

This is a photo-essay. The images were not taken by Jan van de Kam, Adrian Boyle, Ric Else or Nigel Jackett.

They were taken by me, so that should dampen your enthusiasm! For example the horizon on a slant is not a natural phenomenon of huge tides (believe it or not) but just rubbish picture taking.

If Dear reader you don't know the bay then this will make little sense to you but I know many of you do know the bay and many of the places will be familiar to you from catching activities.

For ex-BBO staff it will all be very familiar and I particularly hope you enjoy it. The last image is a full 5.8km from the mouth of Crab Creek but the water has made it there snaking its way across the plains via various open claypans, channels and pools to end up close to the gate that leads to the 12 Mile track and Tagarana bore.

April 10 in the year of 2020, high tide was at 11.58hrs and was a height of 10.59m.

I have lived in Broome for over 24 years and been in the bay more days over that period than I haven't been.

This is the highest tide there has been in all those years.

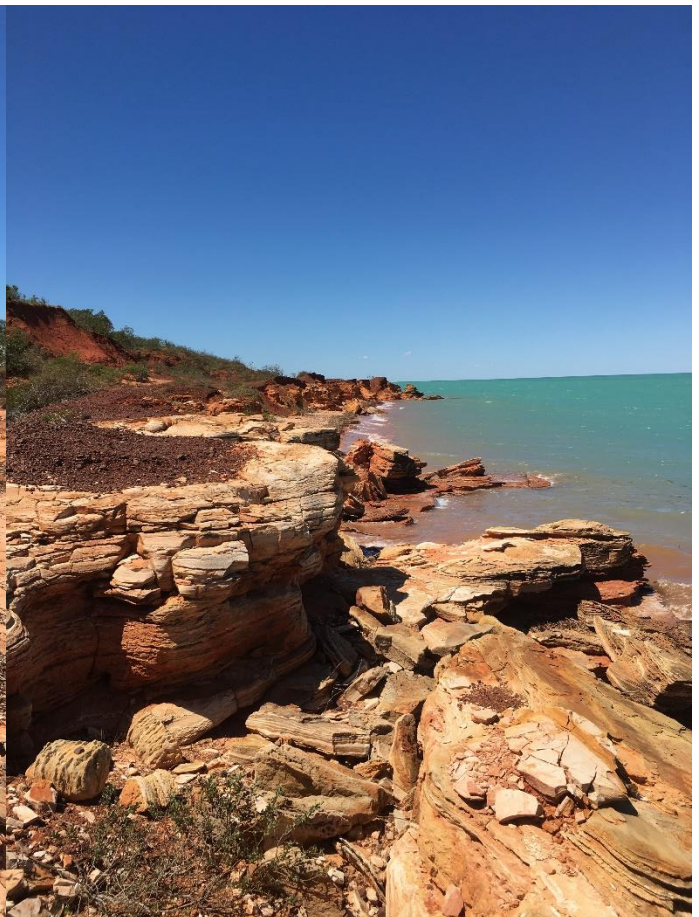
We will travel from west to east, starting at Quarry Beach and visit most of the major roosts. And at most sites we will look west (towards Broome) and then east (towards Crab Creek).

I started 30 minutes before peak tide at Quarry and finished about 20 minutes after peak at One Tree.

I didn't go to Richard's Point as there were many 100's of birds all over the rocks there, the stack that I use as a hide when catching, and if I had gone down I would have disturbed them all.

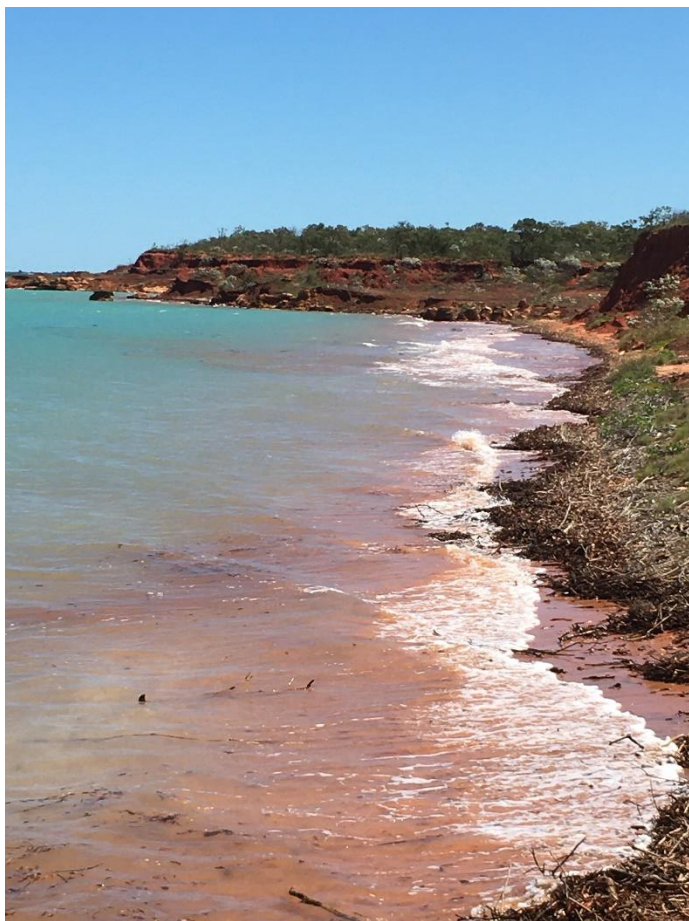


Quarry Beach looking west



Quarry Beach looking east





Two Dog Hermit looking west



Two Dog Hermit looking east



Nick's Beach looking west



Nicks Beach looking east

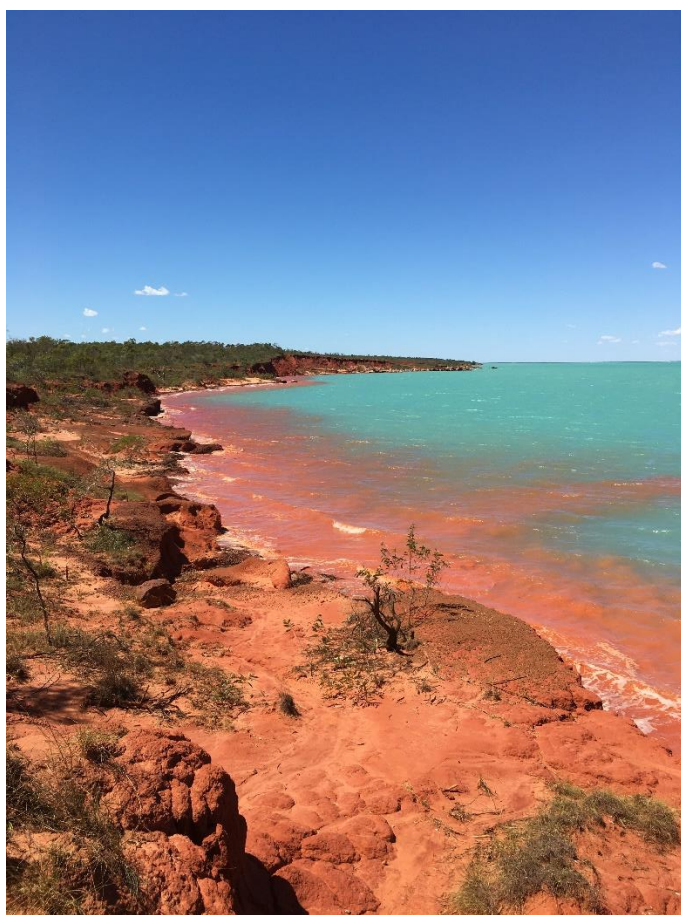




Eagles Roost looking west



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Campsite looking east (from Eagles Roost)



Campsite looking west





Tattler Rocks (well, rock)





Wader Beach looking west



Wader Beach looking east



BBO Platform looking west



BBO Platform looking east





Minton's Strait (east) looking west



Minton's Strait (east) looking east



Minton's Strait 1998 from the same spot. The tide wasn't as big as this one it is the erosion of the cliff that makes the view so different.





Minton's Straight (mid) looking west



Minton's Straight (mid) looking east



Stilt Viewing looking east





One Tree looking east



The track to Little Crab Creek from One Tree



The back track to BBO from One Tree





5.8km from the mouth of Crab Creek, that's salt water not rain water.

Stay safe.