

# gnaraloo

SEA TURTLE CONSERVATION



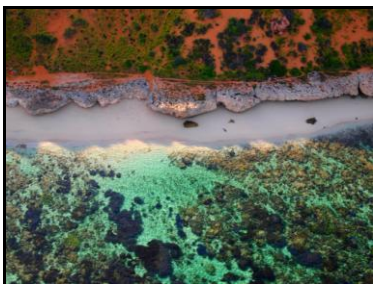
Gnaraloo is a wilderness tourism location and working pastoral station adjacent to the [Ningaloo Marine Park](#) in the [Ningaloo National Heritage area](#) and immediately adjacent to the [Ningaloo Coast World Heritage area](#). The [Gnaraloo Turtle Conservation Program \(GTCP\)](#) is based on the [Ningaloo Turtle Program](#) in Exmouth which is managed by the Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC) and the Cape Conservation Group.



The GTCP 2011/12 will run from 15 October 2011 – 19 March 2012. Monitoring of nesting activities will be undertaken onsite at Gnaraloo from 1 November 2011 – 28 February 2012. This work includes daily track monitoring, species identification, determination and counts of successful and unsuccessful nesting attempts, use of GPS equipment to record nest locations and records of disturbance and predation of nests. The team spends about 5 hrs/day collecting and managing data. Data analysis and reporting occur during and immediately after completion of onsite work. The team also manages participation from time to time by school groups and community volunteers with the morning patrols. The team writes field diaries of their survey activities and results for the GTCP Facebook page. See [Facebook](#) and [www.gnaraloo.com](http://www.gnaraloo.com) for reports, field diaries and photos of previous work.



The Gnaraloo turtle team 2011/12 will comprise of 3 science graduate volunteers who, while all working together and supporting each other with all activities, will have specific assigned individual responsibilities: (1) **Team Leader (Co-ordinate and manage work by the team, start to finish)**; (2) **Volunteer co-ordinator (Co-ordinate and manage participation by school groups and community volunteers)**; (3) **GIS Cartographer (Maps of the season's data)**. All work will be undertaken under the guidance and direction of a senior environmental scientist, Gnaraloo's Environmental Advisor (GEA), Karen Hattingh.



The Team Leader and Volunteer Co-ordinator will report for work-start and essential pre-season arrangements at **Gnaraloo's Environmental Office outside Denmark town (WA) on 15 October 2011**. The entire team will be **on location at Gnaraloo on 28 October 2011** for program set-up prior to start of formal monitoring on 1 November. After monitoring ends, the entire team will travel to **Gnaraloo's Environmental Office** for production of the final report and maps, from 1-19 March 2012.



A blend of scientific and practical persons with passion, enthusiasm, commitment, strong work ethic, organisational ability, good communication skills and patience, who are able to work independently as well as in team structures, would suit the positions. High competency and proficiency in Microsoft Word, Excel and computer skills are **essential** as are technical and analytical ability (data management, analysis, comparison of data sets and graph production). Previous experience with sea turtles and Microsoft Access are **desirable but not essential**. The team will receive formal training in turtle tracking protocols by DEC.



Accommodation and meals will be provided. Queries, requirements and arrangements may be discussed with Karen on ++ 61 0 8 9840 8829 or Skype: gurtle mama.

Please send your resume to [enviro@gnaraloo.com.au](mailto:enviro@gnaraloo.com.au) by no later than **19 August 2011**