



AUSTRALIA'S RED CENTRE

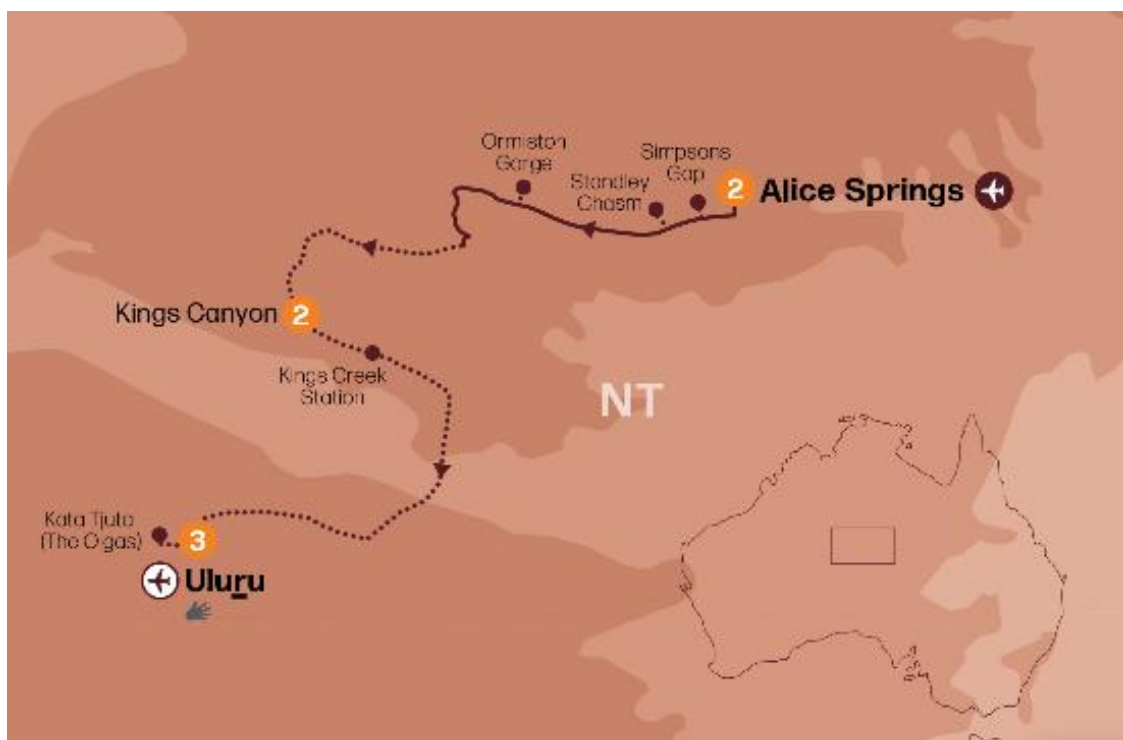
7 Nights / 8 Days



Courtesy Tourism Australia

HIGHLIGHTS

- Take in the globally renowned Field of Light, where 50,000 spindles of light transform the desert into a dreamscape
- Marvel at the soaring domes of Kata Tjuta on a walk through Walpa Gorge
- Explore World Heritage-listed Uluru on a guided base walk and feel the significance of this sacred monolith
- Witness Wintjiri Wiru, a powerful cultural story told through drones, lights and lasers across the night sky
- Rise early to witness sunrise over Uluru – a moment of true stillness and beauty
- Visit Kings Canyon for a guided scenic walk and journey through the West MacDonnell Ranges, visiting Standley Chasm and Ormiston Gorge
- Experience Sounds of Silence, an unforgettable dinner under a star-filled Outback sky
- Spend three nights at the 5-star Sails in the Desert Hotel



DAY 1 - ARRIVE ALICE SPRINGS

Your eight-day Red Centre Explorer tour commences on arrival at Alice Springs where you will be warmly welcomed by the passionate Outback Spirit crew, who will be guiding you as you take in all the Red Centre has to offer over the next eight days.

Check-in at your Alice Springs hotel, where you'll stay for the first two nights. In the evening, the group will meet for welcome drinks and a short briefing on what you can expect during your tour. Tonight's dinner is at the hotel. (B,L,D)

For guests commencing their tour on Mondays, the Outback Bush BBQ dinner will be held Night 1.

OVERNIGHT: 2 nights Crowne Plaza Alice Springs Lasseters (4.5* hotel)

DAY 2 – ALICE SPRINGS

Today, explore Alice Springs and its surrounds, taking in natural rock formations that are truly spectacular. After breakfast, venture to the West MacDonnell Ranges and enjoy a walk to Simpsons Gap. Known as 'Rungutjirpa' by the Arrernte people, Simpsons Gap is an important spiritual site and home to dozens of rare plants and a host of native wildlife.

We'll then visit Standley Chasm – Angkerle Atwatye – a cultural icon of Central Australia, which is 100% owned and operated by the

Arrernte community. We'll break for morning tea before departing the West MacDonnell Ranges to visit the Alice Springs Desert Park. Here, enjoy a guided tour that will challenge your perception of the desert, leaving you with an understanding that the desert is full of life.

This evening, enjoy a classic-style outdoor BBQ and show under the incredible night sky. (B,L,D)

Walking: The Standley Chasm is an easy flat walk on a wide path with some minor gradients. Distance – 2 km, 1 hr
Simpsons Gap walk is easy and flat. Distance – 1 km, 25 mins.



DAY 3 – ALICE SPRINGS TO KINGS CANYON

Today, we say goodbye to Alice Springs as we go deeper into the outback. First up is a visit to Ellery Creek for a short walk and

morning tea, then we travel to Ormiston Gorge to see its towering red cliffs. After lunch, we'll travel on to the mighty Kings Canyon and Watarrka National Park.

As we drive through the outback, we'll take the scenic Mereenie Loop 4WD track through the West MacDonnell Ranges and arrive at Kings Canyon Resort, where we'll spend the next two nights.

Tonight, dinner is at Carmichael's, a relaxed restaurant situated in Kings Canyon Resort, surrounded by native trees and bushlands. If you're lucky, you may spot an inquisitive dingo wandering through the grounds. (B,L,D)

OVERNIGHT: 2 nights Kings Canyon Resort (4* hotel)

DAY 4 – KINGS CANYON – WATARRKA NATIONAL PARK

This morning, we depart early to experience the beauty of Kings Canyon. Two walks are available, including the spectacular 6km rim walk, which features breathtaking views of the Watarrka National Park before descending into the 'Garden of Eden'. For those who wish to save energy, a more relaxed walk is also available along the creek on the canyon floor (2.6 km).

There is also the opportunity to take a 15-minute helicopter flight over Kings Canyon and Watarrka National Park (at own expense).

After the morning's activities, we return to Kings Canyon Resort for lunch and to rest and refresh. For those wishing to take the optional helicopter flight over Kings Canyon, this afternoon offers some time to enjoy Kings Canyon from the air (at own expense), or you can enjoy a relaxing afternoon at your leisure.



As afternoon turns to evening, we'll enjoy sunset drinks and canapes at Light-Towers, an immersive sound and light installation by the acclaimed artist Bruce Munro. Tonight, we'll enjoy dinner at the newly renovated Kings Canyon Bar & Grill and gather to recall the day's adventures. (B,L,D)

Walking: the 6.5 km Kings Canyon rim walk is very very steep with some scrambling on hands and knees. It starts with about 500 bush rock stairs unevenly spaced on a narrow track. Once you reach the Canyon Rim it's mostly flat and even. The descent is steep and narrow and requires you to watch your feet at all times – Distance: 6.5 km, approx. 3.5 hrs

The alternative Kings Canyon creek walk is easy and flat plus in semi shade for the 2nd half of the walk. Distance 2.4 km, 1.5 hrs.

DAY 5 – KINGS CANYON TO ULURU-KATA TJUTA NATIONAL PARK

Today is special. This morning we visit Karrke Aboriginal Cultural Experience and Tours, an indigenous owned and operated cultural tour. In the Aranda language, Karrke is the Aboriginal name for the western Bowerbird, which is native to Central Australia, and our guide will teach us about bush tucker and bush medicines used for spiritual and physical healing.

We then depart Karrke for Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park, passing through Kings Creek Station to enjoy lunch at Curtin Springs, a million-acre cattle station. In the early afternoon, we arrive at the award-winning Sails in the Desert Hotel, part of the Ayers Rock Resort.

This evening, we are transferred to the Wintjiri Wiru Sunset Dinner. A breathtaking cultural storytelling experience through

choreographed drones, lasers and projections illuminating the night sky.

After a short journey from the resort, we venture to an open-air theatre set upon a dune top. Enjoy cocktails infused with native ingredients while taking in the incredible views of Uluru. As darkness descends, enjoy a gourmet dinner hamper where native ingredients are combined with modern techniques to create

a balanced and flavourful palette as the night sky lights up before our eyes. Witness the ancient Mala story re-told and feel a powerful connection to country listening to a traditional Inma soundtrack and narration in the local Pitjantjatjara language. (B,L,D)

Overnight : 3 nights at Sails In The Desert Hotel (5* hotel)

DAY 6 – ULURU KATA-TJUTA NATIONAL PARK

After breakfast, we depart to discover Kata Tjuta (the Olgas) and admire the stunning rock formations on a guided walk into Walpa Gorge, an ancient temple crafted by nature.

Take in the cultural centre and take a guided tour around the base of Uluru, which stands 348 metres above the desert plains. Learn about traditional Anangu culture and why Uluru, one of the largest monoliths in the world, is such a sacred site.

This afternoon is at your leisure. You may choose to explore the Town Square, arrange a scenic flight (own cost) or relax in the comfort of your hotel.



Canyon walking

Departing the resort before sunset, we head to an exclusive dune-top location, again with majestic views of Uluru. Enjoy drinks and canapes as artist Bruce Munro's global phenomenon Field of Light gently illuminates. Aptly named Tili Wiru Tjuta Nyakutjaku (looking at lots of beautiful lights), Field of Light features 50,000 slender stems, crowned



with radiant, frosted-glass spheres, spread across an area the size of seven football fields. After your host provides insight into this **Field of Light – 50,000 stems crowned with frosted glass spheres**

remarkable installation, you can explore the stunning display via dedicated pathways.

This evening, return to the hotel for dinner. (Please note dinner will be at approximately 9.00pm). (B,L,D)

Walking: Kata-Tjuta Walpa Gorge walk is slightly uphill to the lookout. It is on mostly rock track which is uneven. Distance 2.6 km , 1 hr

DAY 7 – ULURU-KATA TJUTA NATIONAL PARK

Early risers can experience the sun rising over Uluru this morning and the colours of dawn spreading across the landscape. Breakfast is at the hotel, before we depart for the Mala Walk. Admire the fine examples of rock art along this walk before arriving at Kantju Gorge, a place of profound peacefulness surrounded by sheer vertical walls.

We return to the hotel for lunch with an afternoon ahead of us. You can spend this time at your leisure or participate in additional touring of the area, including a visit to the Gallery of Central Australia or other informative guest activities.

This evening, enjoy the unique Sounds of Silence dining experience under the stars. Offering the best of the Red Centre distilled into four magical hours, the evening begins

with canapes and chilled sparkling wine served on a viewing platform overlooking the Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park. As the sun sets and darkness falls, listen to the sound of the didgeridoo and enjoy a premium bush tucker inspired buffet incorporating native bush ingredients. Afterwards, settle back and listen to the resident star talker decode the southern night sky.

After this incredible experience, we return to Sails in the Desert for our final night. (B,L,D)

Walking: the Mala walk is flat and easy. Distance 2 km, 1.5 hrs

DAY 8 – ULURU-KATA TJUTA NATIONAL PARK TO ALICE SPRINGS

Enjoy a hearty breakfast at the hotel before making the journey by road from Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park to the Alice Springs, where your Red Centre Explorer tour comes to an end. Alternatively, you can depart from Ayers Rock Airport.



TRANSPORTATION

Travel in 5-star comfort aboard our all-terrain 4WD Mercedes-Benz coaches. These vehicles feature an excellent ride, quiet interior, reclining coach seats, ample legroom, Starlink Wi-Fi, air-conditioning, restroom & television.

SMALL GROUPS

Maximum of 22 guests per tour gives you the intimacy of boutique travel with the expertise and safety of a premium operator.

BEST TIME TO TRAVEL

The best time to visit the Australian Red Centre is during the cooler months of May to September.

- **Winter:** June to August
Expect daily temperatures of 20 – 23 degrees C making it peak season for exploring. Nights and early mornings are very cold and temperatures can drop below 0 degrees. Pack warm layers for sunset and sunrise activities
- **Autumn & Spring:** March – May & September – November
Days are warm and sunny with temperatures ranging between 23 to 30 degrees C. Spring especially brings blooming desert wildflowers and active wildlife

SCHEDULE 2027: Commences Mondays & Fridays, 8 March to 5 April

APRIL

8, 11, 12, 15, 18, 19, 22, 25, 26, 29

MAY

2, 3, 6, 9, 10, 13, 16, 17, 20, 23, 24, 27, 30, 31

JUNE

3, 6, 7, 10, 13, 14, 17, 20, 21, 24, 27, 28

JULY

1, 4, 5, 8, 11, 12, 15, 18, 19, 22, 25, 26, 29

AUGUST

1, 2, 5, 8, 9, 12, 15, 16, 19, 22, 23, 26, 29, 30

SEPTEMBER

2, 5, 6, 9, 12, 13, 16, 19, 20, 23, 26, 27, 30

OCTOBER

3, 4, 7, 10, 11, 14, 17, 18, 21, 24, 25, 28

COSTS 2027: PER PERSON, TWIN SHARE, IN AUSTRALIAN DOLLARS ALICE SPRINGS TO ULURU

	EARLYBIRD	ADVANCE PURCHASE	STANDARD	FLEXI FARE
March,	\$6,290	\$6,590	\$7,090	\$8,290
April, Sept, Oct	\$6,690	\$7,190	\$7,490	\$8,690
May, June, July, Aug	\$7,390	\$7,790	\$7,990	\$9,290
Single room supplement -	\$2400 - 2500			

COST INCLUDES:

- 7 nights accommodation in 4, 4.5 & 5* hotels and resorts
- MEALS: breakfast, lunch and dinner daily with complimentary beverages from a selected list included at lunch and dinner when dining at licensed venues only
- Park and entry fees, including Field Of Light installation at Uluru
- Transportation aboard a 5-star 4WD Mercedes Benz tour vehicle
- Explorer Pack for first time travellers

FARE CONDITIONS

Advance Purchase Fares

- Deposit of NZ\$1950 required to secure a booking which is non-refundable if booking cancelled within 100 days of travel
- Balance payable 180 days in advance
- Changes permitted up to 60 days prior to departure within the same Travel Period
- Cancellation fees – 180 days prior to departure – forfeit deposit; less than 180 days prior to departure – forfeit 100% of tour cost

Earlybird Fare – Must book by 30 September, 2026

- Deposit of NZ\$1300 required to secure a booking which is non-refundable if booking cancelled within 100 days of travel
- Balance payable 180 days in advance
- Changes permitted up to 60 days prior to departure within the same Travel Period
- Cancellation fees – 60 - 179 days prior to departure – forfeit 50% of tour cost; less than 60 days prior to departure – forfeit 100% of tour cost

Standard Fare

- Changes permitted up to 60 days prior to departure within the same Travel Period
- Deposit of NZ\$650 required to secure a booking which is non-refundable if booking cancelled within 100 days of travel
- Balance payable 100 days in advance
- Cancellation fees – up to 100 days prior to departure – forfeit deposit; 60 – 99 days – forfeit 50% of tour price; less than 60 days prior to departure – forfeit 100% of tour cost

Flexi Fare

- Pay in full at the time of booking
- Changes are permitted up to 24 hours prior to departure
- Fully refundable up to 24 hours prior to departure
- Cancel within 24 hours to departure – forfeit 100% of tour cost
- Re-booking must be within 12 months of the original date booked

Amendments for all fares except Flexi

- Amendment requests are subject to availability
- Amendments requested 100 days prior to departure – no fee
- Fees apply of AUST\$250 per person between 60 – 99 days prior to departure for Standard, Earlybird & Advance Purchase Fares

Travel Period

- Applies from 1 January – 31 December for the year you have booked your tour

MINIMUM NUMBERS

- Journeys are based on a minimum number of passengers travelling
- We will advise you prior to issuing your Booking Confirmation if the tour has minimum numbers to guarantee operation
- If a tour fails to satisfy minimum numbers, it may be cancelled, rescheduled or re-costed.
- We will give you notice no later than 100 days prior to the tour's commencement
- If the tour is rescheduled or re-costed, you will have the option to either accept within 7 days, the rescheduled departure date or the new cost (as applicable) or to cancel your booking
- If you elect to cancel your booking in these circumstances, or if we cancel your tour, a full refund will be made or the amount paid credited towards an alternative tour

Book through :



Ph +64 21415457

info@enterprisetravel.co.nz

www.enterprisetravel.co.nz