

Duration:
Half Day

Cultural Immersion



This program is an “on country” experience and has been designed to provide participants with a greater understanding of Noongar people, Noongar culture, and Noongar way of life, both previously and in contemporary society.

It provides an opportunity to explore different perspectives and provides an extension of existing knowledge and to gain another view of country and better understand “Aboriginal” connection to country, both spiritually and physically.

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Workshop Objective:

The workshop content expands on information generally presented in a classroom-based workshop but more so addresses some of the many question’s participants have in regard to the everyday lives of Aboriginal people. The workshop incorporates interactive group activities and walk/talk tours, designed to:

- » Provide an understanding of differences in relation to language and communication methods, identity and community, family relationships and spirituality.
- » Provide unique cultural experiences for participants to develop a new perspective on Aboriginal people’s lives and the world they live in.
- » Gain an understanding of traditional lifestyles and ways of living off the land.
- » Information about tools, and artefacts to assist in gathering and hunting for foods, such as berries and larger game.

- » Information about the Noongar; “Six Seasons” which governed Aboriginal life and how people interacted with the land, by using only what was needed.
- » Explore the use of fire (burning off the land) so it was regenerated for future use.

Summary:

Cultural Immersion workshops can be conducted over a half or full day, around various locations that have both historical and spiritual significance to local Aboriginal people. As with other workshops they can be customised to suit specific time frames and learning objectives. Some workshops conclude with a Panel Session to discuss:

Current issues of concern that Aboriginal people and communities are confronted with daily; and how this continues to stifle the ability for Aboriginal people and communities to feel valued in this country.

