildings must not exceed **5 km/h.**
* The Sanctuary has a few roads and tracks that are closed to visitors. Please respect this and remain on designated tracks shown on the Bowra visitor Map only. No off-track driving at any time.
* The same safety rules that would apply on a public road apply when driving on Sanctuary. This includes all drivers being appropriately licensed, everyone wearing a seatbelt and remaining inside the vehicle at all times whilst the vehicle is moving.
* All gates should be left as found, whether open or closed.

**Safety Rules**

* All visitors must sign the **Visitor Log** (Part C) upon arrival.
* Children under 15 years must be under the direct supervision of an adult.
* Persons travelling away from the campsite are advised to carry a map, sufficient water (20 litres per vehicle with an additional 10 litres for every person above two years of age), spare food, first aid kit and means of communication.
* Before leaving your camp to go out onto the sanctuary, you are required to sign out and sign in on your return.
* No person shall enter the workshop or any non-accommodation related buildings or use any AWC machinery without the appropriate training and AWC sanctuary staff permission.
* Avoid camping under old, damaged or overhanging trees. Do not camp under trees.
* When raining vehicles must return to base immediately or remain stationary if unsafe until otherwise advised by staff, do not traverse through low lying areas or cross flooded creeks or channel crossings. Staff may cancel booking prior to arrival if rain is expected.
* If threatened by a large animal, keep your distance, do not interact and leave the area. Do not feed any animals.
* All wildfires and accidents must be reported immediately to the Sanctuary staff / AWC Regional Operations Manager or Bowra Volunteers. All persons on Sanctuary have a legal responsibility to report any hazards to AWC staff.
* You are the person primarily responsible for your own safety.

**What to do in an emergency**

* Refer to **Emergency Procedures**, **Emergency Contact** (Part A2), **Map-Directions** (Part A3) - Located in check in areas, accommodations & staff areas.
* Notify staff straight away.

**Photography and filming**

* You may take photos or film on an AWC sanctuary for private or personal use only.
* Drones are prohibited.
* Copies of photos or film taken on an AWC sanctuary may be requested by AWC, and you must consent to publication by AWC if requested by AWC.
* If you would like to make photos or footage that you take on an AWC sanctuary publicly available, provide them to a third party to publish, or use them for commercial purposes, you must obtain written consent from AWC prior to your visit.
* Please contact AWC’s Communications Manager on 08 9380 9633 to request approval.

**Disclaimer**

1. There are risks inherent in entering the Sanctuary, including, but not limited to:

* Motor vehicle accidents and break downs;
* Getting lost or stranded in remote areas;
* Snake bites, heat stress, heat stroke (exposure);
* Encountering large animals (for example, kangaroos, emus, dingoes);
* bites, stings or allergies to food, plants or animals;
* risk of illness or injury from drinking untreated water;
* slipping, tripping and falling;
* falling tree branches; and
* encountering bush fires, wild fires and lightning strikes, flash flooding and drowning.

Please refer to the Safety Rules.

1. You, by your entry onto the Sanctuary, accept the inherent risks of which a prudent person should be aware. You must act in a responsible manner while on the Sanctuary.
2. AWC takes all reasonable steps to provide you with a safe and enjoyable environment. However, AWC will not be liable:
   1. to any person in respect of the loss of life or personal injury to any person, whether that loss, damage or personal injury is caused by any person’s negligence (including the negligence of AWC) or otherwise; or
   2. for any direct, indirect or consequential loss (including economic loss), damage or theft of property however it arises (in negligence or otherwise) at the Sanctuary,

except where such injury, loss or damage is a direct result of a failure by AWC to comply with the consumer guarantees (in which case clause 5 will apply).

1. Under the Australian Consumer Law, visitors are entitled to the benefit of non-excludable consumer guarantees that apply to the provision of both goods and services. AWC will ensure that any goods and services supplied or provided to visitors in accordance with this agreement comply with these consumer guarantees.
2. Where it is fair and reasonable for AWC to limit its liability for consumer guarantees, AWC’s liability for any failure to comply with the consumer guarantees shall be limited to (at AWC’s option):
   1. In the case of goods, to resupplying those goods or paying the cost of repairing or replacing those goods; and
   2. In the case of services, to the resupply of the relevant services or payment of the cost of resupplying those services.
3. Entry onto the Sanctuary is an acknowledgement of your acceptance of this disclaimer and AWC’s conditions of entry.

**Privacy**

AWC collects personal information to manage bookings, visitor safety and to process fees payable. AWC may use the information collected to provide ongoing promotional and educational materials and communications about our events, activities and fundraising initiatives.

AWC’s privacy policy is available at [www.australianwildlife.org/privacy](http://www.australianwildlife.org/privacy). The policy contains important information about how you can access and request correction of information we hold about you, how you can “opt out” of receiving communications from AWC, how you may complain about a breach of the Australian Privacy Principles, and how AWC will deal with any privacy complaint. If you have any questions, our contact details are email: privacy@australianwildlife.org; mail: PO Box 8070, Subiaco East, WA, 6008; telephone: 61 8 9380 9633.

*AWC respects and acknowledges the Traditional Owners of Bowra.  We recognise their continuing connection to land, water and community, and pay respects to their elders’ past, present and emerging.  We recognise the rights of Traditional Owners to be on Country in accordance with their Native Title rights and acknowledge that these conditions of entry do not apply to or restrict those rights.*