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THE STUART HIGHWAY

COOBER PEDY TO TENNANT CREEK - 1177 KM

Allow approx. 9+ days - Add time to appreciate attractions to see, adventures to explore, stops in roadhouses, and rest days.

Coober Pedy



ADELAIDE TO COOBER PEDY

846 km 1 - 4 DAYS

Coober Pedy 6-day itinerary on Page 8

Starting in Adelaide, South Australia call into some of Australia's favourite natural icons. Explore Coober Pedy through to the Northern Territory onto Uluru Kata Tjuta, Watarrka / Kings Canyon, the MacDonnell Ranges and Karlu Karlu / Devils Marbles and onto Darwin. Your love of adventure will see you follow the route of the 1862 explorer John McDouall Stuart, to whom the Stuart Highway was named.



Painted Desert

COOBER PEDY TO ULURU

734 km 1 - 2 DAYS

More details on Pages 16-25

Leaving Coober Pedy, you are heading north towards the Northern Territory border and onto the Stuart/Lasseter's Highways to Uluru Kata Tjuta National Park, passing Mt Conner often confusing visitors of an early sighting of another famous red icon!

ULURU TO WATARRKA/KINGS CANYON

300 km 1 DAY

More details on Page 26-27

Heading from Uluru Kata Tjuta National Park, drive along the Lasseter Highway to the Luritja Highway turnoff. Drive through desert oak country and arrive at the stunning Watarrka / Kings Canyon with walking trails, huge sandstone walls and breathtaking views.

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Watarrka / Kings Canyon

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Get to Coober Pedy for a truly unique experience where the colours of the outback are as stunning as the gems found underground. Allow time to really explore this region, it won't disappoint!



WATARRKA/KINGS CANYON TO ALICE SPRINGS*

474 km 1 - 2 DAYS

**Permit required*
[More details on Page 94](#)

After your day/s in this region you have the choice of following the Red Centre Way and along the Mereenie Loop road, providing you have a 4WD vehicle, or the sealed Luritja and Lasseter Highways that will bring you back to the Stuart Highway and north to Alice Springs. Allow extra times/days for Henbury Meteorite Conservation Park, Stuarts Well Roadhouse and Rainbow Valley stop overs.

WEST MACDONNELL RANGES AND GLEN HELEN

103 KM ONE WAY 1+ DAY

[More details on Pages 94-100](#)

Part of the Red Centre Way, this easy day trip from Alice Springs takes you along a sealed road to walking trails, stunning Chasms, and gorgeous gorges! Enjoy the waterholes with a swim, and enjoy some of the unique spots like the Ochre Pits, Ellery Big Hole and Ormiston Gorge. Plan extra days if you wish to enjoy camping adventures.

ALICE SPRINGS TO TENNANT CREEK

510 km 1+ DAY

[More details on Page 106-107](#)

North of Alice Springs you travel through many points of interest both with historical and natural beauty, from Connors Well to Native Gap to the incredible Karlu Karlu / Devils Marbles, important to the Warumungu people. These massive boulders are continually cracking and changing and are strewn across a wide and shallow valley.

The Explorers Way continues from Tennant Creek to Darwin for another 989 km. The changing landscapes are all beautiful, so take your time to really explore.



When crossing from Queensland into the Northern Territory you need to put your clocks back ½ hour. Neither place has daylight saving. South Australia and the Northern Territory usually share the same time, except from October to March, SA is one hour ahead. If crossing from Western Australia into the Northern Territory add 1 ½ hours.

WELCOME TO COOBER PEDY

We want you to enjoy our unique surroundings – filled with colour, the perennial hope of discovery and the chance of great riches. Founded by human perseverance and indomitable personalities, Coober Pedy has outlived its wild-west history to share its multicultural community with all visitors.

Situated between Adelaide and Alice Springs on the Stuart Highway, the remote town of Coober Pedy is world renowned for opal mining, steeped in mineral wealth and local history.



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BIG WINCH 360° Perching over Coober Pedy and offering spectacular views, this renowned attraction is a popular place for locals and visitors alike. Enjoy SA food & wine in the Café & Bar while getting that memorable sunset shot that lasts a lifetime. Eat, drink and enjoy the view!

6 DAY SUGGESTED ITINERARY

DAY 1 GET OUTBACK

- ▶ Visitor Information Centre
- ▶ Dingo Fence - Moon Plain
- ▶ Kanku/The Breakaways

DAY 2 GET UNDERGROUND

- ▶ Explore the Town - Shopping - stock up
- ▶ Underground Churches - Book shop - Galleries - Cafes
- ▶ Heritage Trail Self Guided
- ▶ The Big Winch 360

DAY 3 OPAL CAPITAL

- ▶ Tour of Mine - Museums (guided or self guided)
- ▶ Multicultural Dining options

DAY 4,5,6 DAY TRIPS

- ▶ The Mail Run
- ▶ Painted Desert
- ▶ William Creek

DON'T SPEED - DON'T RISK IT!

COOBER PEDY TO GLENDAMBO 254kms

HOW FAST - HOW LONG - HOW MUCH!

110 km per hour = 2 hours+20 mins

120 km per hour - save 10 mins + \$450 + points

130 km per hour - save 20 mins + \$850 + points



TYPES OF OPAL

GREY/WHITE/MILKY OPAL

Found in Coober Pedy, Mintabie, Andamooka, White Cliffs. The base colour is light, white or a greyish colour. Considered the lowest grade of the Precious Opal.

CRYSTAL OPAL

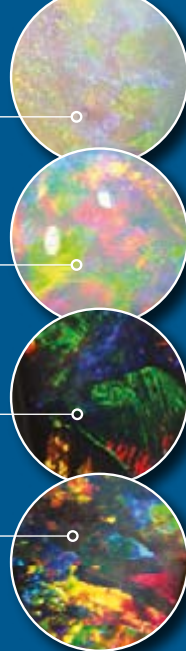
Found in the SA Opal Fields. The base colour is transparent or very translucent. The quality and value increases as range, brightness, and size of the colour play inside the stone improves.

BLACK OPAL

Predominantly Lightning Ridge in NSW. The body colouring is a smoky to very dark grey, to black. The darker, the higher the value.

BOULDER OPAL

Found in the inland QLD Fields. Layers of Opal are naturally formed in narrow cavities in ironstone - often giving the opal an uneven surface, or a mix of opal and ironstone on the surface.



Opal was first discovered in 1915, with an influx of prospectors from around the world with community still including 40 nationalities you will find today.

At least 20 different retailers display the incredible beauty and variety of opal found locally. Museums & tours throughout the area feature both the mining history and the modern methods used.

View underground churches, sculpted from the beautiful sandstone, picturesque landscapes and horizons as far as the eye can see. Where better to escape the heat and dust than staying underground, where the temperature is naturally cool and the peaceful ambience ensures a good night's sleep. It's a tourism experience you can't have anywhere else in the world - you will want to stay more than one night.

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ANNUAL EVENTS 2022

APRIL Coober Pedy Gem Trade Show (April 16 & 17)

cooberpedy.com/coober-pedy-gem-trade-show

MAY The Great Kanku-Breakaways Marathon & Fun Run (May 21)

www.greatkanku-breakawaysmarathon.com.au

JUNE Coober Pedy Opal Festival (June 18)

www.opalfestival.com.au

For more events, up to date information and changes please contact:

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Umoona Opal Mine & Museum

UMOONA OPAL MINE & MUSEUM provides an award-winning tourist attraction in Coober Pedy, South Australia - the opal capital of the world. The largest underground complex in town, Umoona Opal Mine provides the complete tourism package with a unique and informative experience for visitors of all ages. Located on Coober Pedy's main road, Umoona is 850 kilometres north of Adelaide and 680 kilometres south of Alice Springs, making it ideally situated for outback tour stopovers. Indeed, for many thousands of tourists each year, Umoona Mine and Museum is the focus of their stay in Coober Pedy. Umoona is a member of the Jewellers Association of Australia, the Opal Association of Australia, and the South Australian Tourism Commission (SATC).

ANCIENT HISTORY

Around 150 million years ago the area that is now Coober Pedy's opal fields, was an inland sea. Over millennia, the sea water receded, and with the lowering of the underground water, silica solutions trapped in the cavities and faults in the underground, became the opals found here today.

ABORIGINAL HISTORY

Over tens of thousands of years, the Indigenous people of the region, the Anangu, called Antakirinya, Matu-Yankunytjajara, Arabana or Kokatha walked this desert environment. They were nomadic hunter gatherers, travelling in search of food and water supplies and for their important traditional ceremonies. The present-day name of Coober Pedy is named 'Umoona' in their language, meaning 'long life'. This is also the name used for a common tree in the region, the mulga tree.

RECENT HISTORY

The first European explorer to visit the area was John McDouall Stuart in 1858. It wasn't until 1915 that opal was first discovered by 14 year old Will Hutchison, while with his father's gold prospecting party. Until 1920 this was called Stuart Range Opal Field, when a new name was decided on, so a post office could be established. Stuart Range was deemed unsuitable as it was too similar to Stewart Range also in South Australia. The new name was established by the Progress Committee, made up of local miners and Coober Pedy was chosen. The name is an Aboriginal term - Kupa Piti, meaning 'white man in a hole' derived from Anangu words.

Shafts were dug originally by hand with basic tools like pick and shovel, hand windlass and bucket.



The Breakaways

THE BREAKAWAYS

Only 32 kms north of Coober Pedy, the turn off to the Kanku - Breakaways Conservation Park takes you along a formed dirt road to the registered and owned Aboriginal heritage site. They consist of colourful low hills that have 'broken away' from the Stuart Range, hence their name The Breakaways. There are 2 lookout points to enjoy, highlighting the large open spaces and colourful hills, once a vast inland sea.

With fascinating formations such as Papa Kutjara in the east, many parts of this region have been used by TV advertising, blockbuster films; including Mad Max Beyond Thunderdome, Ground Zero, and more recently Mortal Kombat.

This is a photographer's delight at any time of day and especially at sunset. The 70 km round trip, taking you east along the hills, includes the famous 2m high Dog Fence - a 5,300 km wire barrier stretching along 3 states, protecting the sheep country in the south from the native dingo.

Permits are required - Purchase from the Visitor information Centre or Underground Bookstore. \$10 per vehicle or \$8 concession.



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Noodling is the process which you can search through mounds of mullock for pieces of opal, often missed by miners. Locals have made a living out of it and it is popular with visitors.

Search around town and most stores have small noodling pits for you to try your luck! You may find a special gem or even a small keepsake of your time in Coober Pedy.

The **OLD TIMERS MINE** is a unique experience the whole family will enjoy. Take the self-guided tour at your own pace and time and explore an underground opal mine from 1916.

Wear a hard hat and see the natural seams of opal and fossils, as you wander through one of the first working mines. Enjoy the museum full of the history of Coober Pedy and the hard times of early mining and living. Discover the original underground home from the 1960's, with rooms set just as they were in those bygone days.

With a huge range of assorted opals on show, from colourful uncut stones to pieces made into stunning jewellery, you will find something to match your taste and budget.

With souvenirs for memory keep-sakes, The Old Timers Mine is a must-do in Coober Pedy.

OLD TIMERS MINE & MUSEUM

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COOBER PEDY HERITAGE TRAIL

The Coober Pedy Historical Society maintains and preserves a collection of over 4,000 documents & photos which are recognised as being of national significance. Volunteers of this organization are to be commended. Interpretive signs along most sites helps you explore the Coober Pedy Heritage Trail. **See Map page 14/15**

- 1 **OLD CEMETERY** first burial in 1921
- 2 **OLD TIMERS MINE & DUGOUT***
An original 1916 hand-dug mine
- 3 **OLD WATER TANK & WATER RESERVE**
1922 important story
- 4 **JEWELLER'S SHOP OPAL FIELD** Fossicking and history
- 5 **OLD POLICE LOCKUP, OLD DUGOUT AND UMOONA ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY** Coober Pedy's first buildings
- 6 **MEDICAL SERVICES HISTORY** from early days
- 7 **GEORGE BURFOD'S DUGOUT**
(a private dwelling) State Heritage listed
- 8 **COOBER PEDY CHURCHES** Heritage listed underground
- 9 **UNDERGROUND POST OFFICE & OLD DUGOUTS**
on Post Office Hill - First of its kind
- 10 **THE BIG FLAT OPAL** First mined in 1915
- 11 **COOBER PEDY AREA SCHOOL** beginning in 1960
- 12 **JOHN MCDOUALL STUART MONUMENT**
First European explorer
- 13 **WILL HUTCHISON MONUMENT** The first opal found in 1915

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KANKU-BREAKAWAYS
CONSERVATION PARK 7km
DOG FENCE 13km

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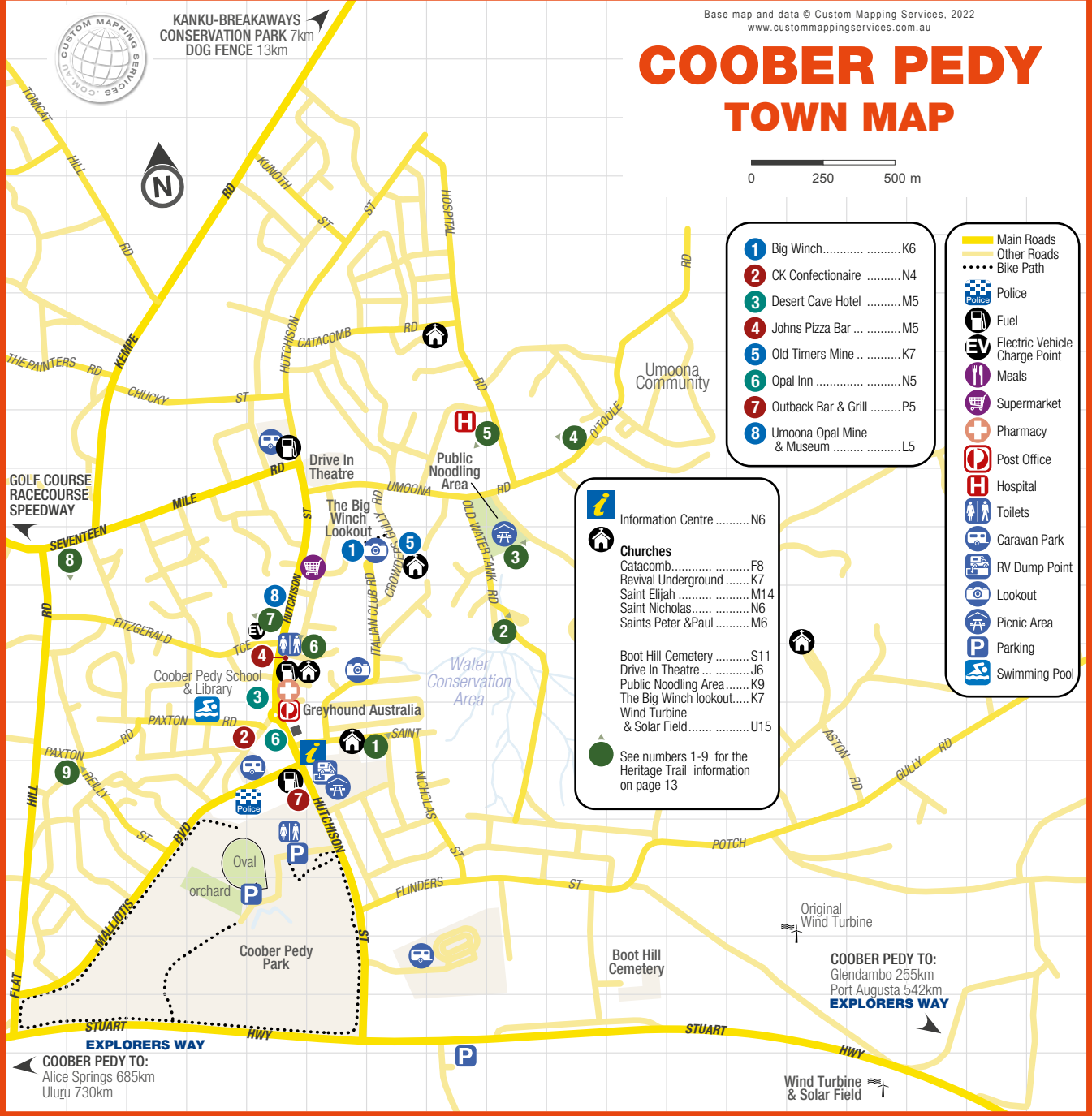
COOBER PEDY TOWN MAP



- 1 Big Winch K6
- 2 CK Confectionaire N4
- 3 Desert Cave Hotel M5
- 4 Johns Pizza Bar M5
- 5 Old Timers Mine K7
- 6 Opal Inn N5
- 7 Outback Bar & Grill P5
- 8 Umoona Opal Mine & Museum L5

- Main Roads
- Other Roads
- Bike Path
- Police
- Fuel
- Electric Vehicle Charge Point
- Meals
- Supermarket
- Pharmacy
- Post Office
- Hospital
- Toilets
- Caravan Park
- RV Dump Point
- Lookout
- Picnic Area
- Parking
- Swimming Pool

- Information Centre N6
 - Churches**
 - Catacomb F8
 - Revival Underground K7
 - Saint Elijah M14
 - Saint Nicholas N6
 - Saints Peter & Paul M6
 - Boot Hill Cemetery S11
 - Drive In Theatre J6
 - Public Noodling Area K9
 - The Big Winch lookout K7
 - Wind Turbine & Solar Field U15
- See numbers 1-9 for the Heritage Trail information on page 13



COOBER PEDY TO:
Alice Springs 685km
Uluru 730km

COOBER PEDY TO:
Glendambo 255km
Port Augusta 542km
EXPLORERS WAY

Wind Turbine & Solar Field



CURTIN SPRINGS

Mount Conner, located on the private property of Curtin Springs Station, reaches 859 metres (2,818 ft) above sea level or 344m above the surrounding plains. It is a distinctive flat-topped sandstone mesa. It is often confused with another famous 'rock'. You can only access Mt Conner by joining a tour or a Curtin Springs Walk. Ask at Curtin Springs Wayside Inn for further details.



Mt Conner

Central Australia has a long, proud and strong pastoral industry. The land you will drive through on your visit is predominately privately owned, having been settled by very early explorers. These properties are challenged by the extreme environment and are now productive cattle stations. Curtin Springs Station is no exception.

"Not long after we arrived in 1956, the heavens opened up and it rained 1 inch. Then it didn't rain again for 9 years!" (Peter Severin)

Peter & Dawn with their toddler son Ash arrived in Curtin Springs with 1500 cattle. Their home for the first three hard years was under the Bough Shed and they saw 6 visitors in their first year here. In the late Fifties, the first tourism pioneers began a new industry as Dawn saw the opportunity to diversify and supply scones and tea.

Australia continues to pull visitors to the rugged outback and Curtin Springs stands as testament to the commitment made by the Severin family to both the pastoral and tourism industries.

WHAT IS A WAYSIDE INN?

In early days pastoral cattle stations were called upon to provide services for an increasing number of tourists. From this grew 'Wayside Inns'. They were created, providing structured support and a range of services to the travelling public. They had to offer their services 365 days a year and could be open 24 hours a day. As visitor numbers increased further, roadhouses were created with more emphasis on fuel, but usually shorter open hours. Wayside Inns provide an iconic experience in the NT, where visitors get to spend time with the 'locals'.



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ROAD TRIP – DRIVE TIPS

- The Northern Territory (NT) has vast stretches of variable speed and surfaced roads. The speed limit in the NT is 110 km per hour on open roads unless otherwise signposted.
- Reduce to a safe slower speed on unsealed roads.
- Do not drive on 4WD tracks with a 2WD vehicle.
- If you are not accustomed to driving long distances or in extreme heat, driver's fatigue can occur, so stop and rest frequently at regular rest stops available.
- Many national roads travel through national parks and stations. Avoid driving at dusk or dawn or even at night as stock/wildlife may cross the roads. Do not swerve suddenly and safely reduce your speed.
- Note that different school zone times apply in the NT.
- Don't drive in convoys especially if you are towing a caravan. Allow at least 200m between vehicles, especially to allow road trains to overtake safely.
- Ensure your vehicle's windscreens, mirrors and windows are clean and unobstructed.
- Ensure vehicle is fuelled up and tyre pressures checked, due to long distances between roadhouses.
- Ensure pets are correctly restrained by using a secured carry box or a pet seatbelt.
- Plan activities to keep your children content.
- Road conditions can change quickly, particularly in the Wet Season during October to May.
- Check on a map where you are going before you depart, as mobile phone coverage is limited. Plan your route and regardless of how experienced you are, let responsible people know which routes you plan to travel and your approximate departure/arrival times.

BEFORE YOU DEPART:

- Check your vehicle is safe and roadworthy
- Don't drive tired, plan for road rest stops every two hours.
- Check road conditions and weather reports

Check road conditions within NT parks - 4WD and 2WD tracks:

<https://roadreport.nt.gov.au/home>

ULURU KATA TJUTA NATIONAL PARK

An experience that will stay with you for a lifetime. The sheer red rock, its massive presence will wow your senses. Allow time to absorb the sight upon your arrival, explore specific viewing areas at sunrise and sunset; it's unforgettable.



The **ANANGU PEOPLE** are the Traditional Owners of Uluru/Kata Tjuta; they welcome everyone to their country. This National Park represents the beating heart of our nation! Located near the centre of the Australian continent, the sacred rock formations of Uluru and Kata Tjuta, are a significant distance away for most visitors; but the moment you first set eyes upon Uluru, you will know that every step of that journey was well worth it!

As you settle into your accommodation, plan to make the most of your 3 day park entrance pass, so you can participate in the variety of experiences on offer.

The Yankunytjatjara and Pitjantjatjara people, the traditional landowners of Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park welcome you to their lands. The local people call themselves Anangu and ask you to use that word too, and they are proud to share their land and culture with you.

TJUKURPA – “our law, stories and spirituality”

This is the foundation of the Anangu Culture and has a complex and deep meaning that links Anangu to the environment and their ancestors.

Covering from the beginning of time, Tjukurpa stories contain important stories of how to survive the desert and rules for appropriate behaviour. They are also used like maps, showing important features and how to travel from place to place, where food and water can be found. These are never written down, but passed on to the right people like an inheritance.

The understanding and depth of these stories increases throughout a person's life. It tells the traditional law on how to care for each other and their land. It tells the relationship between people, plants, animals and the features of the land.

ANANGU WORDS

ANANGU WORD	TRY TO SAY THE WORDS!	WORD MEANING
Uluru	ool-or-roo	Name of a place, like Sydney or London
Kata Tjuta	catta-jew-tah	Many heads
Anangu	arn-ung-oo	Aboriginal people of the Western Desert
Palya	pahl-yah	Hello/goodbye/thankyou/welcome
Tjukurpa	chook-orr-pa	Creation time, law, way of life, story
Kapi	kah-pee	Water
Waru	wah-roo	Fire



Uluru Kata Tjuta National Park



Uluru Kata Tjuta National Park

EXPLORER'S HISTORY & DISCOVERY Although Ernest Giles was the first explorer to identify Ayers Rock / Uluru, it was William Christie Gosse who first climbed the rock in 1873. With 8 months supplies on camel trains, aided by Afghan cameleers, and a 3 month trek from Alice Springs, Gosse named the Rock after Sir Henry Ayers, who later became Premier of South Australia. Gosse also explored nearby Kata Tjuta and named them 'The Olgas' after Queen Olga of Wurtemberg.

A MORE RECENT HISTORY In the 1930s, the first flights and motor vehicles made it to Uluru, but it wasn't until the late 1940s that the first graded road linked Uluru to Alice Springs. Tourism was encouraged when Len Tuit, an Alice Springs local, began to run tours, camping at the base of the Rock and near the Uluru climb. In 1958 records show 2,296 people travelled to Uluru; in recent years this has risen to more than 300,000 visitors a year.

During the 1970s, the Aboriginal Land Council negotiated with authorities on the site for a new town - now called Yulara. By 1980 improved road access and an airport meant more tourists were able to visit the Rock and the Olgas; basic motel accommodation was available with Ayers Rock Campground opening in 1983.

In 1985, the Commonwealth Government handed back the Ayers Rock (Uluru) National Park to Traditional Aboriginal Owners. By 2016 the Tjintu Solar Field was completed - it produces over 15% of the average power supply to Yulara Resort.

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Field of Lights

AYERS ROCK RESORT IN ULURU KATA TJUTA NATIONAL PARK

RESORT INFORMATION - From Cultural tours and stargazing, to a sunset camel ride or reptile show, there is something to intrigue, entertain and fascinate all who immerse themselves in the beauty of this region.

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SERVICES AND FACILITIES - Newsagency, Post Office, banking, souvenir and art shops, an IGA Supermarket and even a hair salon are all conveniently located at the Ayers Rock Resort Town Square.

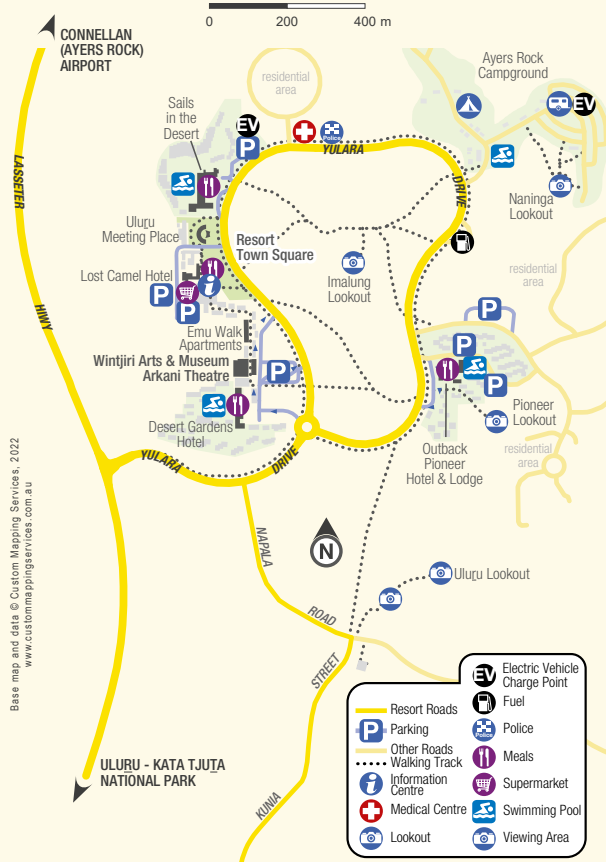
TOUR AND INFORMATION CENTRE - You can use the free hop on/hop off shuttle bus service available to help you get around the Resort. Ayers Rock Autos/Repairs can assist with any mechanical issues and a first aid medical service is available at the resort. There isn't a pharmacy onsite, but the Supermarket sells basic medical supplies.

FREE ACTIVITIES* - There are a number of daily, family-friendly free activities at Ayers Rock Resort, including bush tucker tours; visit the Wintjiri Arts & Museum for a guided tour, or to enjoy watching artists at work, creating their stunning traditional designs; attend a Bush Yarn at the Circle of Sand to learn about ancient traditions of desert life, including the hunting weapons and methods of harvesting various bush tucker plants.

You can also explore the wonderful grounds of the Desert Gardens Hotel, a beautiful example of outback landscaping. A playground and giant chessboard are located in the Ayers Rock Campground.

*Seasonal - Check at the Visitor Information Centre

RESORT TOWN MAP



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Kings Canyon Rim Walk

These ancient red canyon walls soar 100m above Kings Creek to a plateau of rocky domes. The rock holes and gorges are an important refuge for many plants and animals. The sheltered environment below, in the creek bed, has a great range of flora including the MacDonnell Ranges Cycad.

THE KINGS CREEK WALK

(2.6 km, one hour return) - Suitable for families and wheelchair access for the first 700 meters, this gentle slope of the track meanders up Kings Creek.

THE KINGS CANYON RIM WALK

(6 km loop, 3-4 hours) - Suitable for fit and experienced walkers. The first steep climb is worth taking your time with, as it offers spectacular views from the Canyon rim and features the 'Lost City' and the lush vegetation of the 'Garden of Eden'.



Kings Canyon Waterfall

SOUTH WALL RETURN WALK (4.8 km, 2 hours return) - Suitable for fit and experienced walkers. Starting with a steep climb up the southern rim of Kings Canyon this walk offers stunning views of the Park's geological features.

** Check with your accommodation outlet for the gate closing times, as these walks can close early on days when the temperature forecast is 36°C (97°F) or above.*

Tours began in late 1961, thanks to the pioneering family of Jack Cotterill and his sons John and Jim, who set up their new place of Wallara Ranch approximately 110km (70 miles) from the Canyon, which continued running until the late 1980s. Today this region offers a few accommodation options, as there is no camping allowed in the National Park. www.nt.gov.au/parks



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SOUTH OF ALICE SPRINGS

Driving through undulating country along the Stuart Highway, you will come across welcoming roadhouses at Stuarts Well and ERLDUNDA. You will cross the ancient Finke River with its wide sandy bed, one of the oldest natural watercourses in the world.

Mushroom Rock - Rainbow Valley

Just south of Alice Springs are some off-road experiences you don't want to miss. Take the turn off to **RAINBOW VALLEY CONSERVATION RESERVE**, 75 kilometres south of Alice and along 22 kilometres of unsealed road to the scenic sandstone bluffs and cliffs. Here you will find a hidden treasure...

With significant archaeological sites and artefacts - evidence of ancient Aboriginal connections to the area, Rainbow Valley is at its most impressive in the early morning or late afternoon around sunset; Rainbow Valley is a photographer's delight. There are two walking tracks within the Reserve; both are graded easy and are suitable for families. There are several viewing platforms along the way that provide the best views of Rainbow Valley.

Make sure you visit Mushroom Rock, an interesting sandstone formation, which has been carved by wind and rain over millions of years.

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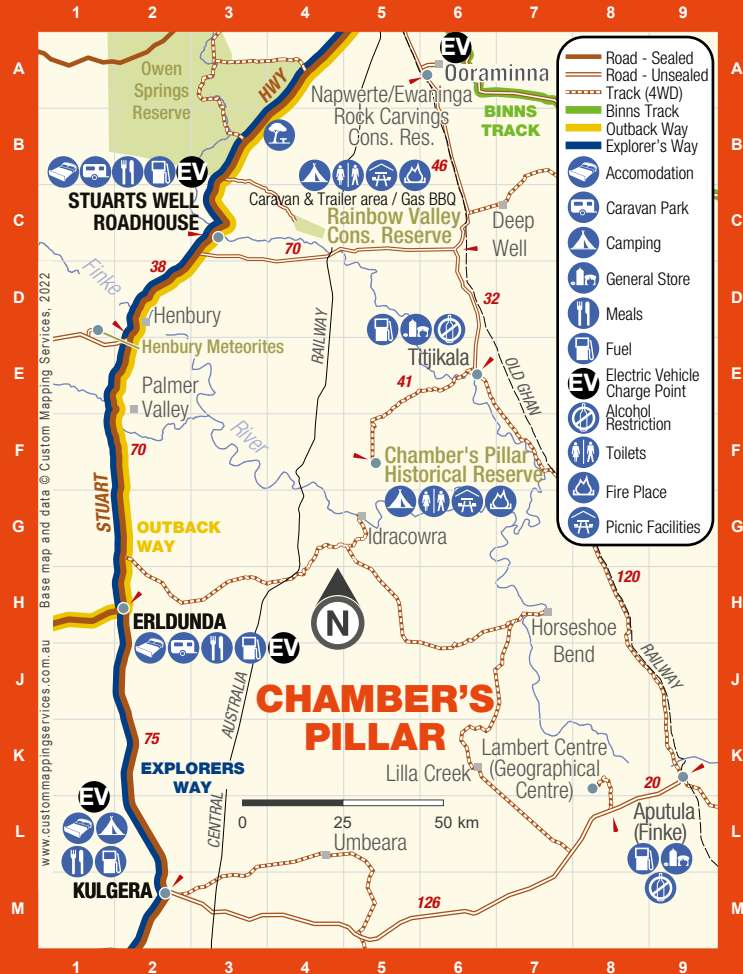
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Rainbow Valley





Napwerte Ewaninga

NAPWERTE EWANINGA

NAPWERTE / EWANINGA ROCK CARVINGS CONSERVATION RESERVE covers a six hectare region, protecting petroglyphs/rock engravings. These valuable links to early Arrernte people are on outcrops of sandstone, forming natural galleries featuring a variety of symbols or motifs. According to Arrernte custodians, these are sacred and too dangerous to reveal to the uninitiated into Aboriginal law.



Ancient art - Napwerte / Ewaninga

LAMBERTS CENTRE named after Dr Bruce Lambert, known as one of Australia's top cartographers, was calculated in 1988 by the Royal Geographical Society of Australia. The centre of land mass is determined as a spot at which a shape, in this case Australia, is balanced on a single point and manages to balance. As this is a complicated process, in the 1930's another point was identified, approximately 11kms from Lamberts, by explorer Dr Cecil Madigan.



Chambers Pillar

CHAMBERS PILLAR HISTORICAL RESERVE

The main access to Chambers Pillar Historical Reserve, 160 km south of Alice Springs, is along the Old South Road on a turnoff to the west of Maryvale Station. The road is unsealed and may be closed after rain. After the Maryvale turnoff, a 4WD is required to negotiate the deep sand drifts and steep jump ups. It is wise to let people in Alice Springs, or your next destination know your travel time for this visit.

As you approach the reserve you will see the 50m high sandstone pillar; it towers impressively over the plains below. This site was recorded by John McDouall Stuart in April 1860, travelling north on his first attempt to cross Australia. Until the coming of the railway in the 1920s, the Pillar was a landmark in the desert on the long overland journey from Adelaide to Alice Springs. Many of those early travellers have left a record of their visit in the soft, white sandstone.

In the Dreamtime the Gecko ancestor Itirkawara, (pronounced itturkar-wara) came here and local Aboriginal people believe both the Pillar and Castle Rock, 500metres to the northeast, are part of this story. At sunrise and sunset, the Pillar glows like a burning ember, as the rays of the sun strike its walls, making an unforgettable sight. Early morning and evening are excellent times to explore the reserve on foot and don't forget your camera. Use the viewing platform at the base of the Pillar - this protects the fragile sandstone from erosion.

As this is a more isolated place off the highway, all visitors are advised to keep to designated roads and tracks in the reserve. The two campground sites provided have wood firepits and pit toilets. Remember to carry and drink plenty of water, and avoid walks in the heat of the day.

UNCONVENTIONAL COMPASS

Hold your watch horizontal to the ground, point the 12 towards the sun.

Mid-point between the 12 and hour hand indicates the north-south line.



Chambers Pillar Campground



ALICE SPRINGS

Werte! Palya! G'day!

Welcome to Alice Springs,
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this is where you spread your wings!

When you hear my welcome bell;
it's a sound so grand and swell;
the word is out and I will tell;
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Meredith Campbell - Alice Springs Town Cryer



Alice Springs at sunset from Anzac Hill

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More than half the land in the Northern Territory is Aboriginal owned and you need a permit to travel through. Ask the friendly staff for any further information.

You are spoilt for choice with attractions and adventures; and that's just close to Alice Springs! A majestic hot air balloon ride at dawn, to a camel ride along the spine of the MacDonnell ranges, or a stroll around the world renowned Desert Park - everyone will find a pace to suit them.

Galleries in Alice Springs offer a range of amazing assorted arts and crafts, with museums dedicated to Namatjira's style, to ones with fossils of some of the oldest birds that once walked the earth, all on show in first class displays.

Guided tours can offer a personalised service to maximise your time in The Red Centre or explore on day trips heading north, south east or west; adventure at your feet - all within 100 km.

Some of the wackiest events are proud, long term, fun packed weekends in the Centre, so make sure you check the guide for what's on while you are here.

The Centre is famous for celebrating all things fun, from boat races in the dry Todd River, to festivals celebrating all things Beansies! Something different is always on offer, so join in the fun and meet some locals along the way.

Enjoy your time in this region best, by making sure you are well prepared for your outback adventure. It's a harsh environment that even the most experienced traveller should respect, so take care with simple planning and advice from the local experts.

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PARRTJIMA

The celebration of the Caterpillar dreaming story is presented in events surrounding Parrtjima, a modern re-telling of the creation of this beautiful landscape. Hosted by the Alice Springs Desert Park, it's here that Parrtjima - a Festival of Light, is held annually. In the words of one of the traditional owners of Alice Springs:

"Parrtjima shows people that the country is alive, so all the non-Arrernte people can have a deeper respect for it, and see how much it means to us. We want people to understand that it has always been a part of us. Parrtjima helps our young people stand tall in front of the world to say 'This is our country, this is our art, and this is our culture - and it is good'".

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Parrtjima - A Festival in Light



AN ANCIENT CULTURE

Often referred to as the Dreamtime or Tjukurpa, the ancient stories that explain the creation and the terrain are just as real to the Traditional owners of the land in Central Australia as they were thousands of years ago. It is thought that where the first written 'Dreamtime stories' were recorded in and around Alice Springs.

The local Arrernte people know the stories and continue to pass them on to future generations. All share the belief in Altyerrenge - ancestral figures - creating the landscape and its features, as well laying the foundation of Arrernte law about country. Stories are all around you, of the caterpillars, beetles, wild dogs, two sisters and euros that made the land as we see it now.

In the past, linguists and missionaries have been part of the recording of the different dialects of the Arrernte peoples from Alice Springs and Central Australia.

Four separate language groups live in and around Alice Springs (Mparntwe); Eastern and Western Arrernte, Central Arrernte and Pertame. As a visitor, it's good to try a few words in the local language.

ARRERNTE WORDS

ARRERNTE WORD	TRY TO SAY THE WORDS!	WORD MEANING
Mbantua	m-barn-twa	Alice Springs (A local translation)
Werte	word-ah	Hello / goodbye
Altyerre	ahhl-chew-ra	Creation time, law, way of life, story
Kwatje	qua-jar	Water
Waru	wah-roo	Fire
Aherre	a-hurra	Kangaroo
Ura	oo-rah	Sun
Taye	tire	Moon



Coles Mural



Atyunpe / Poentie



Irrarnte / Red Tail Cockatoo

ALICE SPRINGS STREET ART - Pick up a copy of the map from the AS Town Council, Town Library or Aquatic & Leisure Centre and discover the many varied public artworks, or follow one of the many Art Trails throughout Alice Springs artmap.alicesprings.nt.gov.au

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Welcome – North of Alice Springs



Flint Grave – Arltunga



John McDouall Stuart

WEATHER CONDITIONS

Being a semi-arid zone, Central Australia has four seasons with temperatures often having large variations throughout each one. From under 0°C (32°F) during the few winter months to an scorching 40+°C (104°F) in the summer months, conditions can be extreme in this harsh environment.

The normally dry Todd River, can quickly go from a muddy trickle to a raging torrent if there is rain north of Alice Springs in the catchment area, catching those unprepared or camping in the river.

The early 1920s were wet ones for Alice Springs, but from 1958 to 1965 there was prolonged drought; in 1973 the Heavitree Gap flooded and the town was cut off from rail and road. The 1983 and 1988 two major floods in Alice Springs left the town without power and when the river broke its banks, several people were drowned.

ALICE SPRINGS AVERAGE TEMPERATURES

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
High	35°	34°	32°	27°	22°	19°	18°	23°	29°	30°	33°	35°
Low	22°	21°	17°	13°	8°	5°	4°	9°	11°	15°	18°	20°

HISTORY OF CENTRAL AUSTRALIA

John McDouall Stuart was born in 1815 in Scotland and in 1839, after coming to join the surveying department in South Australia, he accompanied Charles Sturt on a 17 month expedition to Central Australia in 1844. In 1858 he returned with two others and reached as far as Tennant Creek. By 1862 he eventually reached the north coast after several other attempts that cost him the sight in one eye and a great impact on his health. The Stuart Highway was named in his honour.

The Alice Springs Telegraph Station was established in 1871, connecting the remote town by relaying messages at a speedy pace of 5 hours in Morse code to Java and London! A far cry quicker than 3-4 months by overland and boat.

THE EARLY DAYS

In 1887, the discovery of gold at Arltunga, 100 kilometres east of the present Alice Springs, led to significant European settlement. Cattle stations soon followed, and Afghan camel trains travelled inland via Marree to Oodnadatta and on to Stuart town. All supplies for the miners and station owners were brought on the long journey up from Adelaide in dry and harsh conditions.

Previously called Stuart, the town was changed to Alice Springs in 1933 and named after the wife of the former Postmaster General of South Australia, Sir Charles Todd. In 1909 the first stone building was the Old Stuart Gaol in Parsons Street, followed by the first hospital 'Adelaide House' in 1926, when the European population of the town was about forty.

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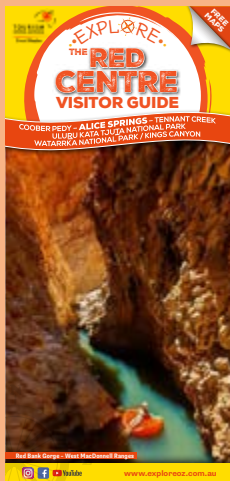
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Stuart Town Gaol



Alice Springs Telegraph Station



Camels in the outback

In 1929, after the train line to the Centre was built, many of the Afghan cameleers settled in Stuart Town. Some became market gardeners supplying much needed fresh vegetables and planted the date palms near the present Town Council. Aboriginal Centralians outnumbered European Centralians until the mid-1930s. Few European women ventured in those early times; with minimal amenities and the relentless summer heat, dust storms and flies. Many of those who did, left a lasting legacy.

In 1939, the population was still under 1000 people and government funds were used to upgrade the Overland Telegraph Track. By 1941, when the first troop carrying convoys were dispatched to the region, the track was a gravel all-weather road.

Alice Springs grew rapidly during World War II, due to being an active staging base with 8000 soldiers posted in peak times. After the war the population dropped again, with the infrastructure injected into the town, Alice Springs was set to grow in time.

The beginning of the tourism boom for the region began in the 1950's, with the first tours leaving Alice Springs for a rough track heading out to the famous monolith of Ayers Rock, now known as Uluru. During the 1960s Alice Springs became an important defence location with the development of the US/Australian Pine Gap joint defence satellite monitoring base, home to about 600 workers from both countries.

Today Alice Springs offers visitors a modern town with all the shopping and chain stores of the big cities, with the charm of local businesses offering first class service and products. With a thriving arts community, sports mad enthusiasts, from a multitude of genres and outback hospitality shining through, enjoy the region at your own pace... the locals do!

EARLY TRANSPORT INTO THE RED CENTRE

CAMELS

As early as 1850, Afghan Cameleers played a vital part in opening up Central Australia, where the climate was too harsh for horses to make a real impact. All supplies bought into the region were thanks to these dedicated people and their versatile camels.

TRAINS

In 1891, the original narrow gauge Ghan line had reached Oodnadatta in South Australia. Following the same track as the Overland Telegraph, this is the route taken during the 1862 crossing of Australia by John McDouall Stuart. A standard gauge line was replaced, starting from Port Augusta in 1957. A wholly standard gauge railway line was replaced in 1980, using a new route up to 200kms to the west.

ROAD

Again, explorer John McDouall Stuart's route influenced the planning of the road north from Port Augusta. In the 1920's the road saw its first motor vehicles. While not impassable, sections were sandy, boggy, had rugged boulders; there were also wash outs at the several creek and river crossings. By mid 1942, works were commenced to build and reseal the North-South road, and it was named Stuart Highway.

AIR

The first flight landed at the original airport in Alice Springs in 1921. In 1940, due to the military presence, the Seven Mile Aerodrome was built, officially becoming Alice Springs Airport in 1958. The Town Site Aerodrome diminished from 1946 onwards, until it closed in 1968 and now the site of the Central Australian Aviation Museum.



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YEPERENYE

This scientifically based mural highlights the cycle of the Ayepe-arenye / Yeperenye Caterpillar. From egg to moth this colourful, detailed collaborative artwork, was part of the Street Art Festival in 2018.

YEPERENYE MOTH SHADE SCULPTURE The cut-out motifs of the decorated and coloured shade canopies through the mall throw distinctive moth wing patterns, reiterating the significance of the caterpillar/hawk-moth creation story to the Arnernte people of Mparntwe/Alice Springs.

YEPERENYE MOTH LIGHT POLES Steel moth motifs which flutter around the street lamp are another link to the caterpillar creation story, important to the Arnernte people of Mparntwe/Alice Springs. This artwork was commissioned by Alice Springs Town Council and completed by local artist Pip McManus in 2013.





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- ▶ Two eyelids have lashes and the third eyelid comes from the corner of the eye to help like a 'windshield wiper'
- ▶ Protected by a double row of long curly eyelashes to reduce sand and dust to their eyes
- ▶ Thick bushy eyebrows shield the eyes from the desert sun



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BILBIES don't hop. They gallop like a horse when they need some speed.

FROGS crush food with their eyes! They swallow food whole, with their eyes shut. The eyes don't just bulge out of its head, but also poke down into their mouth. So, to crush their food, they push their eyes down several times and then swallow!

MALA means shaggy dancing hare. When startled, they do a zig zag erratic hop from side to side with their legs forced outward and to the side. Mala grow to 35cm high and weigh between one to 2kg. Females are slightly larger than males. Once widespread and common in the sand country of the Northern Territory, South Australia and Western Australia, but are now extinct in the wild. Why? Predation from feral cats and foxes, land clearing and the reduction of traditional Aboriginal burning practices.



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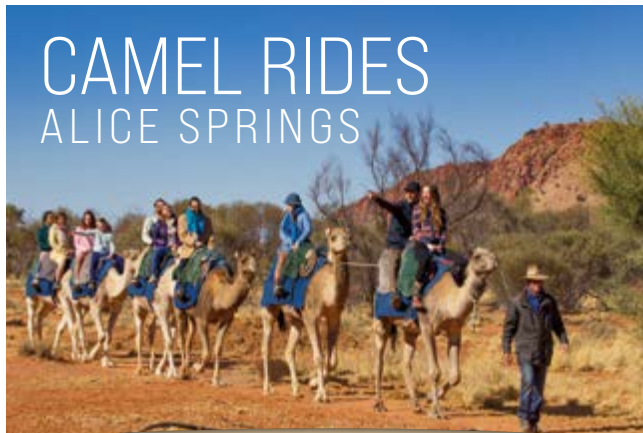


Spencers Burrowing Frog



Mala

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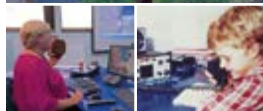
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Alice Springs School of the Air Visitor Centre
Visit our website for opening times - Entry fee apply



☎ 08 8951 6834
🌐 schooloftheair.net.au
📍 80 Head St, Alice Springs
✉ visitorcentre@assoa.nt.edu.au



Open 11am-3pm weekdays, other times by appointment - Check the website for up-to-date times. Entry fee applies

2 Stuart Terrace, Alice Springs operations@wmoa.com.au
www.wmoa.com.au Check website for open hours **(08) 8952 9006**
(formerly National Pioneer Women's Hall of Fame)

Please check our website and Facebook page for daily updates.



NATIONAL ROAD TRANSPORT HALL OF FAME & THE OLD GHAN MUSEUM

Take a nostalgic trip into Australia's - and the world's - transport history at the National Road Transport icon. Become engrossed in, and perhaps relive your own, transport experiences surrounded by a unique collection of workhorses from yesteryear. The Kenworth Dealer Hall of Fame comprises around 11,000 sq ft of display space devoted to the history of the Australian designed and built Kenworth in air conditioned comfort.



THE OLD GHAN HERITAGE RAILWAY TODAY

The original narrow gauge (3ft 6ins) railway is closed, and most of the original track has been removed. The avenue leading into MacDonnell Siding is named after Norris G Bell, a Scotsman in charge of construction of the Trans-Australian Railway, later to become the Commonwealth Railways first Commissioner. The Old Ghan Heritage Railway is located at MacDonnell Siding where there is a 1930s-style railway station built from the plans originally intended for Stuart (Alice Springs). The display area includes the station, museum, souvenir shop, tea rooms and restored locomotives and carriages. Check if the Mini Ghan is running to delight both young and old!



National Road Transport Hall of Fame

Historical trucks & vehicles
Kenworth Dealer Hall of Fame Pavilion
Shell Rimula "Wall of Fame"

Old Ghan Museum

Discover the Old Ghan Railway history
Take a Mini Ghan Ride *(when available)
Cafe is open seasonally - check website

92 Norris Borris Bell Dr, Alice Springs NT P: 08 8952 7161
OPEN: Mon to Sun 9.00am - 5.00pm Changes seasonally so check website
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**ALICE SPRINGS... INSPIRING, NOSTALGIC,
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ROYAL FLYING DOCTOR SERVICE

See, experience and learn through the wonder of technology, the heroic tales of the birth and growth of the **ROYAL FLYING DOCTOR SERVICE**. Learn about the history and the activities of the RFDS's pilots, engineers, doctors and nurses, and hear about the experiences of the patients that are carried and cared for each day. Discover the importance of the amazing service the RFDS has offered outback and isolated parts of Australia since 1928.

The Rev. John Flynn Hologram is a pioneering holographic show that is the highlight of this facility and tells the story of his vision and its realisation into the RFDS of today. Children can learn through interactive digital drawing and games, and you can step inside a replica of a RFDS aircraft.



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Adult	\$19.00
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Student	\$14.00
Senior	\$14.00
FAMILY (2A + 3C)	\$56.00

See our website for current opening hours.
Closed Sunday, Good Friday, Christmas Day, Boxing Day & New Years Day

ALICE SPRINGS REPTILE CENTRE

On the edge of the CBD, just below Billy Goat Hill, the Reptile Centre is a 'must see' attraction, housing the region's largest reptile collection. More than 100 reptiles of over fifty different species are exhibited indoors and outside in naturally landscaped surrounds. View Thorny Devils, Frill-neck Lizards, large pythons, the world's most venomous snakes, Terry the Saltwater Crocodile and more. Your first place to start your visit is the Gecko Cave, naturally styled enclosures that are amazing mini habitats and house numerous gecko species from Alice Springs region, Barkly and Top End regions.

* Daily demonstrations at 11am, 1pm and 3:30pm allow you to meet and learn about some of the 'locals' in a safe and fun learning environment.

* Open daily 9.30am to 5pm.

SLIPPERY SNAKE STATISTICS

- Snakes don't have eyelids.
- Snakes can't bite food so have to swallow it whole.
- Snakes have flexible jaws which allow them to eat prey bigger than their head!
- Snakes have internal ears but not external ones.

***COVID UPDATE:** Opening times and show times subject to change. Please check our website for up-to-date times prior to visiting.

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Alice Springs Reptile Centre



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Daily Talks 11am*, 1pm* & 3.30pm*

REV. JOHN FLYNN'S MEMORIAL RESERVE

is located at the foot of the MacDonnell Ranges, 7kms west of Alice Springs and is the resting place of the ashes of the founder of the RFDS and the Australian Inland Mission.





MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAILS (MBT)

From simple trails to mountain bike madness - there's a path forward for everyone!



Alice Springs has a well-kept secret since before the 1980's and now it is time to share. The local area has the best collection of Mountain Bike Trails (MBT) and single tracks at your doorstep. You don't need to hire a car to get to a trail, just ride from the hotel or caravan park and enjoy. The trails range from sandy creek beds, rocky outcrops, to fast single track and highly technical rides.

Forming part of a large network across the Red Centre, the Eastern & Western Trails are shared use and mountain bike trails, across ancient landscape. Enjoy the beautiful red/orange sunsets and the blue/purple sunrises out with the flora and fauna of the outback.

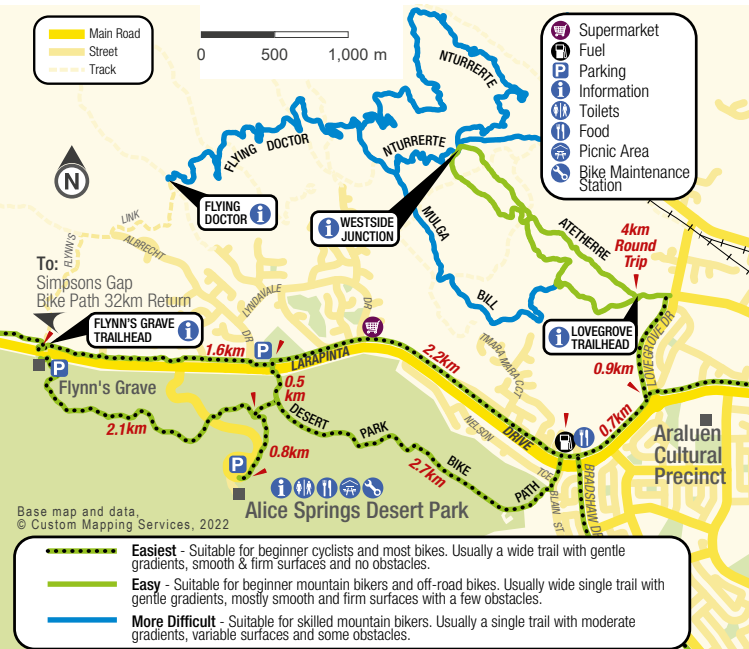
The Alice Springs Desert Park Bicycle and Pedestrian Path is an easy track winding through several habitats. From Blain St through to John Flynn's Grave Historical Reserve you will discover Ironwoods, Acacia estrophiolata, Corkwoods including Hakea divaricata and Hakea lorea on alluvial flats. Desert Bloodwood trees, Corymbia opaca, can also be found along the journey.

The famous Simpson Gap Bike Path, which is paved some 17km long from Flynn's Grave to Simpson Gap, leaving you with breathtaking views along the way. If you time your visit with the lunar cycle, biking with a full moon in the sky will make the ride from Simpson's Gap back to Alice Springs one of the most magical experiences you will ever have.

The Telegraph Station Trailhead has marked trails for the beginners to the advanced.

PLEASE NOTE: The Larapinta Trail is a walking trail only - with a 3 km exception, between The Telegraph Station and the Railway Line that is shared with mountain bikes. Comply with all signs, noting if trails are one or two-way, shared use, walkers only or riders only.

MY RIDE ALICE SPRINGS Formerly, The Penny Farthing Bike Shop, My Ride know how much fun riding in the Centre really is. Supplying the Red Centre since 1975, with bikes and accessories they offer servicing for all models of bicycles. Call them now to book your bike to adventure and make it a memorable ride!



TRAILS - For more details see Alice Springs Town Map & Bike Trails Map (above)

The Alice Springs township has many bike paths to commute, keeping out of traffic on the outer CBD or meander along the Todd River, enjoying the dusty banks and gum trees.



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ALICE SPRINGS EVENTS

Keep up to date with times/dates & venues that may change at short notice by linking onto the websites of each event.

You can see any daily changes on our www.exploretheredcentre.com.au Events tab

Red CentreNATS

MARCH 2022

fabALICE Festival
10 - 13 March
www.fabalice.com

APRIL 2022

Aileron Bush Weekend
15 - 18 April 2022
Or Easter 2022

Parrtjima - A Festival in Light
8 - 17 April
parrtjimaaustralia.com.au

Alice Springs Cup Carnival
9 April - 1 May
alicespringsturfclub.org.au

Easter in the Alice Mountain Bike Stage Race
15 - 18 April 2022
easterinthealice.com

Alice Springs Heritage Festival
nationaltrust.org.au/ahf/nt

Run Larapinta 2021
(rescheduled event)
22 - 25 April
runlarapinta.rapidascend.com.au

MAY 2022

AMRF Larapinta Challenge
6 - 12 May
melanomaresearch.com.au

Big Day Out in Harmony
alicesprings.nt.gov.au

West Macs Monster Trail Running Festival
20 - 22 May
westmacsmonster.com.au

Alice's Longest Luncheon
21 May
hamiltontownyouthcamp.com

Dark Skies Festival
25 - 29 May
earth-sanctuary.com.au

Uluru Camel Cup
27 - 28 May
ulurucamelracingclub.com

JUNE 2022

Tatts Finke Desert Race
10 - 13 June
finkedesertrace.com.au



Tatts Finke Desert Race



Bush Bands Bash

2022 Kinchrome SXS Motorsport Australia Championship Round #3
10 - 13 June
sxs-racing.com

Alice Springs Beanie Festival
24 - 27 June
beaniefest.org

JULY 2022

Territory Day Celebrations
1 July
territoryday.nt.gov.au



Territory Day Celebrations

The Alice Springs Show
1 - 2 July
alice-springs.com.au

Apmere Mparntwe: The Australian Ceramic Triennale
19 - 23 July
australianceramictriennale.com.au

Red Dirt Poetry Festival
28 - 31 July
www.reddirtpoetryfestival.com

Australian Outback Marathon
28 July - 2 August
australianoutbackmarathon.com

Harts Range Bush Sports Weekend
29 July - 1 August
www.hartsrangeraces.org.au

AUGUST 2022

Run Larapinta 2022
12 - 15 August
runlarapinta.rapidascend.com.au

Desert Smart Eco Fair
alec.org.au

Rotary Henley On Todd Regatta
20 August
henleyontodd.com.au



Rotary Henley on Todd Regatta

SEPTEMBER 2022

Red CentreNATS
2 - 4 September
www.redcentrenats.com.au

Red Centre Bird Festival
2 - 5 September
alicespringsdesertpark.com.au

Desert Mob Festival
9 September - 15 October
araluenartscentre.nt.gov.au

Desert Song Festival
9 - 18 September
www.desertsong.com.au

Alice Desert Festival
22 September - 2 October
desfest.com

Bush Bands Bash
musicnt.com.au/program/bush-bands

DECEMBER 2022

Council Christmas Carnival
9 December
alicesprings.nt.gov.au



Alice Desert Festival





ACCOMMODATION

From 5 star luxury offering modern well-appointed comforts, to a sky full of stars to admire while camping in a swag, there is the right option for everyone to enjoy and make your stay one to remember. Unpack and make the most of your stay in the heart of The Centre.

ALICE'S SECRET TRAVELLERS INN

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Desert Palms
Alice Springs

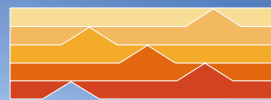
- Comfortable air conditioned studio villa accommodation with kitchenettes and private verandahs
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Alice Village offers short to medium term accommodation options in Alice Springs with views of the ranges. With 1, 2 and 3 bedroom units or single accommodation rooms Alice Village can cater to any accommodation requirements.

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THE DIPLOMAT MOTEL Superbly located in the centre of Alice Springs, the Diplomat Motel is the perfect place to stay, relax and unwind. The motel offers a selection of affordable Alice Springs accommodation, with tea/coffee, free Wifi and Foxtel. Enjoy the outdoor swimming pool, free parking and the popular Uncles Tavern. Located only moments from the heart of the Todd Mall, the Diplomat Motel is close to shops, restaurants, cafes and many of the local attractions Alice Springs has to offer. After a busy day of sightseeing, touring or business meetings relax by the pool or enjoy a casual meal and ice cold beer in the fully licensed Uncle's Tavern.



Stumps
Café

Uncles
Tavern

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www.diplomatmotel.com.au | reservations@diplomatmotel.com.au



CAMPING & CARAVAN ETIQUETTE

NOISE - Keep your music and noise to a level that is polite for your space only. If you are in a family park, which most are, children will always be children. Be tolerant.

PETS - Just because you love your pet, others may not. Always have your animals on a lead, fenced in, or appropriately caged. Always pick up waste after your animal.

WATER - Check with each park if there is a fee for filling tanks due to drought. Some places are grateful for your grey water on the ground, others not so. Check first.

AMENITIES - Never empty your toilet cassette in the abluition block of any public toilet. Always clean up after yourself in shared bathrooms. Think of others.

SPEED LIMITS - Stick to the speed limit. You are on holidays. Slow down.

MIND YOUR SPACE - Don't cut through other people's sites, especially under their awnings, just to save a few steps. Be neighbourly.

RUBBISH - Dispose of your rubbish in bins provided. Otherwise dispose of it at your next opportunity.

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History Walks

Guide yourself through a town rich in history and discover the stories of the past. Remember to wear a hat & sunscreen and carry your water bottle, or stop and enjoy a coffee at a local cafe along the way.

Use the Central Business District (CBD) Map foldout (see over) for your self-guided historical tour.

- 1 HARTLEY STREET SCHOOL** First government school opened 1930, extensions in 1940 and 1946. Used as government offices 1966 until 1980. Octagonal room is open as an education museum. **Open 10.30am - 2.30pm Monday - Friday**
- 2 ADELAIDE HOUSE & THE REV. JOHN FLYNN MEMORIAL CHURCH** First hospital designed by Rev. John Flynn opened in 1926. Church built as memorial to John Flynn opened in 1956. **Check for open times**
- 3 PIONEER YHA HOSTEL** is former walk-in picture theatre. Built by 'Snow' Kenna in 1942, closed as theatre in 1984. Last known example of old movie theatre in NT and prime example of adaptive re-use for business.
- 4 WILLS TERRACE FOOTBRIDGE** was completed in 1957 bringing an end to isolation of Eastside suburb whenever the Todd River flowed. Intended as a temporary structure but continues in use today. **Open to public 24hrs**
- 5 WILKINSON MEMORIAL** unveiled in 1934 to honor George Wilkinson who operated a general store on opposite site across road. Held in high regard by many people he helped in early settlement times. **Open to public 24hrs**
- 6 TOTEM THEATRE** is housed in the Sidney Williams Huts that are the last remnants of an Australian Army camp during WW2. The buildings were converted into a small theatre in 1964, now maintained by Alice Springs Town Council.
- 7 SITE OF MYRTLE VILLA** is marked by a tall date palm first planted in a garden at the front of a timber slab house early last century, which was the home of Ida Standley, the first school teacher. **Open to public 24hrs**
- 8 CATHOLIC CHURCH PRECINCT** comprises four historic buildings, including the first Catholic Church opened in 1930. Also includes the Marist Brothers house, convent and a former boarding house. **Not open to the public**
- 9 ANZAC MEMORIAL** was designed by Rev Harry Griffiths and unveiled on Anzac Day, 1934. Originally a memorial for the fallen of WW1, it now represents Australian servicemen and women of all conflicts. **Open to public 24hrs**
- 10 CENTRAL AUSTRALIAN PIONEERS MEMORIAL** was unveiled in 1957 as a memorial for all Central Australian pioneers, including explorers, overland telegraph line workers and pastoralists. **Open to public 24hrs**
- 11 RAILWAY HOUSES** Three were built in the late 1920s, prior to the arrival of the Central Australian Railway in 1929. More houses were built during WW2, of which two survive. **Not open to the public**
- 12 OLD POST OFFICE** Opened in 1932 after being moved from the Alice Springs Telegraph Station. The post office led to the name of Alice Springs replacing the original name of Stuart for the town. **Not open to the public**

- 13 FORMER POSTMASTERS RESIDENCE** Built for the town's postmaster in 1932, when the post office was built. It remained a residence until 1980. It was restored in 1988 and is now a business property. **Not open to the public**
- 14 STUART TOWN GAOL** Built in 1908, now the oldest building in Alice Springs. Built from local materials, the gaol was in service until 1939, and saved from demolition in the 1970s. **Open by arrangement with National Trust**
- 15 OLD COURT HOUSE** was built in 1928. It was used for administrative offices but from 1936 served as a court house until 1980. Was used as a museum from 1990 until 2007 but now used as offices. **Not open to the public**
- 16 THE RESIDENCY** was built in 1927 as the home of the Government Resident of the Territory of Central Australia until 1931. It was the home of the Centre's senior public servants until 1973. **Open 10am - 3pm, March - Nov**
- 17 LIZZIE MILNES WELL** was dug in the 1930s, a reminder of early settled life in town before WW2. They were a necessity before reticulated water existed. This well is believed to be the last surviving example in town.
- 18 TUNCKS STORE** is the last remaining corner store, built in 1939 to cater for new residences in the Alice Springs Heritage Precinct. Ralph Tuncks owned the store from 1950 until retiring in 1979. **Not open to the public**
- 19 86 HARTLEY STREET** One of the houses designed by architect Beni Burnett. This house was built in 1939 and is largely unmodified. It is in the Heritage Precinct and is now a private residence. **Not open to the public**
- 20 LES HANSEN HOUSE** Built in 1942 for the Dept of Civil Aviation. Handed over to the NT Housing Commission in 1978, later transferred to the National Trust and is a part of the Heritage Precinct. **Not open to the public**
- 21 OLD ALICE SPRINGS GAOL** Opened in 1939 and operated until 1996. Much of the original complex remains. It is now the home of the Women's Museum of Australia. **Open 10am - 5pm, Feb - Dec 25**
- 22 ROYAL FLYING DOCTOR SERVICE** was opened in 1939, with another building constructed in 1949. It accommodated the School of the Air for several years and part of the Heritage Precinct. **Open 9am - 5pm Mon to Sat**
- 23 STUART MEMORIAL** was unveiled in 1939 by Governor-General, Lord Gowrie. It is the main feature of Stuart Park which is included in the Alice Springs Heritage Precinct. **Open to the public 24hrs**
- 24 FORMER CWA BUILDING** Built during WW2 as a women's recreation facility, used as club rooms for the CWA 1946 to 1978. Now the business premise of Monte's Lounge. **Open 2pm - 2am, Wed - Sunday**

National Trust of Australia (NT)
McDouall Stuart Branch Alice Springs

The Hartley Street School, Alice Springs
P 08 8952 4516 E mcds.ntnt@internode.on.net www.nationaltrust.org.au/nt/



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14 DAY ALICE SPRINGS ITINERARY

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- ▶ History Walks - see p56-57
- ▶ Dining options

DAY 2

- ▶ Alice Springs Desert Park
- ▶ Pyndan Camel Tracks Sunset Tour

DAY 3

- ▶ Breakfast @ Olive Pink Botanical Gardens
- ▶ Araluen Cultural Precinct
- ▶ Museum of Central Australia

DAY 4

West MacDonnell Ranges

- ▶ Day trip or overnight stay
- ▶ Simpson Gap
- ▶ Standley Chasm
- ▶ Ellery Big Hole
- ▶ Ochre Pits
- ▶ Ormiston Gorge
- ▶ Glen Helen Gorge & Lodge
- ▶ Tnorala/Gosse's Bluff
- ▶ Hermannsburg Historic Precinct

Back to Alice Springs

- ▶ 9 Holes of Golf
- ▶ Tjanpi Desert Weavers
- ▶ Megafauna Central

DAY 5

- ▶ AS School of the Air Visitor Centre
- ▶ AS Reptile Centre
- ▶ Women's Museum of Australia and Old Gaoi
- ▶ National Road Transport Hall of Fame & Old Ghan Museum

DAY 7

- ▶ East MacDonnell Ranges
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- ▶ Corroboree Rock
- ▶ Arltunga Historic Reserve
- ▶ Gemtree

DAY 8

Day trip South

- ▶ Rainbow Valley
- ▶ Ewaninga Historic Reserve
- ▶ Lambert Centre
- ▶ Stuarts Well Roadhouse

DAY 9

- ▶ Easy Day Late brunch
- ▶ Shopping /Souvenirs
- ▶ Dining options
- ▶ Poolside relax

DAY 10

- ▶ Family Day Walking or Bike Trails
- ▶ Crafts & homemade souvenirs
- ▶ Anzac Hill Lookout

DAY 11

North to Aileron

- ▶ Tropic of Capricorn
- ▶ Connors Well
- ▶ Native Gap
- ▶ To Aileron

DAY 12

South

- ▶ Owen Springs Reserve
- ▶ Henbury Meteorites
- ▶ Stuarts Well Roadhouse ... Lunch or Stay

DAY 13

Red Centre Way map p64-65

- ▶ Hermannsburg Historic Precinct
- ▶ Palm Valley

DAY 14

South East, see map p29

- ▶ Chambers Pillar overnight camping

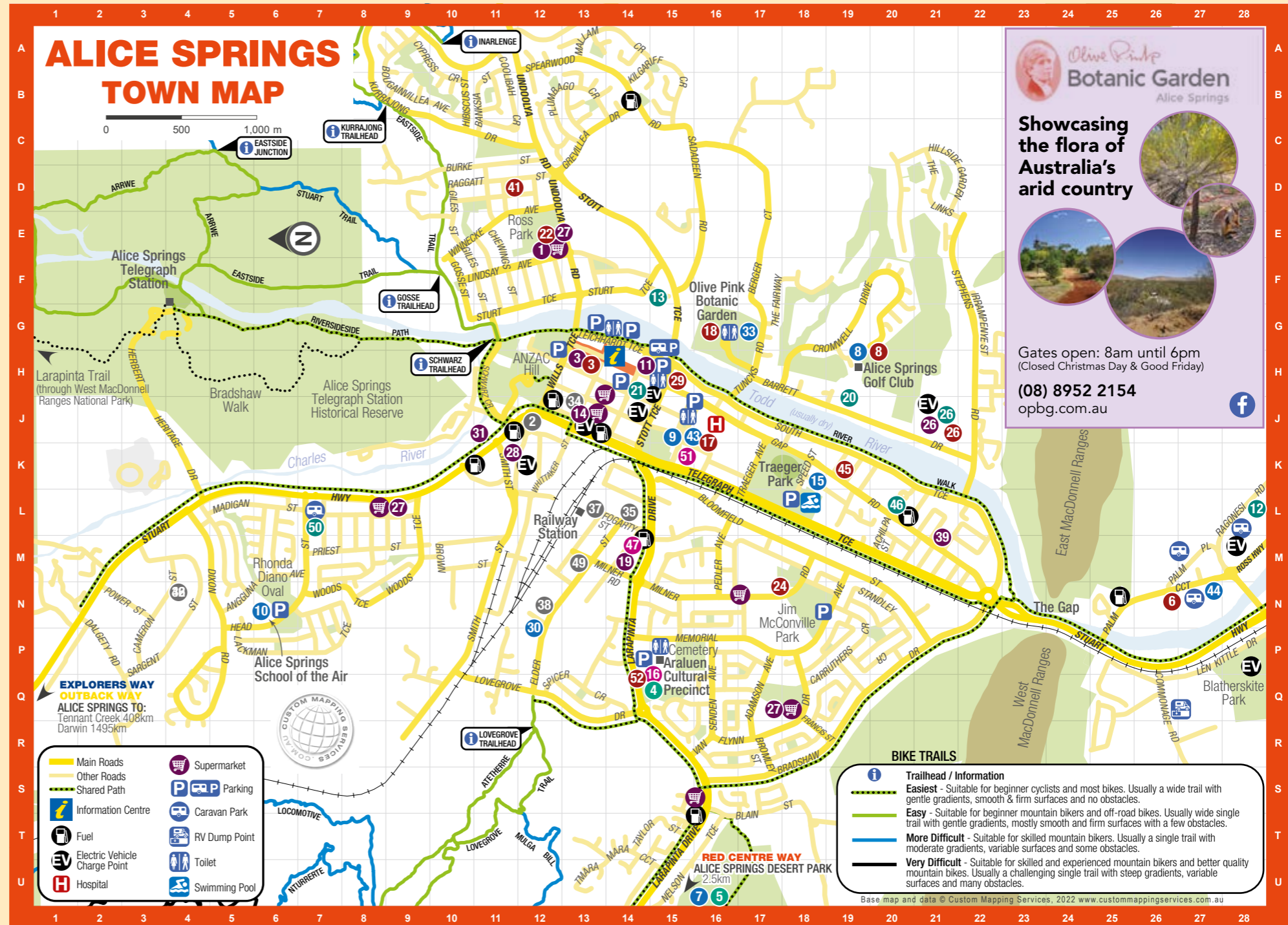
North East, see map p104-105

- ▶ East MacDonnell Ranges
- ▶ Gemtree

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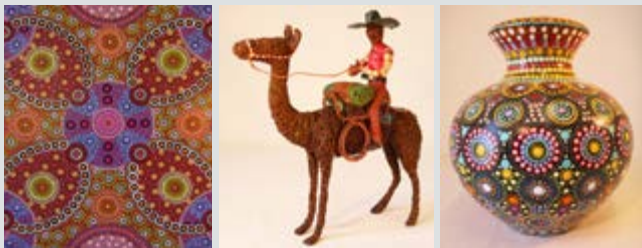
Diverse is an understatement when describing Central Australian Art. From using local grasses to form contemporary styles of art, including baskets, paper and sculptures; to pottery and dot art, there is a unique piece to purchase or simply admire the statement they share. Explore the Art Trail in Central Australia... this is just a start!



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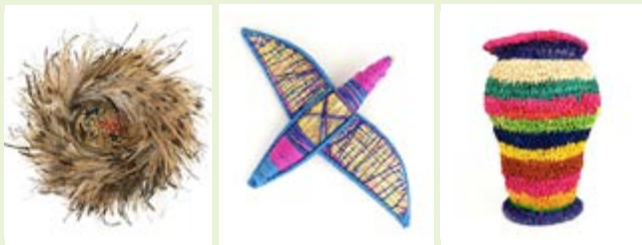


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Plant food - from wild orange, wild passionfruit, wild fig, bush tomato, conkerberry, bush banana, quandong, bush plums and sultanas.

Edible seeds - the wattle seed, a staple food; the seeds can be ground into a paste or made into wattleseed damper. Other local seeds used traditionally are mulga, dogwood and desert kurrajong.

Grubs and insects - the witchetty grub is a favourite eaten raw or roasted on hot coals! Cicadas, caterpillars and some other grubs found under the bark of river red gums, coolibah, ironwood and prickly wattle.

Water - the search for water in dry desert conditions was essential for survival; Water is found in soakages, tree roots and hollows and the very scarce permanent waterholes, the area around Mbarntwe has permanent waterholes in the ranges both east and west of the town; there are also rare springs where water seeps from rockfaces in the when the rivers are totally dry.

Bush tomato - A staple food for local people which has been eaten for many thousands of years. Dried it looks like a raisin, and can be stored for extended periods, is plentiful and popular and is high in vitamin C and potassium.

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The car industry is rapidly changing, and Electric Vehicles have come a long way over the years, allowing you to go even further on one charge. New upgrades to batteries, charging equipment and the growing network of high-speed EV chargers, ensures that long distance travel is possible and cost effective.

Many outback travelers are now turning to Electric Vehicles and although they currently can cost more to purchase, with more interest and buyers understanding the long-term lower running costs and environmental benefits, the more the purchase costs are coming down.

If you are long distance travelling simply plan ahead and check out the many available charging points along your way. Charge up while you enjoy a relaxed lunch, take a walk to stretch your legs or enjoy some local attractions while you wait. Fees to charge vary from each outlet and a 2 day travel from Alice Springs to Adelaide can cost as little as \$70 to recharge! Services on your motor will be thing of the past so cost saving all the way.

It is expected that EV's in Australia will become more common place just like Europe and America as education, costs and services are given a more even playing field in the auto market. It will only be a matter of time before mainstream car brands are mass-producing electric 4WD vehicles.

DID YOU KNOW?

EVs are more efficient than petrol vehicles. Up to 80 percent of the battery energy powers the vehicle, compared to 14% to 26% of the energy from a petrol-powered car.

In the last few years with new battery technology, the range of EVs is now equivalent with their internal combustion counterparts.

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ULURU KATA TJUTA NP

Ayers Rock Resort
Yulura Workshop

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Midland Caravan Park - Elliott
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THE MACDONNELL RANGES

These ancient rugged ranges showcase some of the most spectacular landscapes you will never forget.

Ormiston Pound



2Mile, West MacDonnell Ranges

Parks & Wildlife are making changes in March 2022 and introducing an online booking system. Keep up to date - depws.nt.gov.au/parks-changes



These parks are known worldwide for their natural beauty, their remoteness and for being accessible. You can see a huge variety of native plants, birds, reptiles and other animals.

Some parks you can swim, many you can camp, others you traverse through with landscapes that are rugged and stunning.

With free programmes like Parks Alive you are enriched further with the informative guided walks and talks by a park Ranger. Fact Sheets for all parks are available offering everything you need to know about each park, camping facilities, access and highlights, to make your time exploring the region complete.

www.nt.gov.au/parks

BEAT THE HEAT
Stay Cool, Stay Hydrated, Stay Alive!

Even if you are an experienced walker, you must take precautions when visiting our parks. Walking in hot weather can result in heat exhaustion which may progress to a potentially fatal heatstroke.

If you feel unwell - stop, rest in the shade and drink water.

- ALWAYS** CARRY AND DRINK WATER
- APPLY** SUNSCREEN 50+
- WALK** EARLY OR LATE IN THE DAY
- EAT** KEEP UP YOUR ENERGY LEVELS
- PLAN** YOUR ROUTE. STAY ON THE PATH & FOLLOW THE SIGNS
- WEAR** PROTECTIVE CLOTHING

www.nt.gov.au/beattheheat

THE MACDONNELL RANGES spine stretches 644 km (400 miles) with parallel ridges running from east and west of Alice Springs. Consisting of the 5 highest mountains in the Northern Territory, the highest is Mount Zeil, with an elevation of 1,531 metres (5,023 ft) and formed over 300-350 million years ago. The range is most famous for the red quartz; but also granite, limestone, sandstone and siltstone.

Fossil evidence of marine reptiles has been found, showing the signs of an inland sea from 110 million years ago. While many reptiles died out, fish and shellfish can be found today.



Telephone network coverage is limited so if you need to stay connected ensure you look at satellite phone options.

RESPECT THE PARK RULES

- ▶ Camp at designated sites only
- ▶ Take all of your rubbish when you go
- ▶ Leave your pets with friends at home
- ▶ Obey the 'no swimming' signs
- ▶ Collect your fire wood before entering National Park areas
- ▶ Light fires only in fireplaces provided
- ▶ Use gas BBQs during total fire bans
- ▶ Don't use soap or detergent in or near waterways
- ▶ Look (don't touch) at cultural items and wildlife
- ▶ Don't feed native animals
- ▶ Be prepared with cash as fees apply to some parks for camping

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If you may be driving through Aboriginal land while in the Red Centre a permit must be purchased.

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TJORITJA / WEST MACDONNELL NATIONAL PARK

RED CENTRE WAY



Ormiston Gorge



Ellery Creek Big Hole

Stretching 160 kms west of Alice Springs, **TJORITJA / WEST MACDONNELL NATIONAL PARK** offers ancient beauty and world-famous walking trails. Discover important refuges for plants and animals you won't find anywhere else and relics of tropical forest from a bygone era. Highlights are gorges with surprising waterholes, unexpected land formations and chasms to explore, swim or relax.

Uncover more than just the 'icons'. **THE RED CENTRE WAY** not only offers a journey of adventure, it allows you to pack in as much, or as little, as you like. Take a one way journey from Alice Springs to Uluru or vice versa, via tour bus/guide, self drive or hire vehicle. Explore further with a 'loop' on the Mereenie Road if you have a 4WD, or enjoy a day trip from Alice Springs to parts of this adventure drive.



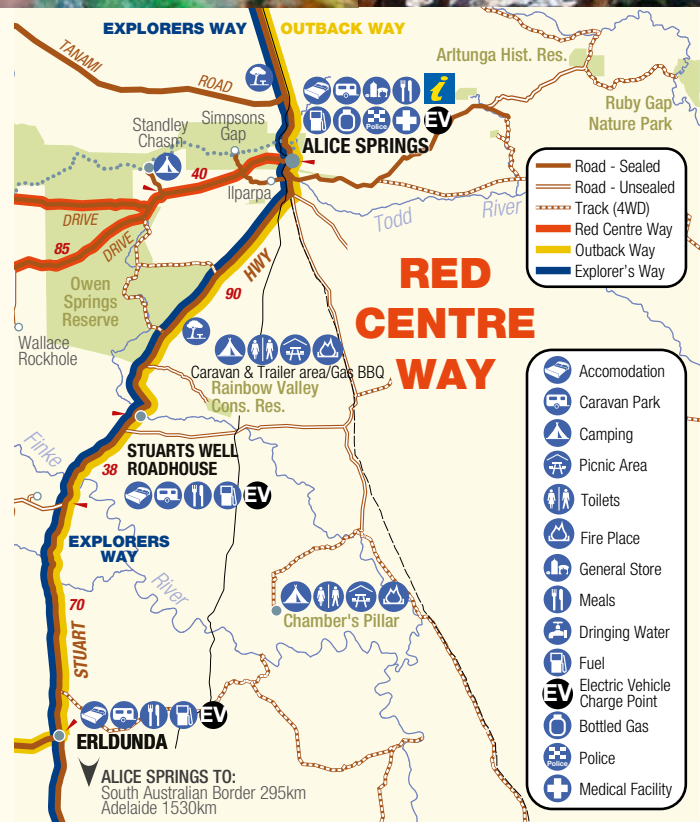
Permits for access through Aboriginal Lands are required if you are traveling through the Mereenie Loop, The Red Centre Way. See: Alice Springs Visitor Information Centre, Hermannsburg Service Station, Kings Canyon Resort. A small fee applies.



Simpsions Gap



Standley Chasm





Ochre Pit

ALL DISTANCES ARE FROM ALICE SPRINGS
🌿 CAMPING FEES APPLY
📍 ENTRY FEES APPLY



Ormiston Gorge Lookout

RED CENTRE WAY

ALICE SPRINGS DESERT PARK - 8 km 📍

A visit to Alice Springs Desert Park, with the knowledge gained from this world-famous facility, will truly enhance your experience throughout your time in the Red Centre.

SIMPSON GAP - 24 km

Drive the sealed road, or cycle along The Simpson Gap Bike Path, to this small region with over 40 rare and relic plants. Watch out for the Black-Footed Rock wallabies, especially at dawn and dusk. Larapinta Trail sections one or two.

STANDLEY CHASM/ANGKERLE ATWATYE - 55 km 🌿📍

This important cultural site offers a walk with well-formed paths, seating and interpretive signage along your way and leading to a chasm rich in colour, at any time of day. Angkerle Atwatye - 'the gap of water' is a photographer's delight with significant geological, botanical and birdlife features to get in frame.

ELLERY CREEK BIG HOLE - 90 km 🌿

With outstanding geological highlights, walking trails or a rest on 'the beach', it all has rewards. An access path leads you down to a permanent waterhole, a refreshing way to cool off in warmer months.



Mulla Mulla / Mt Sonder

SERPENTINE GORGE - 102 km 🌿

This narrow gap of Heavitree Quartz also offers an easy walk or short, but exhilarating, climb to a lookout above. Basic camping options are available to 2WD with another 4WD track to Serpentine Chalet Dam. Not recommended for Caravans, Buses or Motorhomes. Trail Head for sections 7 & 8 of the Larapinta Trail.

OCHRE PITTS - 112 km

This has been a sacred area to Western Arrernte culture for thousands of years. Walk along the access path where, from a viewing area, the colours range from gold to crimson with defined lines between. This is considered some of the best ochre with a silky touch, vivid colour and slight sheen. Please do not touch or remove any ochre.

ORMISTON GORGE - 131 km 🌿

A stunning place with a waterhole, caravan & camping sites, visitor interpretive centre and kiosk. Confirmed as an important fauna refuge when, in 1997, the Long Tailed Dunart and Central Rock Rat were rediscovered in the region. Explore a variety of walking trails and many animals, reptiles and birds that inhabit. Even your smart phone can't help but take some amazing images. Trail Head for sections 9+10 of the Larapinta Trail.

1+ DAY - JUST ONE OF MANY OPTIONS

This can be a great stopover if you are going through to the Mereenie Loop Rd, to Kings Canyon, all part of The Red Centre Way. Ormiston Gorge to Watarrka/Kings Canyon 220 km - Majority of this road is 4WD high clearance. Caravans are not recommended.

GLEN HELEN GORGE - 133 km

An oasis after a long day's travel with refreshing swims on offer. A range of walks and drives near the Gorge, take you to lookouts with views towards Mt Sonder or 2 Mile and a 4x4 camping site, along the mighty Finke River.

REDBANK GORGE - 156 km 🌿

The last 5 km of gravel road is an easy start to a 20 min walk along the rocky and sandy riverbank to reach the gorge. The water is very cold due to the high rock walls towering above, so a floatation device is recommended.

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Palm Valley

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RED CENTRE WAY

TYLERS PASS - 177 km

A must stop lookout to admire the 360 degree views including Tnorala / Gosse Bluff. Another photo you just have to share!

TNORALA / GOSSE BLUFF CONSERVATION RESERVE - 177 km

Day access only to 4WD vehicles for the last 10kms. This huge crater was formed by a comet over 130 million years ago. This is a culturally significant site for the Western Arrernte people. Tnorala, according to local belief, was formed in the creation time when a group of women danced across the Milky Way, and a baby in a wooden basket fell to earth and made the circular range. The baby's parents, the evening and morning stars, are said to still be searching for their baby.

When you reach the intersection of Larapinta Drive and Namatjira Drive you can either turn left on the sealed road to Ntaria Hermannsburg 70kms / Palm Valley / Alice Springs 196 km or turn right to Watarrka / Kings Canyon 190 km via the Mereenie Loop Rd, The Red Centre Way.

PLEASE NOTE:

The Mereenie Loop Road is a 4WD high clearance vehicle dirt road. Caravans are not recommended.

Check current road conditions on 1800 246 199.

NTARIA / HERMANSBURG - 247 km

(Direct from Alice Springs 127 km on Larapinta Drive) is home to the late Albert Namatjira, famous for his watercolours of the region, and the Historic Precinct which recently had major renovations. (See page 100).

1+ DAY - PALM VALLEY

Accessed either before or after your visit to Hermannsburg, 18 km away by high clearance 4WD only. Tours are available if your vehicle is not suitable.

Inside the **Finke Gorge National Park** follow one of the oldest waterways in the world that has carved its way for more than 100 million years, through the James Ranges. The towering Red Cabbage Palms, Central Australia's only native palms, reminders of Jurassic times. The views from the look outs in the Park at sunset, light up the chocolate coloured sandstone ranges, constantly changing to assorted shades of ochre. Mornings can be fresh and quiet and a wonderful way to start your day.

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ALBERT NAMATJIRA

Born in 1902 as Elea Namatjira, this Western Arrernte speaking man became the most famous Indigenous Australian of his generation and showed a keen interest in painting in his early years.

Namatjira met a well known local artist Rex Battarbee and at the age of 32 began being tutored by Rex. Namatjira then began to paint seriously in a style more Western art influenced, using water colour paintings of the outback and a great contrast to the symbols and abstract designs of more traditional art forms.

As the first Aboriginal to be exhibited commercially and internationally, Albert's work became widely acclaimed. Artists in Hermannsburg continue to paint with watercolours in Albert Namatjira's style.





Watarrka / Kings Canyon



Larapinta Trail – Section 4 marker

RED CENTRE WAY

1+ DAY – PALM VALLEY TO WATARRKA / KINGS CANYON – 220 km

Check with Parks for park access facts sheets, all you need for safe, informative and enriched touring. www.nt.gov.au/parks

1+ DAY – WATARRKA / KINGS CANYON

An early start will offer you a head start, to explore the stunning beauty of the Watarrka National Park with walks that offer amazing colours. Walks to suit those who like to stroll, or a 3 hour hike across sandstone walls 100m high, this is yet another wonderful photographic delight. (See page 27)

1+ DAY – WATARRKA / KINGS CANYON TO ULURU NATIONAL PARK – 300 km ☼

Following the Luritja Road to the Lasseter Highway, and don't be fooled by Mt Connor, often mistaken for Uluru. The view at the salt plains of Lake Amadeus are an unexpected treat. Curtin Springs is another well worth stop. (See page 16-26)

2+ DAYS – ULURU KATA TJUTA NATIONAL PARK ☼

You've made it! Make sure your first night you get to one of the viewing platforms throughout the resort town and witness a long awaited sunset on a rock that can change from brown to red to purple on any given dusk.

On your first day, a visit to the Cultural Centre at the base of Uluru is always the best place to start your experience of a lifetime. Enjoy walking paths around both Uluru & Kata Tjuta and so much more, see our complete section on the region. (See Page 18-26)



Kings Canyon Rim Walk, Watarrka National Park

THE LARAPINTA TRAIL

Marvel at the breathtaking views as you traverse over the spine of the MacDonnell Ranges, with 12 individual sections in varying grades, something to suit most fitness levels. This is an experience you will have that will always be an important part of your visit to Central Australia.

Ranked as one of the planet's top 20 treks, The Larapinta Trail links with other walking tracks, with the whole trail over 230km (143mi) long beginning at the Alice Springs Telegraph Station. The western end of the trail finishes at the highest point with Mount Sonder, a favourite subject of artist Albert Namatjira.

While all Trailheads have a water supply research on how much water to trek with daily for each section. Some have free gas barbecues, others you need to bring correct change for camping fees so ensure you are well prepared for your one or two day walks. You can enjoy magnificent night skies and camp under the stars along the way, arrange supplies to be dropped off to you, or you trek with all your own supplies.

Maps and Park information can be picked up from the Visitor Information Centre, or contact an experienced tour operator for further information.

<https://nt.gov.au/leisure/parks-reserves/plan-your-visit/bushwalking-hiking/larapinta-trail>



Mount Sonder

EAST MACDONNELL RANGES

Enjoy the pace of the East MacDonnell Ranges, The Binns Track, the adventure, the smaller crowds.

Corrobboree Rock

Never underestimate the beauty or cultural significance of the lesser known East MacDonnell Ranges, for your next adventure. These stunning rock formations, river beds, valleys and the rugged ranges that dominate your travels east, will glow a different colour and offer a different pace.

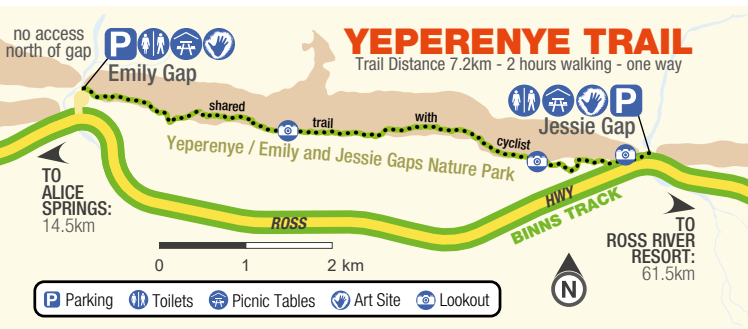
THE BINNS TRACK

The complete journey starts at the South Australia border and has you winding through remote national parks, amazing camping opportunities and fascinating outback towns. Covering a total track length of 2230kms, this is an adventure journey you will never forget. Named after Bill Binns, a dedicated NT Parks & Wildlife ranger for over 32 years, it was created to allow tourists to explore regions of the NT not often visited and offering 4WD adventure.



ALICE SPRINGS TO YEPERENYE EMILY GAP - 15 km

This is your first stop to walk amongst a sacred area to the local traditional people and offers large rock paintings and engravings depicting the caterpillar dreaming of Mparntwe (Alice Springs).



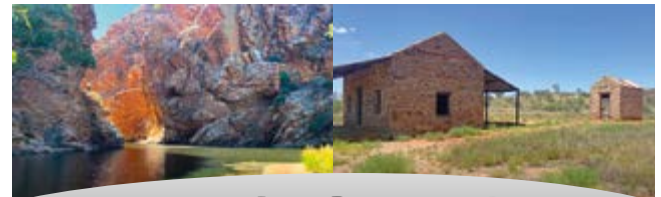
Emily Gap

JESSIE GAP TO CORROBBOREE ROCK - 26 km

Formed over 800 million years ago by salt lakes. This dolomite structure is a sacred men's site, important to the local Indigenous today.

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CORROBBOREE ROCK TO TREPHINA GORGE NATURE PARK - 30 km

Home of the largest ghost gum (*Corymbia aparrerinja*) in Australia, this park offers a variety of short and experienced walks. With birds and other wildlife frequent visitors, sheer quartzite cliffs and River Red Gum lined watercourses, this is a wonderful photo opportunity.

N'DALA GORGE NATURE PARK

Back on the Ross Highway, pass the Arltunga Rd 5 km and through Ross River Resort. Head through on the Ringwood Rd and into the park. Known as a cultural treasure, this park boasts 6,000 individual petroglyphs, or rock carvings. This is a must for any art lover! Accessible by 4WD vehicle only.

ROSS RIVER HOMESTEAD - 83 km from Alice Springs

Offering accommodation, camping, meals and more, this is a picturesque place to spend a day or more.

ARLTUNGA HISTORIC RESERVE

Turn off from Ross Highway (5 km after Trepghina Gorge T/O - 75 km from Alice Springs). Follow the gravel road 33 km to The Visitor Centre. Get all the information from the interpretive boards. This offers an insight to the history of the first settlement in Central Australia. With a 'rush on' for what was first thought were rubies, garnets and then later gold, this was the reason Arltunga had nearly 300 people, well before Stuart, now Alice Springs, was established. Old buildings have been preserved in the region and are well worth the visit or camp. *No Fossicking Allowed.

RUBY GAP NATURE PARK - 40 km from Arltunga

You will need a full day minimum, to visit this remote and rugged terrain, that is not to be underestimated. Enjoy bush camping and experienced walkers will be rewarded after a 2 km walk to Glen Annie Gorge. Travelling on, you can enjoy the hospitality of Hale River Homestead with historic sites, birdwatching walks and more. Or you can take part of the Binns Track further north to Gemtree, for a stopover and a fossick on the Plenty Highway.





Dalhousie Hot Springs

MT DARE TO ALICE SPRINGS - 527 km 1 - 2+ Days

While flanking the western edge of the Simpson Desert, you will pass sand ridges 5-8 mtrs high and meander through the Finke River flood-out. Stop for a picnic lunch at Old Andado Homestead where pioneering pastoralist Molly Clark lived for over 50 years.

ALICE SPRINGS TO GEMTREE - 138 km 1 - 2+ Days

(Further information page 101)

East MacDonnell Ranges offer many stop overs including Emily & Jesse Gap, Trepkina Gorge and more. Heading to Ruby Gap Nature Park (4WD only) look for the many native birds and wildlife along the river bed. Camping is a wonderful option especially for experienced walkers to enjoy. Onto the Pinnacles Track to Gemtree through the rugged but breathtaking Harts Range. Fossick for gems either on your own or with a tour from your base at Gemtree.



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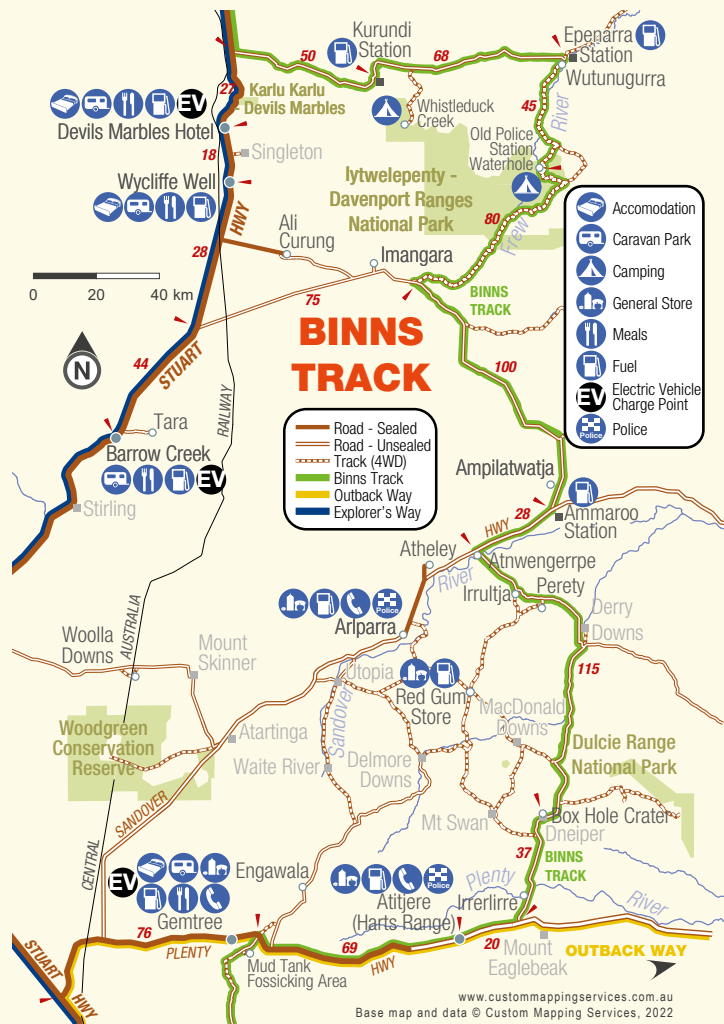
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GEMTREE TO TENNANT CREEK - 509 km 2+ Days

(Further information page 111) As you travel further north, to Iytwelepty/ Davenport Ranges National Park you can embrace the peaceful surrounds, enjoy a swim or stay and camp in this tranquil setting. A short detour to Karlu Karlu/Devils Marbles is a must do, home to massive granite boulders and best photos taken at sunrise or sunset, when the colours are at their best for any photograph.

TENNANT CREEK TO DUNMARRA - 355 km 2+Days

(Further information page 114) Stopover in Tennant Creek to discover gold history at Battery Hill Mining Centre or the unique Nyinkka Nyunyu Art & Culture centre. The Telegraph Station, and Lake Maryann, all north of Tennant Creek offer wonderful day trips or while on your way to Dunmarra.

DUNMARRA TO TIMBER CREEK - 430 km 2+ Days

NORTH OF ALICE SPRINGS

Heading north from Alice Springs on the Stuarts Highway, part of the Explorers Way, take your time and experience many of the historic and natural wonders.

Tropic of Capricorn

ALICE SPRINGS – NORTH TO:

TROPIC OF CAPRICORN - 34 km - A locally designed monument dividing the tropics from the Southern Temperate Zone.

ARLUNGA HISTORICAL RESERVE - 50 km - Turn off on right

WARBURTON MEMORIAL - 60 km - In 1873 Peter Egerton-Warburton and his party, set out for the unknown across the Great Sandy Desert.

PLENTY HIGHWAY - Turn off - Stop into Gemtree (140 km sealed road) and along the Binns Track & Outback Way.

Cattle cross this highway at many points due to unfenced or open section so enjoy to outback roads at a comfortable pace so it's safe for all.

CONNORS WELL - 97 km - First dug during the 1880's to supply Overland Telegraph Line workers and drovers with water.

NATIVE GAP CONSERVATION RESERVE - 115 km - This rocky sandstone outcrop contains a variety of native species, including Native Fig, Ironwood, Cyprus Pine and more. Black footed Rock Wallabies and Euros may be seen here, especially around dusk. The Aboriginal name for the place is Arulta Atwarte (pronounced ar-all-ta art-wa-cha) which means 'back of the shoulder - gap' as the ridge of the Hann Range appears when seen from the south.

RYAN'S WELL HISTORICAL RESERVE - 126 km - Dug in 1889, the shaft of the well was sunk to 24 metres (79 feet). This was fitted with 2 x 45 litre (12 gallon) buckets that supplied over 7,700 litres

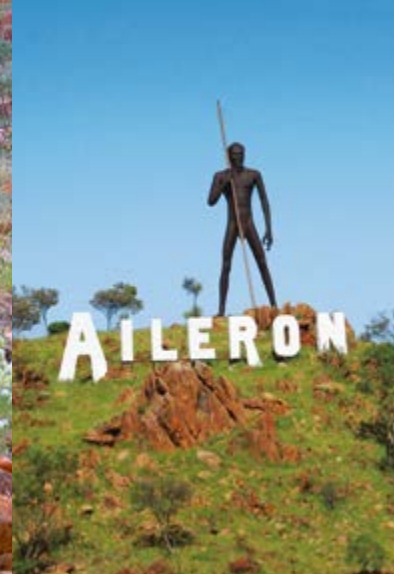
GLEN MAGGIE HOMESTEAD - 126 km - Across the road from Ryan's well, in 1914 the Nicker family set up a mulga and clay dwelling and extended their home with a main bedroom & living area in 1918.

WATCH FOR WEDGETAIL EAGLES!

Slow down if you see a Wedge Tailed Eagle feeding on the side of the road. With huge wingspans of up to 3 metres they can be slow to take flight. These big birds of prey are easily injured and can do extensive damage to a vehicle. Slow down and be aware.



Native Gap



AILERON ROADHOUSE & CARAVAN PARK - 134 km - North of Alice Springs at the turnoff, drop in and stay at one of the cleanest Roadhouses along the Stuart Hwy and enjoy great pub meals, a walk to view 'The Big Man' on the Hill and have a look at the great artworks, all sourced locally. Motel rooms and a caravan park make for a relaxing stay and ask about local attractions while basing yourself at Aileron Roadhouse.

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- Motel
- Backpackers
- Wildlife
- Scenic Walks
- Art Gallery
- Sunday Roasts
- The famous 'Anmatjere Man' (17 metre statue)



Ph 08 8956 9703
132kms North of Alice Springs
Stuart Highway, Northern Territory



TI TREE

ANMATJERE is the name given to Ti Tree and its' surrounding communities and smaller outstations. Located 194km north of Alice Springs travelling past the Tanami Road and Plenty Highways, offering spectacular landscapes and memories of historic events. The town hosts a school for the local population of approximately 550 people.

There are three major Aboriginal languages spoken in the Central Desert region, they are Warlpiri, Anmatjere and Eastern Arrente. English is commonly spoken as a third or fourth language. This culturally strong and linguistically diverse region highlights the importance of maintaining strong connections to country, and healthy family relationships. Whilst each language is different, nearly all Aboriginal people living in the region can understand each other and are usually fluent in several languages.

Open Hours
Mon-Fri 8am-5pm
Sat 9am-12pm



Come and support local business that also supports the community!

Ti Tree Food Barn

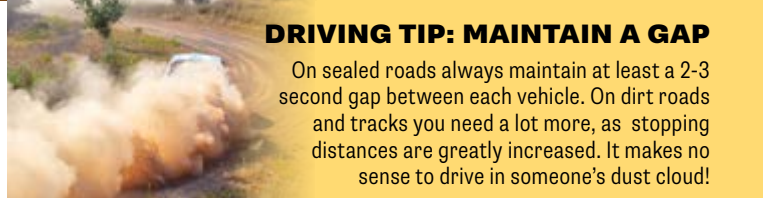
Grocery, Hot Food, Coffee, Fuel

Cabins 🏠 Camping 🚐 🚗



HOW MANY INDIGENOUS LANGUAGES?

In Australia there are more than 250 Indigenous languages including 800 dialects, each being specific to particular people in a particular area. Arnhem Land has many different languages spoken over a small area. In the huge Western Desert different dialects of one language are spoken.



DRIVING TIP: MAINTAIN A GAP

On sealed roads always maintain at least a 2-3 second gap between each vehicle. On dirt roads and tracks you need a lot more, as stopping distances are greatly increased. It makes no sense to drive in someone's dust cloud!

In the heart of Anmatjere country **TI-TREE ROADHOUSE** offers Motel & Caravan Park accommodation, fresh fast food, fuel, and super friendly staff. Located on Stuart Hwy 200kms north of Alice Springs and approx. 315 kms south of Tennant Creek the is a great stop over to relax and have and is open 7 days a week. Break your drive up and enjoy a night in the Licensed Bar with counter meals available most days.



TI-TREE ROADHOUSE

Come and visit the Ti-Tree Roadhouse, we will provide you with accommodation, food and super friendly staff. We are located on Stuart Hwy in the Northern Territory and open 7 days a week.

- Roadhouse
- Caravan Park
- Bar & Restaurant
- Food on the go
- Motel Rooms
- Fuel

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TENNANT CREEK & THE BARKLY REGION

EXPLORERS WAY

Plan a few days to make the most of your stay, with adventure, history and culture – all mixed into a landscape full of colour and life.

Barrow Creek Telegraph Station building

BARROW CREEK TELEGRAPH STATION HISTORICAL RESERVE

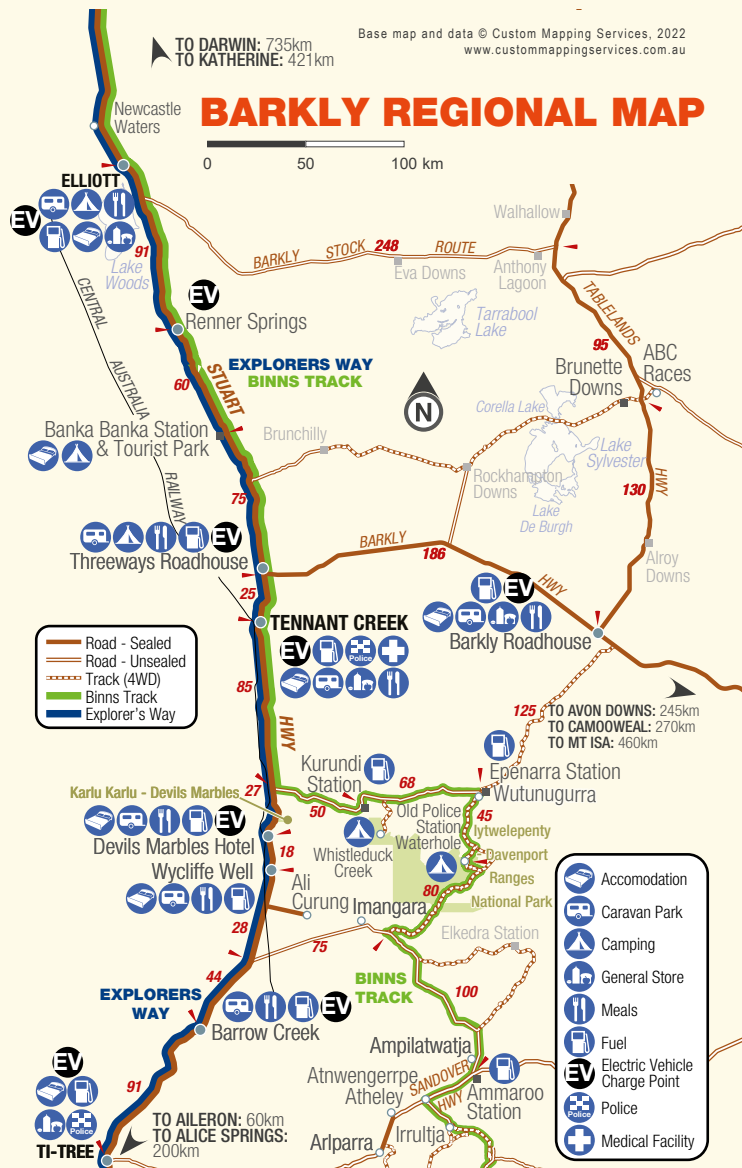
BARROW CREEK TELEGRAPH STATION - 282 km north of Alice Springs. This important station was one of 12 repeater stations between Adelaide and Port Darwin. The site was chosen due to the good prospects of sinking a well for more permanent water. Barrow Creek was named in 1860 by John McDouall Stuart, on his first return journey south to north, one of 3 attempts across of Australia.

IYTWELEPENTY / DAVENPORT RANGES NATIONAL PARK 4WD ACCESS ONLY

The National Park overlays a rich living cultural landscape of the Alyawarr, Wakaya, Kaytete and Warumungu traditional owners. Experience the quiet beauty of this park, with access via high clearance 4WD only.

Explore this out of the way network of permanent waterholes, and beautiful outback landscapes, on some of the best four-wheel drive tracks in the NT. These tracks criss-cross the 1120 square kilometre park, including a challenging 17-kilometre Frew River loop track to the Old Police Station Waterhole. Stay in the camp sites at the Old Police Station Waterhole or at Whistleduck Creek. Wood BBQs and swimming are options or just soak up the serenity.

Discover European heritage sites from early pastoral and mining days. This is an ecologically significant & diverse area and can include the blackfooted rock wallaby, emu and the Australian Bustard, an unusual ground bird called a 'bush turkey' by Aboriginal people. Hundreds of waterbirds flock here to the sheltered gorges and permanent waterholes that are also full of several species of fish. Fees apply.



Whistleduck Creek



Grey Fronted Honeyeater



Picturella Mannikin



Painted Finch



Karlu Karlu / Devils Marbles Conservation Reserve

KARLU KARLU/DEVILS MARBLES CONSERVATION RESERVE

North of Alice Springs 408 km (95 km south of Tennant Creek) For the Warumungu, Kaytetye, Alyawarr and Warlpiri people, this is a traditional country and a living culture.

Formed over a million years these magnificent granite boulders are precariously balanced on each other and are changing, continuing to still crack. Some are up to 6 metres high. Literally translated, Karlu Karlu is 'round boulders' and these 'marbles' scatter across the shallow and wide reserve.

Walking tracks are provided with interpretive boards, sharing the Dreamtime stories of how these boulders were formed and will enhance your understanding of this unique culturally rich place. Offering refuge to a variety of birds, reptiles and insects, you will also find attached to the underside of overhanging boulders, clusters of bottle-shaped mud nests of Fairy Martins. Flocks of birds, including Painted and Zebra Finches can frequent, and the small Black-headed Goanna may be spotted in the crevices.

Allowed in designated areas, camping is a treat with sunset and sunrise a special time to capture an amazing array of colours, with a full moon rising a photographic delight. Fees apply.

Parks & Wildlife are making changes in March 2022 and introducing an online booking system. Keep up to date - depws.nt.gov.au/parks-changes



WARUMUNGU WORDS		
WARUMUNGU WORD	TRY TO SAY THE WORDS!	WHAT THEY MEAN <i>Not all words can be easily translated into an English meaning</i>
Karlu Karlu	Gull-oo-Gull-oo	Karlu Karlu also known as Devils Marbles
Warumungu	Warra-moong-oo	Local nation for the area
Karmente	Gummen-da	Goodbye
Tjukurpa	chook-orr-pa	Creation time, law, way of life, story
Nappa	Nar-pa	Water

5 DAY SUGGESTED ITINERARY

DAY 1

- ▶ Visitor Information Centre
- ▶ Mining Centre - museums, nature walks, static machinery displays
- ▶ Bill Allen Lookout
- ▶ Local Shopping - Main Street
- ▶ Dinner at Sporties Club

DAY 2

- ▶ Karlu Karlu / Devils Marbles - enjoy as a day trip only 100km south of Tennant Creek or camp overnight
- ▶ A photographer's delight - Sunrise / Sunset



DAY 3

- ▶ Tennant Creek Telegraph Station Historical Reserve - Information Sheet & deposit for key @ Visitor Centre
- ▶ Kunjarra / The Pebbles - Aboriginal Womens Dreaming

DAY 4

- ▶ Nyinkka Nyunyu Art & Culture Centre - museum and exhibitions
- ▶ National Trust - Check for open times
- ▶ Jurnkurakurr Mural
- ▶ Peko Park
- ▶ Catholic Church
- ▶ Celebrity handprints

DAY 5

- ▶ Lake Mary Ann - shaded picnic area & tables/chairs, playground, swim/kayak/ water fun, abundant birdlife
- ▶ Ted Ryko Cycle Path
- ▶ Anzac Hill Lookout

Battery Hill Mining Centre Tennant Creek

UNDERGROUND MINE TOUR

Discover the history, science and thrill of Gold Mining in Tennant Creek & The Barkly.



BOOK NOW
TOURS DAILY

Incorporating the
Tennant Creek Visitor Information Centre

Opening hours

Monday - Friday 9.00am - 4.00pm

Saturday & Sunday 9.30am - 4.00pm

P. 08 8962 1281

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Tingkarli / Lake Mary Ann

BATTERY HILL MINING CENTRE & VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRE

Tennant Creek's unique gold mining history started with a gold rush in the 1930's. Wander through 3 very different exhibits that offer an interest for all, ranging from minerals to exhibits and proud ANZAC history.

This is the best 'first stop' with the Visitor Information Centre based there for, all the extra information or bookings you need. Heading further along the Stuart Highway/Explorers Way north of Tennant Creek, discover more options to explore a mix of our natural & historic fascinating attractions.

BIKE/WALKING PATH - 5 km one-way. Starting at the north end of town, meander a well-maintained and picturesque path that takes you to Tingkarli / Lake Mary Ann.

TINGKARLI/LAKE MARY ANN - 5 km north - Through the Honeymoon Ranges, you will find this shady, cool oasis. Large enough for swimming, canoeing & paddle boarding, this peaceful place is surrounded by landscaped grassy areas and natural bushland. An ideal spot for a picnic and with a brand new playground and catering to those with disabilities, the whole family can enjoy a relaxing time with the convenience of bbqs, shelters and toilets.

TENNANT CREEK TELEGRAPH STATION HISTORICAL RESERVE

- 10 km north (*See Visitor Information Centre for key access and Self-guided walk) The first buildings were temporary, made of bush timber in 1872 when the Overland Telegraph Line was completed. In 1875 a permanent building was made from local quarried stone. The Self-Guided walk is a wonderful insight into the lives of early pioneers and their historic hardships.

TENNANT CREEK - KUNJARRA / THE PEBBLES - 11 km + 6 km unsealed - high clearance vehicle recommended. Kunjarra / The Pebbles is an Aboriginal women's sacred site and this outcrop of granite boulders is considered the mini Karlu Karlu / Devils Marbles. With shaded areas, this is a pleasant rest stop however current upgrade of facilities may restrict access to bush toilets. (no overnight camping is permitted)



Kunjarra / The Pebbles

TENNANT CREEK EVENTS 2022

 Check the Explore Tennant Creek Facebook page for any date changes

MAY 2022

Tennant Creek Cup

A chance to dress up and try your luck with the locals and bookies.

JUNE 2022

Tennant Creek Open

Join in the Tennant Creek Open, a 2 Day event held over June long weekend on a course all fans need to try at least once.

NT Sandscrape Championships

attracting the best in the Territory this is a great way for visitors to learn a few tips on this unique Golf Course.

ABC Brunette Down Races

Venture off-road to enjoy a truly Outback event. Camping facilities at the Brunette Downs Station.

JULY 2022

Territory Day

July 1st, Fireworks help celebrate the day the NT declared independence from the Commonwealth Government in 1978.



The second Friday in July is the Tennant Creek Show Day, an opportunity to enjoy cattle displays, a dog show and local arts & crafts.

AUGUST 2022

Desert Harmony Annual Arts Festival

Check their website for festival events calendar and a great opportunity to engage with locals and celebrate your visit to Tennant Creek.



Speedway events are held regularly from April to October. A family friendly evening highlighting local juniors to national events.

BOTTLESHOP HOURS - There are rules throughout the Northern Territory for buying takeaway alcohol that apply to locals, tourist and visitors alike. Photo ID will be required in most takeaway outlets to ensure you are not on the Banned Drinkers Register.

Bottle Shop hours are Monday - Saturday 4pm - 7pm

Quantities of the amounts you can purchase apply.

For further information <https://nt.gov.au/law/alcohol>

Base yourself at **TENNANT CREEK CARAVAN PARK** for a few days to discover the best of the Barkly region. With great travel advice, the friendly staff are always on hand to offer local knowledge to ensure you can make the most of your time. Pet friendly and drive through sites for easy parking, stop, enjoy, recharge so you can enjoy the fascinating history of the region.






TENNANT CREEK CARAVAN PARK

For Bookings & Enquiries
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admin@tennantcreekcaravanpark.com.au
208 Paterson Street, Tennant Creek
(North End Of Stuart Highway)

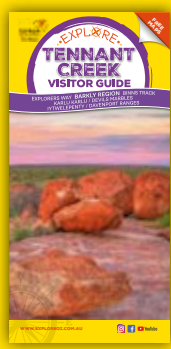


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TENNANT CREEK TOWN MAP

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BARKLY REGION
KARLU KARLU / DEVILS MARBLES - EXPLORERS WAY
IYWELEPENTY / DAVENPORT RANGES

CHECK OUT FACEBOOK PAGE FOR THE LATEST INFO, EVENTS & MORE
EXPLORETENNANTCREEK.COM.AU

To Tennant Creek Golf Course:
5km

Bill Allen Lookout

Tennant Creek Visitor Information Centre & Battery Hill Mining Centre

Jubilee Park Racecourse & Showgrounds

Speedway

Bike Path to:
Tingkkari / Lake Mary Ann 5km

TED RYKO BIKE PATH

OVERLAND TELEGRAPH STATION
KUNJARRA / THE PEBBLES 15km

TENNANT CREEK TO:
Three Ways 25km
Darwin 990km

EXPLORERS WAY BINNS TRACK

See page 32 for Advertisers page location

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| R14 | 1 Little Rippers Lifestyles | Q8 | 6 Tennant Creek Caravan Park |
| Q13 | 2 Outback Outfitters | Q11 | 7 Steve Edgington MLA |
| R14 | 3 Leading Edge/Jaycar | Q11 | 8 United Chemist |
| Q14 | 4 Enterprise Electrics | Q13 | 9 Barkley Quality Butchers |
| P10 | 5 Sporties Club | S16 | 10 Lone Star Service Station |

Tennant Creek Airport

TENNANT CREEK TO:
Alice Springs 508km
EXPLORERS WAY BINNS TRACK

- Main Roads
- Other Roads
- Bike Path
- Information Centre
- Police
- Hospital
- Pharmacy
- Fuel
- Electric Vehicle Charge Point
- Post Office
- Supermarket
- Caravan Park
- RV Dump Point
- Swimming Pool
- Lookout



Winton



SPOTTO!

Keep a look out for these Spotto items as you travel and when you see one, shout out "Spotto" and name your item.

• Keep your own tally • 5 points for the first one to spot a Spotto

- Blue Roadtrain
- Salt Lake
- Greyhound Bus
- Trailer with furniture
- Double wheel caravan
- Jet Trail in the sky
- Motorbike
- Camel Road sign
- Yellow Car
- Petrol Tanker
- Rainbow
- Animal shaped cloud

Heading from west to east, starting in Laverton, Western Australia to Winton, Queensland via the Northern Territory's Red Centre and travels along a well-worn track through the heart of Australia. Covering around 2,700km, The Outback Way is Australia's version of Route 66, the great Australian road trip, one you can unearth the magic of an outback journey like never before. The colours will constantly change, from beautiful to amazing, as only the Australian outback can offer. Collect memories with every kilometre and take your time to savour the unique architecture of every mountain range, marvel at nature's diversity where you get to awaken your senses.

You can zig-zag the nation along the trail or do shorter, invigorating trips. Immerse yourself in Indigenous culture and explore the Art Trail, hear the whisper of the desert oaks. Be amazed at the pioneering stamina all along the way, join in the country spirit of an outback festival and dance with the dinosaurs in Winton. Fossil for gems at **THE GEMTREE**, make paper out of spinifex at **CURTIN SPRINGS STATION**, watch a weather balloon launch in Warakuna. At each of your stops along the way you will be richer for learning a little more about this amazing country we share.

Laverton - Tjukayirla Roadhouse	306 km	5 hours 11 mins
Tjukayirla Roadhouse - Warburton	247 km	3 hours 15 mins
Warburton - Warakurna	228 km	2 hours 52 mins
Warakurna - Yulara	333 km	3 hours 52 mins
Yulara - Curtin Springs	82.5 km	48 mins
Curtin Springs - Stuart's Well	269 km	2 hours 36 mins
Stuart's Well - Alice Springs	92.1 km	1 hour
Alice Springs - Gemtree	138 km	1 hour 25 mins
Gemtree - Jervois Station	208 km	2 hours 4 mins
Jervois Station - Tobermorey	219 km	2 hours 19 mins
Tobermorey - Boulia	251 km	2 hours 53 mins
Boulia - Winton	364 km	4 hours 3 mins

Drive times are approximate and do not allow for stops. Road conditions may change due to weather and could delay times. Check for other stop in between these distances at <https://outbackway.org.au/plan-your-trip/>

Geocache along The Outback Way

Find treasures with 35 cache's hidden along the way. Keep the kids interested and excited about what is yet to come. Register online at <https://outbackway.org.au/shop/> *fee applies



FIND THE WONDER WORD!

Find every word in the list in order for the WONDERWORD to appear.

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Alice
Anzac Hill
Camel
Camp
Desert
Dot
Drone
Gem
Gorge
Kangaroo
MacDonnell
Mala
Park
Rain
Ranges
Red
Roadtrains
Stuart
Tour
Trail
Trip
Uluru

KIDS FUN!

Using a torch, you can 'flash' the letters of your name with longer and shorter bursts of light. See if you can do a whole sentence to a friend or family member using the Morse Code alphabet.



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