

Grazing fundamentals EDGE

management of
spinifex pastures
workshop

Foundations for grazing production

This workshop will be based on the Grazing Fundamentals program but will extend into a second day to allow more time to discuss spinifex. The spinifex content will be delivered across both days, with material integrated rather than separated into standalone sessions.

Grazing fundamentals EDGE has been designed to give you a broad understanding of the components of the grazing production system and the core principles behind optimising grazing land productivity. It provides a solid foundation for the making of informed and responsible management decisions.

The management of spinifex pastures component of the workshop will be based on findings from interviews with 33 experienced pastoralists, Traditional Owners and rangeland scientists.

You will learn about:

- environmental regulators of pasture growth and quality
- seasonal pasture growth patterns in the Pilbara and key decision dates
- soil properties and how they influence pasture growth
- grazing impacts on pasture plants, productivity and growth
- assessing land condition and how this affects carrying capacity
- pasture spelling – when and how to use it
- spinifex biology
- cool and hot fires
- wildfire mitigation

Increase your understanding of:

- the connection between land condition, pasture growth and animal production
- understand how climate influences pasture growth
- how burning influences feed quality in a spinifex pasture
- burning intervals in a spinifex pasture
- influence of fire on plant species composition.

Course structure: Two-day workshop combining training and practical sessions
Course size: 20–25 people



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This workshop has been supported by the Northern Hub to help landowners and pastoralists strengthen their resilience to climate challenges – from drought to rising temperatures – through practical innovation and proven know how.

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Location will be confirmed based on participant interest



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