

## Today I'm visiting:

## Kalbarri Skywalk in Kalbarri National Park





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## **Every Kid in a Park** Social Story

This is a Social Story<sup>™</sup> about visiting the Kalbarri Skywalk in Kalbarri National Park.

Social stories help explain social situations to children and adults with autism spectrum disorder, intellectual disability, developmental delays and learning challenges.

A Social Story<sup>™</sup> answers the 'wh' questions – where and when a situation occurs, who is involved, what is happening and why. We suggest the Social Story<sup>™</sup> be meaningfully shared in a reassuring tone.

This Social Story<sup>™</sup> aims to help people of all abilities to plan and prepare for their visit to the Kalbarri Skywalk by explaining what they can expect on the day of their visit.

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This Social Story<sup>™</sup> was developed by Nature Play WA in consultation with local educators.



I am going to visit the Kalbarri Skywalk in Kalbarri National Park.

My trusted person will come with me.

The Kalbarri Skywalk is a place where I can see views of the Murchison River Gorge. A gorge is a valley with steep, rocky walls.



I will need to bring comfortable walking shoes and a jacket on cold days.

It is important that I bring a hat, water bottle and sunscreen.

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At the Kalbarri Skywalk I will see a gorge and a river. There are walk trails, steps and benches.

There is a kiosk.

There will be signs that tell me about the gorge and the local Nanda Aboriginal people.



There are lots of things to do at the Kalbarri Skywalk.

I might:

- Walk on the viewing platforms.
- Follow the path to see native animal sculptures.
- Read the signs to learn about the gorge.
- Read the signs to learn about the local Nanda Aboriginal people.
- See and hear birds like the Australian raven, welcome swallow and willie wagtail.
- See a kangaroo or wallaroo.
- See and hear different types of wildlife, including reptiles, insects and spiders.

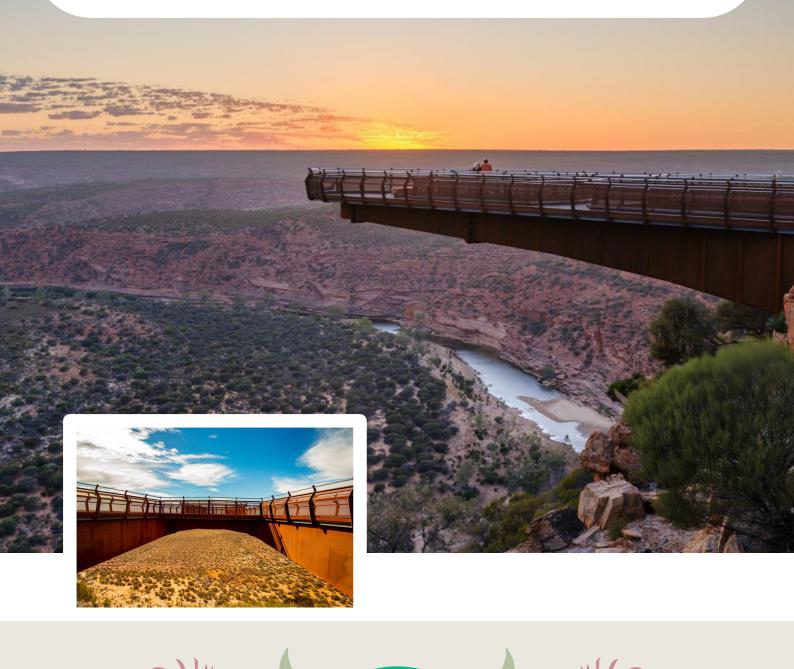




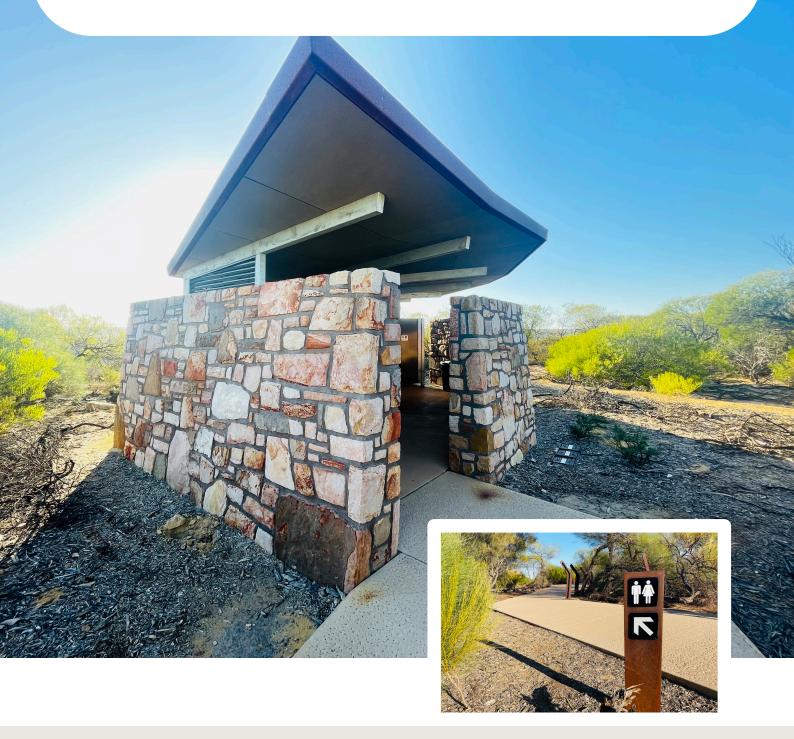
The viewing platform hangs in mid-air, high above the ground.

It might be windy when I walk across it.

My trusted person will be with me.

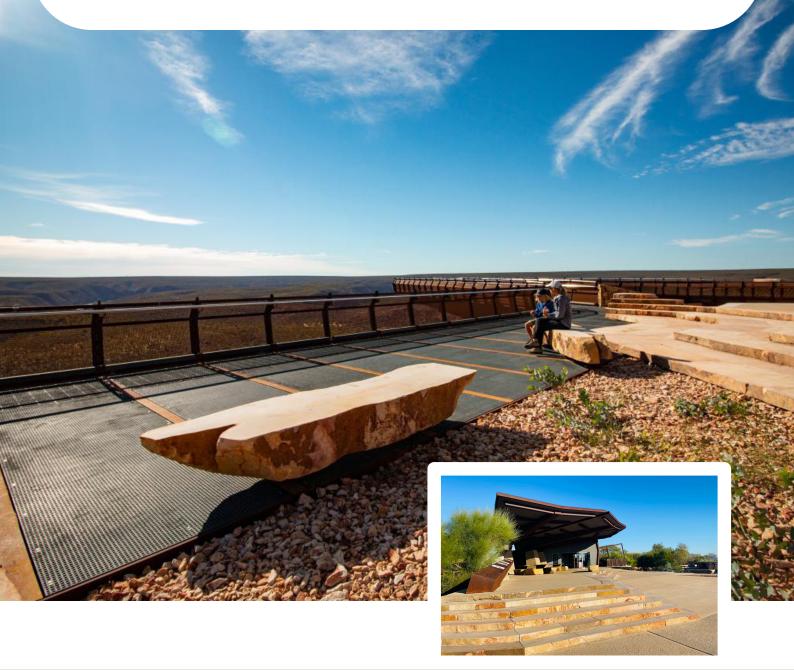


There are toilets at the Kalbarri Skywalk. My trusted person will show me where they are.





If I am hungry, I might visit the kiosk. I might sit at a bench and have a snack. Or, I might have a picnic.







The Kalbarri Skywalk might be noisy sometimes.

I might hear animals.

There might be people making noise.

To help with the noise, I can bring my ear defenders or ear plugs.

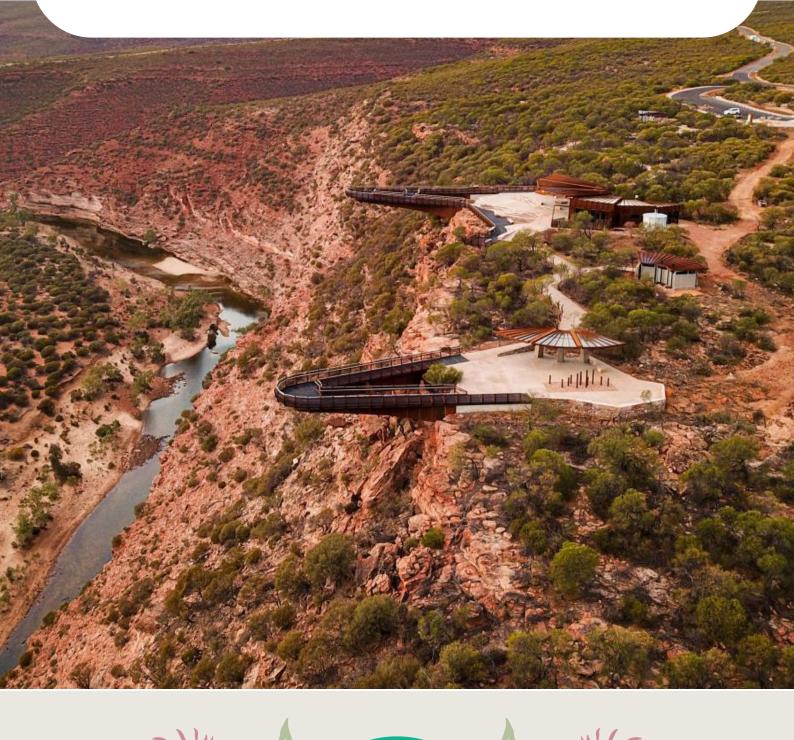
My trusted person might take me to a quiet area.



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When it is time to go home, my trusted person will tell me.

The Kalbarri Skywalk is lots of fun!



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