

Meanings and pronunciation of many Aboriginal/ Noongar place names have been distorted as well as lost over the years. Those listed below are some of the more authentic.

Badjebup - Place of wild rushes.

Balgarup - Place of black boy trees (balga).

Boyup Brook - Place of smoke (buyu).

Boyanup - Place of quartz stones (boya).

Boranup Hill - Place of the male dog (borang).

Carbarup or Carbunup - Place of cormorants (carbanga).

Cardup - Place of the racehorse goanna (karda).

Chittering - Place where the willy wag tail nests (chitty chitty).

Cowaramup - Place of the purple crowned lorikeet (kowara).

Dangin - Place of the needle bush or hakea (djanja).

Dwarda - Dingo.

Goomalling - Place of the silver-grey possum (goomal).

Gnowangerup - Place where the mallee fowl nests (gnow).

Kojonup - Place of the south-west stone axe (kadjo) and the stone used to make it (kadjor).

Kulyaling - Place of edible frogs (kulya).

Kuringup - Place of wattle gum.

Kwobrup - Place where it is good (kwobba).

Nornalup - Place of the black snake (norn).

Ongerup - Place of the kangaroo (yonga).

Pootenup - Place of the native hybrid mallee tree (poort).

Quairading - Place of the bush kangaroo (quarra).

Quindalup - Place of bandicoots (quinda)

Tambellup - From toombelarup - place of thunder.

Wagin and Wagerup - Place of the emu.

Wilga - Known for its Red ochre.

Wokalup - Place of the carpet snake (wokal).

Warriup Hill - Place of the female kangaroo (warra).

Yanchep - Place where the rush (yanget) grows.

Yornup - Place of the bobtail lizard (yorna).

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