



MYROODAH CROSSING

FITZROY RIVER - WESTERN AUSTRALIA

A Country Campfire offline campground guide

FIRST-HAND CAMPGROUND YARN

Four nights beside the Fitzroy River with Gary Barten

Visited August 2026 - free bush camp - caravan - couple with two dogs

GPS

-18.0805740, 124.2250400

Submitted by Gary Barten for The Campground Project

COUNTRY CAMPFIRE - AUSTRALIA'S DIGITAL CAMPFIRE



SCAN FOR THE LIVE ARTICLE

A shaded camp beside the Fitzroy

**COST****Free when visited****FACILITIES****None****SETUP****Caravan****STAY****Four nights**

Myroodah Crossing is a concrete causeway across the Fitzroy River. Gary described several camping options. On the southern upstream side were large sites with river views and shade from river gums, although they sat about 100 metres from the water during his visit and were separated from it by soft river sand.

Gary and his travelling companion chose the immediate northern upstream side. Their site sat right on the riverbank beneath paperbark trees, close to the causeway and heavily shaded through the day. They stayed four nights and left only because the shade meant their caravan battery received virtually no solar charge.

WHY GARY WOULD RETURN

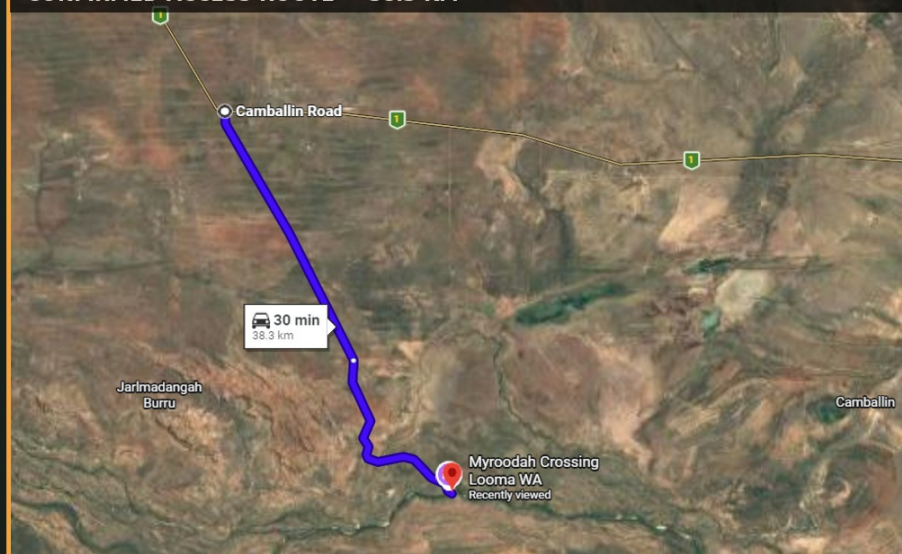
We loved our stay here. The campsite offered the perfect mix of relaxing and activities - namely swimming and fishing.

Getting to Myroodah Crossing

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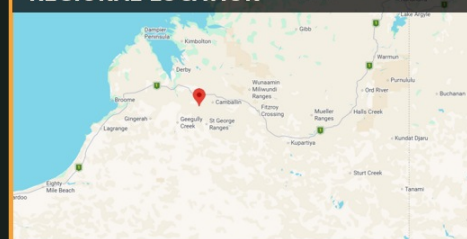
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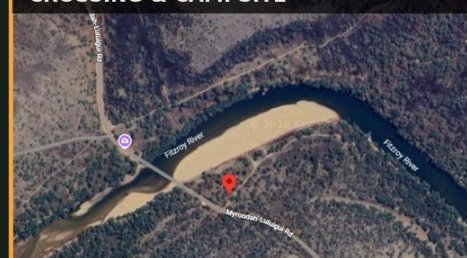
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Road alignment reproduced from supplied map screenshots • No unverified roads or tracks added

REGIONAL LOCATION



CROSSING & CAMPSITE



COUNTRY CAMPFIRE

ROUTE SUPPLIED BY GARY

From Willare Roadhouse: travel 55 km east along the Great Northern Highway to the Camballin turn-off, then follow the unsealed road for about 38 km to Myroodah Crossing.

From Fitzroy Crossing: travel 175 km west along the Great Northern Highway to the Camballin turn-off.

Access during Gary's visit

Once off the sealed Great Northern Highway, Gary found the drive straightforward and about 30 minutes long. The unsealed road was corrugated, so they aired down the tyres on both the vehicle and caravan to smooth the ride. He considered the route suitable for all vehicle and camper or caravan types at that time.

SEASONAL UNCERTAINTY

Gary could not confirm wet-season access. He expected that unsealed roads in the area may close and the crossing may become impassable when river levels rise. Check current road and river conditions before travelling.

River days, fishing and cherabin



THE FITZROY RIVER DURING GARY'S AUGUST 2026 STAY

Gary's days at Myroodah mixed quiet time around camp with plenty of activity. They swam in clear freshwater downstream of the causeway, trapped good-sized cherabin and used a cast net to catch live bait. Fishing further upstream in deeper water produced four serious barramundi encounters, but snags and failed rigs meant every one got away.



CASTING FOR LIVE BAIT



CHERABIN FROM THE RIVER

CROCODILE-COUNTRY CONTEXT

Gary reported saltwater crocodile country and saw freshwater crocodiles sunning upstream. His group chose a shallow, clear area below the causeway after seeing local families swimming there. This records their experience only - it is not general swimming advice. Conditions and crocodile risk can change.

A very small fish with a very sharp lesson

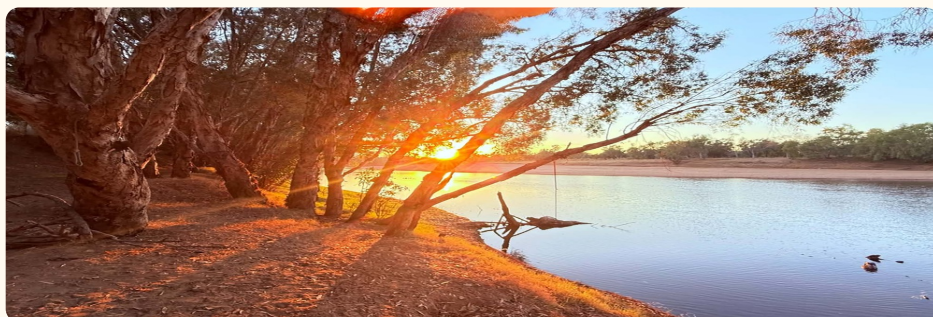


While sorting small fish from the cast net, Gary picked up one about the size of a 50-cent coin to return it to the river. An erect dorsal spine struck his finger. The pain was immediate and intense, and the finger remained swollen and throbbing for the rest of the day.

Later that night, Gary searched for stinging freshwater fish of the Fitzroy River and identified the fish as a striped butterflyfish. He found warnings that its dorsal spines could deliver a painful sting and should be handled with extreme care. When more appeared in the net, he gave the tiny fish and those needle-like spines his full respect.

GARY'S PRACTICAL TAKEAWAY

Treat unfamiliar fish carefully, especially when sorting a cast net. Avoid bare-handed contact with erect dorsal spines and seek current medical advice if stung. The fish identification in this guide records Gary's later research rather than a formal specimen identification.



LIVE ARTICLE

Myroodah Crossing at a glance



LOCATION	Fitzroy River near Willare, Western Australia
COORDINATES	-18.0805740, 124.2250400
VISITED	August 2026
COST	Free when Gary visited
FACILITIES	Basic bush camp - no facilities
ACCESS	About 38 km of unsealed road from the Camballin turn-off
ROAD	Corrugated during Gary's visit; they aired down vehicle and caravan tyres
FIRES	Allowed during Gary's visit; check current restrictions
SETUP	Gary visited with a caravan, travelling as a couple with two dogs

BEST MEMORY Four quiet nights, swimming, cherabin and barramundi that got away

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<https://countrycampfire.com.au/myroodah-crossing-fitzroy-river-wa/>

AROUND THE CAMPFIRE

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