



... Australia's oldest pearl farmers culturing pearls at Australia's longest running pearl farm ...



KIMBERLEY MARINE
RESEARCH STATION



2009
KIMBERLEY MARINE RESEARCH STATION OPENED by Cygnet Bay Pearls at Cygnet Bay. The only dedicated marine research station in the Kimberley. And one of only three independently funded marine research stations in the world.

2016
CYGNET BAY
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PEARLS

Cygnet Bay celebrates 70 years in the pearling industry.

There is nothing more authentic than an Australian South Sea Pearl purchased from Australia's pearling pioneers.

2009
CYGNET BAY PEARL FARM OPENS TO THE PUBLIC. The only commercial pearl farm opens to the public. Pearl farm and marine tours, pearls direct to the public, dining and accommodation.

2000
The second industry – *Pinctada maxima* cultured pearls

2005
KURI BAY CEASES PEARL PRODUCTION. Kuri Bay, Australia's first pearl farm, established by Pearls Pty Ltd (PPL) in 1956 ceases production.

2007
GLOBAL FINANCIAL CRISIS. Pearl wholesale market crashes.

2008
KAILIS EXITS THE INDUSTRY Kailis pearls sells their cultured pearl operations and exits the industry.

2010
2009 ONLY THREE PEARLERS LEFT. Of the 16 companies that have held pearling licences in WA, only three producers are left: Clipper Pearls, Paspaley Pearls and Cygnet Bay Pearls.

2015
WILLIE CREEK PEARLS ENTERS PEARLING INDUSTRY buying a pearling licence and quota. This award winning tourism business is the first new entrant in decades to join the WA pearling industry.



The world's largest fine quality round pearl

Harvested in 2004 this pearl is believed to be the world's largest fine quality round pearl, 22.24mm with a pink hue it is an exceptional gem with extraordinary rarity value across all five virtues of pearl grading. This pearl is a testament to the skills and knowledge gained from decades of perseverance in the quest for pearl perfection by Australia's oldest pearl farmers at Cygnet Bay Pearls.