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The Red Centre never ceases to inspire or amaze, whether you're a resident or here for the first time. From the moment you arrive in this vast and unique landscape, an abundance of exciting fun-filled adventures awaits. The Red Centre has a rich connection with art, culture, land and Australian pioneering history. Many who live in Central Australia have a strong link to the land: it is their home, their business, their history and their future. Art is an amazing opportunity to experience the diversity of the landscape, which we see every day. You can explore the region's ancient and beautiful landscape by foot or on wheels to discover the amazing waterholes, hiking tracks and all the attractions, events and experiences that we have on offer.

Our strong connection to land and to people is present in our rich art history and culture. The country throughout Central Australia has close ties with the first Australians, who are the Traditional Owners of this land. Their ancient history and Dreamtime stories can still be seen today in the form of rock carvings at sacred sites, along with paintings, jewellery making with traditional beads, basket weaving and a plethora of other art practices.

We have consolidated the region's amazing art attractions and events into four easyto-follow trails so that you can discover and experience the full richness of art in the Red Centre. Once you immerse yourself in the magic of Central Australia and connect with the land, people, culture and history - the experience will never leave you.

Go exploring, your art adventure awaits you!

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#### PERMITS

The following outback Art Centre requires an entry permit: Ikuntji Artists @ Haasts Bluff Community Telephone: (08) 8956 8783 Email: fineart@ikuntji.com.au Artists of Ampilatwatja @ Ampilatwatja Telephone: 0437 426 549 Email: artists@ampilatwatja.com The following outback Art Centre does not require a day permit but requires an overnight permit: Papunya Tjupi Arts @ Papunya Community Telephone: (08) 8964 7141 Email: art@papunyatjupi.com.au For more information on permits, please contact: Central Land Council (CLC) 27 Stuart Hwy, Alice Springs, NT 0870

Ph: (08) 8951 6211 Email: permits@clc.org.au www.clc.org.au

Seeing the artists at work and meeting and speaking with them about their culture is an unforgettable experience. Most of the outback art centres welcome visitors, however it is essential to make contact first to obtain information on permits, road conditions, opening hours, visitor accommodation, fuel and food availability. Many art centres are very remote and are 4WD accessible only. Art Centres are closed on weekends except by prior arrangement. Permits to enter remote communities are often required. and processing permits can take up to 3 weeks. The individual Art Centre will give contact details for permit applications.



My Fathers Country - Kathleen Rambler "This is the painting of my Father's country, where I grew up. When we would go hunting, we always climbed those hills. We would take the kids hunting too and take photos of the hills." Image courtesy Artists of Ampilatwatja

## **DESARTINC:** PEAK INDUSTRY BODY FOR CENTRAL AUSTRALIAN ABORIGINAL ART CENTRES

Desart member Art Centres are Aboriginal-owned and controlled and are located in communities across Central Australia. They are professionally managed to ensure ethical support for the production, marketing and distribution of authentic Aboriginal art. Buying artwork from Aboriginal-owned art centres means you are supporting families, jobs, community and the next generation of Aboriginal Artists. Purchasing and sourcing art from a Desart member Art Centre provides a guarantee that your artwork is authentic and ethical.

For more information about Desart member art centres in

Central Australia please go to www.desart.com.au or look for the

symbol in this booklet.

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#### **INDIGENOUS ART CODE**

The Indigenous Art Code Ltd (Code) has a significant role in ensuring fair trade with Indigenous artists. The Code: - Establishes a set of standards for commercial dealing with Indigenous visual artists; - Provides a benchmark for ethical behaviour; and builds greater certainty for consumers that the artworks they buy come through ethical processes. Please look for the

symbol in this booklet.



## ALICE SPRINGS CENTRAL ART TRAIL

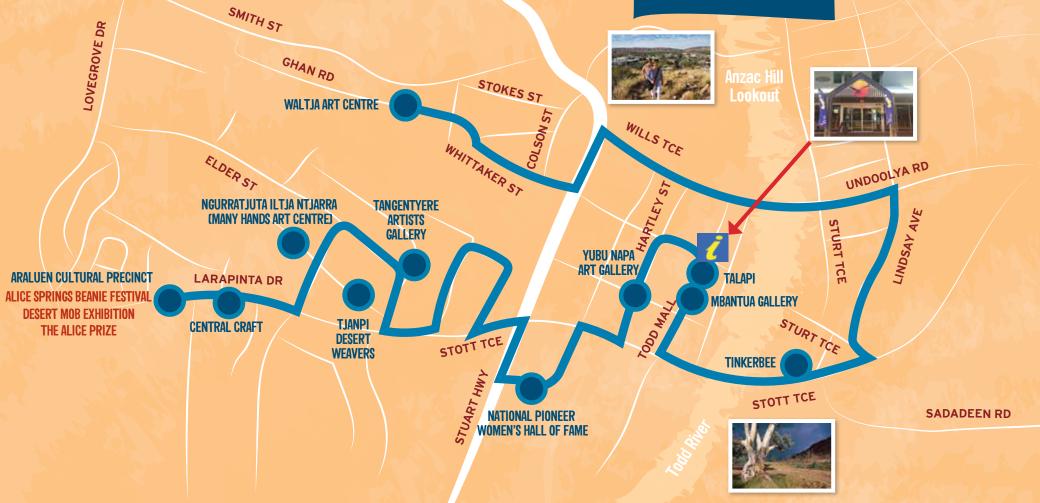
Alice Springs is the capital of the Red Centre and is abundant with heritage, cultural and art experiences suitable for all visiting age groups. The Alice Springs Central Art Trail contains amazing Aboriginal artworks, jewellery, crafts and events unique to Australia. There are eleven art stops, along with three iconic events on this trail that will guarantee unique and unforgettable experiences.

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# ALICE SPRINGS CENTRAL TRAIL





#### YUBU NAPA GALLERY

65 Hartley Street, Alice Springs NT 0870 Ph: (08) 8952 2007 | E: info@yubunapa.com www.yubunapa.com Monday - Friday: 10.00am - 6.00pm Saturday: 10.00am - 4.00pm

Yubu Napa Art Gallery is located a short, five minute walk from Todd street mall. This gallery has an extensive range of Aboriginal art, featuring a wide variety of traditional and contemporary modern artworks. Visitors often spend hours enjoying the diverse range of styles in the spacious, beautifully appointed gallery. Visitors will also have the rare privilege of meeting some of the artists responsible for creating these beautiful works in the open studio space. There is also a delightful gift shop showcasing unique, high quality, handmade items and photography. With knowledgeable friendly staff, fully air-conditioned, complimentary cool water and amenities, Yubu Napa Art Gallery is an experience not to be missed!

#### TINKERBEE

Chifley Alice Springs Resort 34 Stott Terrace, Alice Springs NT 0870 Ph: (08) 8951 4545 | E: frontd.alicesprings@chifleyhotels.com www.tinkerbee.com.au Indigenous sand painting workshops (90 minutes) Thursday - Saturday: 9.30am & 2.30pm

Werte! Local Arrente elder, artist and educator, Kumalie Riley is the owner and operator of Tinkerbee Central and Eastern Arrente Cross-Cultural and Interpretation Service. Join an interactive Sandpainting Workshop with Kumalie and create your own art piece while you discover the meaning of symbols and explore Indigenous storytelling through art and language. Follow your cultural experience with a relaxing morning or afternoon tea and browse a range of local art, craft and souvenirs in the lobby shop.



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45 Todd Mall, Alice Springs NT 0870 Ph: (08) 8953 6389 | E: art@talapi.com.au www.talapi.com.au

Monday - Friday: 9.00am - 6.00pm Saturday: 9.00am - 5.00pm

Talapi is a gallery that presents artworks from remote Aboriginal art centres in central Australia. The community based art centres are unique in their support of artistic development and they provide important economic opportunities to their artists. Art centres are known for their innovation and support of new and emerging artists as well as established artists. Talapi aims to promote new and original works through a regular year round exhibition program. Each artwork comes with correct provenance with certificates of authenticity supplied by the art centres. Friendly and informed staff can assist first time purchasers visiting the region or collectors of fine art.

NGURRATJUTA ILTJA NTJARRA (MANY HANDS ART CENTRE) 29 Wilkinson Street, Alice Springs NT 0870 Ph: (08) 8950 0908 | E: art@ngur.com.au www.ngurart.com.au Monday - Friday: 9.00am - 5.00pm



Ngurratjuta IItja Ntjarra art centre has a special focus on encouraging the current Hermannsburg School of Art. About 20 watercolour artists are associated with the centre. They continue to paint in the tradition of their grandfather, Albert Namatjira, arguably one of Australia's most famous artists. His paintings have been seen across the world and his descendants are finding the same success with their exquisite images of their breathtaking country. Ngurratjuta IItja Ntjarra is an aboriginal owned and governed, not-for-profit organisation who sell a unique collection of ethical and authentic Aboriginal landscape paintings. Here you are able to meet the artists (Mon-Thu 10.00am-3.00pm), browse through the contemporary watercolours in the studio and gallery, and buy direct from an Aboriginal organisation.











#### MBANTUA GALLERY

64 Todd Mall, Alice Springs NT 0870 Ph: (08) 8952 5571 | E: info@mbantua.com.au www.mbantua.com.au Monday - Friday: 9.00am - 6.00pm Saturday: 9.00am - 4.00pm Sunday (May 1st-Oct 31st) 9.00am - 3.00pm

Established in 1987, Mbantua Gallery is one of Alice Springs' most recognized galleries and is respected for their continuous relationship with Aboriginal artists and their families from the Utopia lands, North-East of Alice Springs. Mostly women, their artwork is highly soughtafter and they are renowned for consistently producing beautiful artwork. Mbantua Gallery offers a selection of quality giftware, artefacts and paintings which are sent to art enthusiasts, both new and old, all over the world.

#### WALTJA ART CENTRE

3 Ghan Road, Ciccone NT 0870 Ph: (08) 8953 4488 | E: art@waltja.org.au www.waltja.org.au Monday - Friday: 9.00am - 4.00pm

Waltja's agenda is driven by a Board of Directors who are all Aboriginal women, with the aim of improving outcomes for families. Collectively women want to share their histories, stories and visions across the Central Desert communities to create one voice for the good of all. At Waltja, you can view and purchase diaries, book covers and art products including: punu, clapsticks, jewellery, conference bags and pannikins. The proceeds go back into the social enterprise.



3 Wilkinson Street, Alice Springs NT 0870 Ph: (08) 8958 2377 | E: tjanpi.sales@npywc.org.au www.tjanpi.com.au

Monday - Friday: 10.00am - 4.00pm

Tjanpi Desert Weavers is the dynamic social enterprise of the Ngaanyatjarra Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (NPY) Women's Council. Tjanpi provides more than 400 Aboriginal women artists from the NPY lands with the opportunity to come together on country, collect materials, sculpt and weave, sing, dance and keep culture strong whilst creating beautiful, intricate, and innovative baskets and sculptures.

#### ARALUEN ARTS CENTRE

61 Larapinta Drive, Araluen NT 0870 Ph: (08) 8951 1122 | E: araluen@nt.gov.au www.araluenartscentre.nt.gov.au Monday - Friday: 10.00am - 4.00pm Saturday - Sunday: 11.00am - 4.00pm

The Araluen Cultural Precinct is home to some of the most significant artistic, cultural and historical experiences in Alice Springs and provides a unique visitor experience, encompassing Central Australia's key cultural institutions and collections. In its four galleries and 500 seat theatre, the Araluen Arts Centre presents an annual program of exhibitions, theatre, and film, hosting iconic events such as the nationally significant Desert Mob. The Araluen Art Collection is one of the most important collections in the country, in particular its collection of Aboriginal artworks tracing the history of Aboriginal art development in Central Australia and the beginning of the Western Desert art movement, including original artworks by renowned watercolourist Albert Namatjira and Papunya boards from the early 1970s. A "keeping place of stories", the Araluen Cultural Precinct offers a rich experience set amongst important Arrernte sites significant to the local Arltyerre (Dreaming) including yaye (big sister hill), yaye akweke (little sister hill) and a sacred 300-year-old corkwood tree. The centre is also home to significant public works of art such as the impressive Yeperenye sculpture celebrating the creation ancestor for Mparntwe (Alice Springs), Clifford Possum's celebrated large scale mural, the majestic sculpture 'The Split' that was commissioned for Araluen's opening in 1984, and Wenten Rubuntja's massive floor-to-ceiling stained-glass foyer window depicting Arrente stories central to Alice Springs.

#### **CENTRAL CRAFT**

61 Larapinta Drive, Alice Springs NT 0870 Ph: (08) 8952 4417 | E: coordinator@centralcraft.org.au www.centralcraft.org.au Monday - Friday: 10.00am - 4.00pm Saturday - Sunday: 11.00am - 3.00pm

Central Craft is a member based organisation supporting and promoting contemporary craft and design practice in Central Australia, located at the Araluen Cultural Precinct. The facilities include a studio with an engaging workshop program, a gallery with regular exhibitions and a retail outlet, operating seven days a week. The gift shop is dedicated to homemade local art, craft and design where you can purchase unique locally crafted gifts including: jewellery, pottery, assorted craft items, lapidary, beanies, handmade clothes, beautiful glass work, cards, paper craft and a selection of paintings from local artists.









TANGENTYERE ARTISTS GALLERY

Tangentyere Artists represents Aboriginal people from Town Camps in Alice Springs and are Aboriginal owned and not-forprofit. The Art Centres' mission is to facilitate innovative and sustainable art programs that support the aspirations and decisions of Town Camp people. Figurative narrative paintings are Tangentyere Artists' signature style. By documenting sites and activities familiar to them, Town Camp artists afford their audiences unique insight into their personal histories and everyday lives.

#### NATIONAL PIONEER WOMEN'S HALL OF FAME

2 Stuart Terrace, Alice Springs NT 0870 Ph: (08) 8952 9006 | E: operations@pioneerwomen.com.au www.pioneerwomen.com.au Monday - Sunday: 10.00am - 5.00pm

Visit "The Old Gaol Shop", a collaboration between the National Pioneer Women's Hall of Fame and Alice Springs Correctional Services. Located in the Old Alice Springs Gaol museum complex, the shop showcases prisoner art and craft as well as other locally produced items. Discover original artwork, pottery, jewellery, metal wall art, wooden furniture and other unique items. Many of the items are individually painted by aboriginal artists with traditional motifs as well as contemporary images. The shops policy is to source local and Australian products which ensure some benefit is returned to the original artists.

# ALICE SPRINGS CENTRAL TRAIL EVENTS

ALICE SPRINGS BEANIE FESTIVAL 2016 24 - 27 June 2016 Araluen Arts Centre 61 Larapinta Drive, Araluen NT 0870 Ph: (08) 8951 1122 | www.beaniefest.org

In recognition of the 20th anniversary, the Alice Springs Beanie Festival celebrates the Spirit of the Land. Beanie-ologists from across the desert, the continent and the world will showcase their masterpieces, drawing inspiration from the desert, forest, highlands, coastal and urban landscapes. With an anticipated 7000 beanies on show and available for sale, this year's Beanie Festival is sure to please even the most discerning beanie lover. Get in on the action by joining the festivities of opening night, vote for your favourite exhibition piece, sign up for a workshop or simply enjoy the treasure hunt that is Beanie Central.

#### THE ALICE PRIZE

15 April - 13 June 2016 Araluen Arts Centre 61 Larapinta Drive, Araluen NT 0870 Ph: (08) 8953 7090 | www .aliceprize.com

The Alice Prize is a \$25,000 national biennial visual arts award. Presented by the Alice Springs Art Foundation, The Alice Prize is one of Australia's longest running and most renowned art prizes. Open to entries in any medium, theme or genre, artworks are selected by a panel of experts for exhibition at the Araluen Arts Centre and the final prize is chosen by an eminent judge. Artworks acquired from the Alice Prize are donated to the Alice Springs Town Council and become part of the Araluen Art Collection. First staged in 1970, this year will mark the 39th Alice Prize, opening on April 15.

#### **DESERT MOB EXHIBITION**

8 September - 23 October 2016 Araluen Arts Centre 61 Larapinta Drive, Araluen NT 0870 Ph: (08) 8951 1122 | www.desertmob.nt.gov.au

Desert Mob is unlike anything else and is one of the most anticipated and important Aboriginal art and cultural events in the nation. A unique gathering of artists, artworks and audiences, in the heart of Australia, Desert Mob, is an opportunity to experience new developments in Aboriginal art from across Central Australia. View the Desert Mob Exhibition which showcases hundreds of new artworks, hear stories about what influences artists at the Symposium and meet with artists at the MarketPlace as you take the opportunity to purchase high quality artworks at an affordable price. Desert Mob is a vibrant and extraordinary event not to be missed.



# **ROAD TO THE** ROCK **ART TRAIL**

Road to the Rock is a great trail to take on your their art studio, which is wholly indigenous owned is another stop along this trail. Join a one-hour paper making tour, where you can experience how they use the native grasses on the million handmade paper. Once you reach Uluru, Maruku Cultural Centre and offers unique arts & crafts made by the Traditional Owners, the Anangu

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ALONG THIS TRAIL...

Mt Ebenezer Roadhouse **Curtin Springs Paper** Maruku Arts Gallery



#### **ROAD TO THE ROCK TRAIL**

#### MT EBENEZER ROADHOUSE GALLERY

Mt Ebenezer, Lasseter Highway 250km south of Alice Springs Ph: (08) 8956 2904 | E: Ebenezer@indervon.com.au Monday - Sunday (7 days): 7.30am - 8.00pm

Indigenous owned and operated, Mount Ebenezer's Art studio is visited daily by local artists whose art is sold direct through the extensive gallery where visitors have the opportunity to sit and talk with artists about their work. The gallery also shows art from the Blackstone and Yuendumu regions. Delicious home-made food, great coffee and friendly outback hospitality are hallmarks of the roadhouse and visitors can stay in clean, recently renovated motel rooms or in the pet-friendly campground.

#### **CURTIN SPRINGS PAPER**

Lasseter Highway, 360km from Alice Springs and 100km from Uluru

Ph: (08) 8956 2906 | E: enquiries@curtinsprings.com www.curtinsprings.com

\*Please check website for tour times and workshop details

Handmade paper from the native grasses found on the million acre cattle station. Nature is literally transformed as the desert offers up its hardy ingredients to combine and make a distinctive and beautiful souvenir of Central Australia. Share the wonders of Curtin Springs and get to know their history, landscape and connection to the land, through their paper. Join a one hour tour of the production process in the Old Abattoir. Tour participants have exclusive access to the full range of Curtin Springs Paper products. Extended stay workshops are also programmed throughout the year. Curtin Springs has accommodation, campground, meals and bar.

#### MARUKU ARTS GALLERY

Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park Cultural Centre Ph: (08) 8956 2558 | E: maruku@maruku.com.au www.maruku.com.au Monday - Sunday (7 days): 7.30am - 5.30pm

Maruku Arts is 100 owned by some 800 artists from the NPY region around Uluru. With a gallery at the Cultural Centre in the Uluru Kata-Tjuta National Park offering the unique art & craft of local Anangu people - this is a great opportunity to purchase a genuine artefact or artwork from the desert. An artists' market operates in nearby Yulara offering twice-daily Dot Painting workshops conducted by leading artists - an enjoyable introduction to the art & culture of the region for all ages. Participants meet local artists and create their own masterpiece to take away as a memento of this extraordinary experience.







# **OUTBACK ART TRAIL**

There are six art experiences within the Outback Art Trail. Drive yourself along the Tjoritja/West MacDonnell Ranges to start your adventure, or visit some of the remote Aboriginal art centres on a tour with a professional guide. These outback centres are a vital part of remote community life and visitors have the opportunity to meet and interact with local artists. There are many exquisite cultural artworks on display and available for purchase. The scenery along this trail is extraordinarily beautiful with rugged mountain ranges, lush waterholes and stunning desert landscape.

#### ALONG THIS TRAIL...

Kathleen Buzzacott Studio Standley Chasm Ikuntji Artists Papunya Tjupi Arts Hermannsburg Historic Precinct Spirit Safaris



PAPUNYA TJUPI ARTS





# **OUTBACK ART TRAIL**

#### **KATHLEEN BUZZACOTT ART STUDIO**

Lot 1691 Larapinta Drive, approx. 18km from Alice Springs. Ph: (08) 8955 0996 | E: kathy.buzzacott@live.com www.kathleenbuzzacott.com.au Monday - Thursday: 9.00am - 4.30pm Saturday: 9.00am - 4.00pm | Closed Friday & Sunday

Kathleen Buzzacott Art Studio is an indigenous family owned and operated enterprise. You are invited to visit Kathleen at her home studio on Arrente Country. Her original fine dot paintings are available for purchase as a lasting memory of your visit.

#### **ANGKERLE - STANDLEY CHASM**

Approx. 50km from Alice Springs via Larapinta Drive/Red Centre Way Ph: (08) 8956 7440 | E: info@standleychasm.com.au www.standleychasm.com.au Monday - Sunday (7 days): 8.00am - 5.00pm

Standley Chasm Angkerle Atwatye is a significant "woman's dreaming" site, located in the West MacDonnell Ranges National Park with a Kiosk Cafe in local community ownership. The Gift Shop has range of Indigenous literature and locally made artefacts including clapsticks, jewellery and boomerangs. Informal painting sessions are encouraged on site while a professional Indigenous cultural guide is also available with prior booking.

\*Fees are applicable for the Chasm walk only

#### **SPIRIT SAFARIS - ABORIGINAL ART TOURS**

Corner of Todd St & Parson St, Alice Springs NT 0870 Ph: 1300 763 188 | E: info@spiritsafaris.com www.spiritsafaris.com/aboriginal-art-tours Monday - Friday: 8.30am - 5.00pm Saturday, Sunday and Public Holidays: 9.30am - 4.00pm

Spirit Safaris Aboriginal Art Tours take you to remote communities in luxury 4WD with a small private group. You meet artists with the option to buy Aboriginal art or commission art with your preferences.



Lot 53 Haasts Bluff Community, Haasts Bluff Approx. 228km from Alice Springs via Larapinta Drive Ph: (08) 8956 8783 | E: fineart@ikuntji.com.au www.ikuntji.com.au

Monday - Friday: 10.00am - 4.00pm and by appointment

Permit required. Please refer to page 7 for more information

Ikuntji Artists is a member-based, not-for-profit Aboriginal art centre situated in the community of Haasts Bluff (Ikuntji). Here the artists draw their inspiration from their personal Ngurra (country) and Tjukurrpa (Dreaming). The artists also interpret ancestral stories by using traditional symbols, icons and motifs. Ikuntji Artists have been in existence for 23 years and the artworks have been exhibited globally. There are currently eight key artists in residence.

#### PAPUNYA TJUPI ARTS

Corner of Possum Street & Raggett Street, Papunya Community (240km NW of Alice Springs, with 100km dirt road - can be affected by rain) Ph: (08) 8964 7141 | E: art@papunyatjupi.com.au www.papunyatjupi.com

Monday - Friday: 10.00am - 4.00pm or by appointment

Permit required. Please refer to page 7 for more information

Birthplace of the Western Desert dot-painting movement, Papunya is known as Warumpi, a major Honey Ant dreaming site and the home of Papunya Tjupi Arts. Aboriginal owned and directed, Papunya Tjupi Arts was established in 2007 and has since been the site of a renaissance in Papunya painting. Known for their strong line-work and innovation, Papunya Tjupi artists develop new ways to tell the old stories. Visit the art centre to meet the artists, learn about their Tjukurrpa (dreaming) and purchase acrylic paintings of all sizes. Papunya Tjupi artists feature in public and private collections internationally.

#### HERMANNSBURG HISTORIC PRECINCT

Approx. 125km from Alice Springs via Larapinta Drive/Red Centre Way | Ph: (08) 8956 7402 E: historichermannsbur@bigpond.com.au www.hermannsburg.com.au Monday - Saturday: 9.00am - 5.00pm Sunday: 9.00am - 5.00pm | Closed Good Friday and Christmas Day

The Aboriginal community of Hermannsburg (Ntaria) is about 125km west of Alice Springs and was first settled by German Missionaries in 1877. Ntaria is famous as the one time home of the famous watercolour artist Albert Namatjira (1902 - 1959). At the Historic Precinct, you can view Namitjira's legacy on display in the art gallery featuring 75 original works in watercolour. These unique paintings capture the beautiful colours and landscape of Central Australia. Prints are available for purchase, along with artworks and artefacts produced by local artists.

## TENNANT CREEK & THE BARKLY ART TRAIL

The Barkly Region spans the Stuart Highway north of Alice Springs from Barrow Creek to Newcastle Waters and stretches east to the Queensland border. The Barkly is an area that is rich in history and is characterised by golden grassy plains and clear blue skies. There are four 'must-see' art experiences within the Tennant Creek & the Barkly Trail.

#### ALONG THIS TRAIL...

Arlpwe Art & Culture Centre Artists of Ampilatwatja

Nyinkka Nyunyu Art & Culture Centre

Barkly Regional Arts

#### TENNANT CREEK BARKLY REGIONAL ARTS NYINKKA NYUNYU ART & CULTURE CENTRE Karlu Karlu/ **Devils Marbles** ARLPWE ART GALLERY STORPT WHAT lytwelepenty/Davenport Ranges National Park **ARTISTS OF** AMPILATWATJA



## TENNANT CREEK TRAIL

LOT 89 Kinjurra Drive, Ali-Curung (4 hours north of Alice Springs, 2 hours south of Tennant Creek) Ph: (08) 8964 1640 | E: admin@alicurung.com.au www.australianaboriginalartgallery.com.au Monday - Friday: 9.00am - 5.00pm

Ali-Curung is an Aboriginal community of 500 people and four language groups. The Arlpwe Art & Culture Centre is situated just 15 minutes in from the Stuart Highway on a sealed bitumen road in Ali-Curung. The art centre is fast becoming 'world' famous as the place where not only great paintings are produced but also unique traditional artefacts such as the famous No.7 fighting boomerangs. At the Art Gallery, visitors have the opportunity to meet artists, artefact makers and learn about Aboriginal artwork and culture while enjoying a complimentary tea or coffee.

#### ARTISTS OF AMPILATWATJA

46 Luck Street, Ampilatwatja NT 0872 Ph: 0437 426 549 | E: artists@ampilatwatja.com www.ampilatwatja.com | Monday - Friday: 9.00am - 6.00pm

Artists of Ampilatwatja was established in 1999. The work produced by the artists is recognisably distinct from other Aboriginal artistic communities, due to the application of fine dots and the often bright and child-like figurative depiction of the land. Most of the artists paint Arreth, which translates to 'strong bush medicine', demonstrating a deep connection to country. A veritable source of life, the land has provided and sustained Alyawarr people for generations.

#### NYINKKA NYUNYU ART & CULTURE CENTRE

#### Paterson Street, Tennant Creek NT 0860 Ph: (08) 8962 2221 | E: info@nyinkkanyunyu.com.au www.nyinkkanyunyu.com.au | Monday - Friday: 8.00am - 4.00pm

Warumungu people welcome you to explore their art, land, culture, history and language through this Museum/Gallery set in landscaped aridzone gardens of native plants and bush tucker. Nyinkka Nyunyu offers visitors an opportunity to engage first-hand with local traditional people. Whilst being specific to the Warumungu culture in its presentation of history, culture and language; the retail gallery also presents artwork from all around the surrounding Barkly Region.

#### BARKLY REGIONAL ARTS

65 Staunton Street, Tennant Creek Ph: (08) 8962 2799 | E: admin@barklyarts.com.au www.barklyarts.com.au | Monday - Friday: 9.00am - 4.00pm

Located in the heart of Tennant Creek, Barkly Regional Arts (BRA) welcomes you to the 'Artist of the Barkly' gallery. This gallery promotes the incredible talents of artists from this region with works that reflect unique stories from each community through canvas art, silk scarfs, printed fabrics, ceramics and woven items. The gallery features regular exhibitions and is a working hub for local artists.



Photo by Barry Skipsey







# RED CENTRE ROCK ART

Experience all that Central Australia has to offer while travelling on an Art Trail adventure by adding Aboriginal rock art sites to your itinerary. Many of these sites have signage that explains the history, cultural and spiritual interpretations of these rock carvings. These are a few of the many popular rock art sites.

Yeperenye/Emily and Jessie Gaps are the first rock art sites that you'll come across when traveling into the East MacDonnell Ranges. Here you will find fascinating Aboriginal rock art that are important spiritual sites to the Eastern Arrernte Aboriginal people. Emily Gap is a registered sacred site and is home to a large rock painting that represents the caterpillar dreaming. The Park is open all year round and is located only 10km east of Alice Springs along the Ross Highway.

Approximately 90km east of Alice Springs, a little further along from Yeperenye/Emily and Jessie Gaps is **N'Dhala Gorge** (4WD only). This site contains more than 6000 ancient carvings as well as art sites and shelters. The oldest rock carvings here are believed to be 10,000 years old.

Many rock art sites can be found in the West MacDonnell Ranges at Wallace Rockhole. This is a small Aranda Aboriginal community located 117km west of Alice Springs along



Larapinta Drive. Here you can take a guided or self -guided tour to view ancient Aboriginal rock art and carvings.

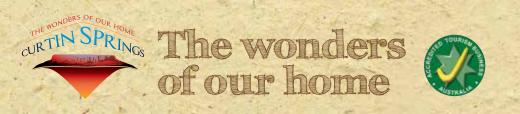
Napwerte/Ewaninga Rock Carvings Conservation Reserve is a six-hectare reserve located only 39km south of Alice Springs. Here you can follow the marked walking track (680 metres) to view the best rock art sites. The track provides visitors with a new understanding of an ancient culture. Time your visit for early morning or late afternoon during summer to avoid the heat. These are also the coolest times of the day for walking during the summer. The Ochre Pits is a colourful outcrop of ochre on the banks of a sandy creek, located approximately 110km west of Alice Springs.

Ochre has always been an important part of Aboriginal culture. The ochre is used in ceremonies and played an important role in the continent's economy where it was used as a bartering commodity with neighbouring clans. This practice is still used today.

The pits consist of several layers of multicoloured rock and offer visitors the unique opportunity to view an ochre deposit that is still used by the local Aranda people. This is a registered sacred site and is protected by Sacred Site and Parks and Wildlife legislation - please do not touch or interfere with any of the ochre - penalties apply.



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