

THE RED CENTRE

2024-2025 EXPERIENCES







Internationally acclaimed artist Bruce Munro is noted for his immersive site-specific installations that employ light to evoke emotional response, often in an outdoor context and on a monumental scale. The Field of Light was inspired by a trip to Uluru over 30 years ago. It is installed in a remote desert area within sight of majestic Uluru. It is the largest installation to date by Bruce Munro and his team installing more than 50,000 slender solar powered stems crowned with radiant frosted glass spheres. It is truly a magical sight to behold.

Experience this:

The Field of Light

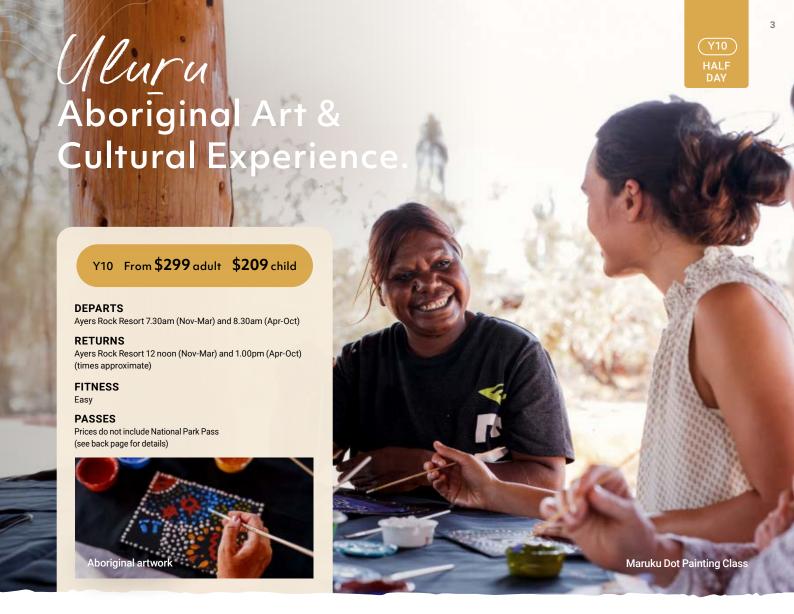
Rise before the sun to travel the short distance to a desert location overlooking Uluru. Your Driver Guide will provide insights and background into this emotive and unique desert art installation. Under the cover of darkness, you're invited to wander through the pathways that encompass the 50,000 spheres of light in colours of ochre, deep violet, blue and gentle white.

Private dune top viewing

Make your way up the hill to the dune top viewing area. Watch the amazing transformation of colours and life as the Red Centre awakens, while enjoying tea, coffee or hot chocolate.

Sunrise over the Red Centre

You'll have an incredible view through stunning desert landscape as the sun rises over the Red Centre. As the natural light brightens the landscape, the Field of Light will dim for the day. Capture some amazing photos from this unique raised location, which allows you to view both Uluru and Kata Tjuta in all their natural glory.





Experience the oldest continuous living culture on earth with an Anangu (Aboriginal) guide and interpreter. Learn how the Anangu live in this extraordinary environment and connected with the land, as your guides share traditional stories passed down from elders and also interpret rock art. While learning the art of dot painting you will create your own story to take home.

Experience this:

Palya (hello and goodbye)

When your guide greets you, you in return can say 'palya' (pronounced Pa-li-ya).

Drive around Uluru

Your guide will point out important Aboriginal landmarks of Ulu<u>r</u>u.

The A<u>n</u>angu

Your guide is Anangu (pronounced arn-ung-oo) and is part of the Mutitjulu community, the traditional owners of Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park.

Pitjantjatjara and Yankunytjatjara

These are the languages of the Anangu. Your guide will speak to you in Pitjantjatjara during the tour, your interpreter will translate into English.

Mala Walk

Enter the caves where the Mala (rufous hare-wallaby) people camped when they first arrived at Ulu<u>r</u>u and see the kitchen cave where they prepared their meals.

The Mala people

They are the Anangu's ancestors, and their story is one of the most important of the Tjukurpa (the foundation of Anangu culture).

$Ulu\underline{r}u\text{-}Kata\ T\underline{j}u\underline{t}a\ Cultural\ Centre$

You're free to visit the galleries and café, and to read about the history, flora and fauna of the park.

Dot Painting Class

Join Maruku's local Anangu artists for a fun introduction to the unique desert art form, dot painting. Be inspired as you learn about the symbols and painting styles used to create beautiful works of art.





The early rise is well worth it as you experience the two major landmarks in Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park. Start with an amazing sunrise at Talinguru Nyakunytjaku, the Uluru sunrise viewing area. Afterwards, on the 45 kms drive to Kata Tjuta your Driver Guide will provide you with an historical overview of the National Park. The walk through the sheer walls of Walpa Gorge won't disappoint as you're led into a world of rare plant species and lush evergreen scrubs.

Experience this:

Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park

This is your destination for unforgettable sights.

Uluru Sunrise

Witness an inspiring Red Centre sunrise.

Refreshments

Enjoy a warming cup of tea, coffee or hot chocolate as the dawn creeps across the desert plain and lights up Uluru.

Outback scenery

On your way to Kata Tjuta, your Driver Guide will provide insight into the history and geology of this ancient land.

Kata Tju<u>t</u>a

Arrive at the 36 steep-sided domes, the other icon of Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park.

Walpa Gorge

Meaning 'wind' in the local Aboriginal language, a breeze will accompany you as you explore the gorge.

Sheer gorge walls

Follow the path between two of the tallest domes of Kata Tjuta, to a lush oasis in the desert.

Rare plants

Admire mulla mulla plants and spearwood trees at the end of the gorge.

Dune Viewing Platform

From here enjoy a panoramic view of the southern side of Kata Tjuta, and see Uluru on the distant horizon.

Language devices in German, Italian, Spanish, French and Mandarin, are available on this tour.

What to bring

Water bottle to hold 1 litre, hat, sunscreen, fly-net in summer months, enclosed walking shoes, warm layers in cooler months.





Join your Driver Guide on a 10.5 kms walk around the entire base of Uluru. Along your journey of discovery, enjoy a light breakfast as you begin to absorb the enormity and beauty of your surroundings. Visit sacred sites and view Aboriginal rock art. After rainfall, the vision of a waterfall in a desert setting is really something to see, as the water flows from the side of Uluru and plunges into Kantju Gorge.

Experience this:

Light breakfast

Enjoy this with tea, coffee or hot chocolate.

Red Centre Sunrise

Immerse yourself in the sounds of the desert awakening, as you walk around the base of Uluru.

Kuniya Walk

Begin your 10.5 kms walk here, a sacred site for the Anangu.

Mala Walk

Continue around the base of Uluru to the Mala Walk, one of the most important habitation areas for the local Aboriginal people over thousands of years.

Ka<u>n</u>tju Gorge

View the tallest waterfall in Central Australia here.

Creation Stories

On the Lungkata Walk your guide will tell you the Tjukurpa (stories) of the Mala people and the cheeky blue-tongue lizard.

Mu<u>t</u>itjulu Waterhole

This was once an important water source for the Anangu. Your guide will explain the natural features of the landscape, Aboriginal rock art and relay more traditional stories relating to this place.









View an outback sunrise at Kata Tjuta and walk with your Guide to the Valley of the Winds. Hear fascinating stories of the geology, flora and fauna of Kata Tjuta. This incredible formation of rock domes extends six kilometres into the ground and is the remains of erosion that began more than 500 million years ago. The 5.4 kms walk to Valley of the Winds takes you down into a timeless haven within the domes through creek beds.

Experience this:

First in

Be one of the first to enter Ulu<u>r</u>u-Kata Tju<u>t</u>a National Park today.

Outback Scenery

On your way to Kata Tjuta, your Driver Guide will provide insight into the history and geology of this ancient land.

Dune Viewing Platform

From here enjoy a panoramic view of the southern side of Kata Tjuta, and see Uluru on the distant horizon.

Light breakfast

Enjoy this with tea, coffee or hot chocolate.

Kata Tjuta Sunrise

Watch the dawn creep across the desert plain and light up the domes.

Karu lookout

Join your Guide for the walk to this first lookout; Hear about the significance of the area to the Anangu and see how they used the natural landscape for all their needs over thousands of years.

Valley of the Winds

Continuing the 5.4 kms challenging walk with your Guide to Karingana, the second lookout, and enjoy spectacular views into the heart of this sacred site.

A minimum moderate level of fitness is essential for this tour. If you're unsure, we recommend you consider our Uluru Sunrise and Kata Tjuta tour (Y14) on page 4.





Sit back and relax as you travel into Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park. Your Driver Guide will provide expert commentary while you enjoy the amazing surroundings and the sight of Uluru in the distance. As you approach, you'll be overwhelmed by its incredible size, presence and inherent spirituality.

Experience this:

$Ulu\underline{r}u ext{-}Kata\,Tju\underline{t}a\,National\,Park$

This is your destination for the must-see sights.

Uluru Sunset

Stroll around the viewing area to discover your own spot to watch the sunset.

Enjoy sparkling wine or beer and nibbles

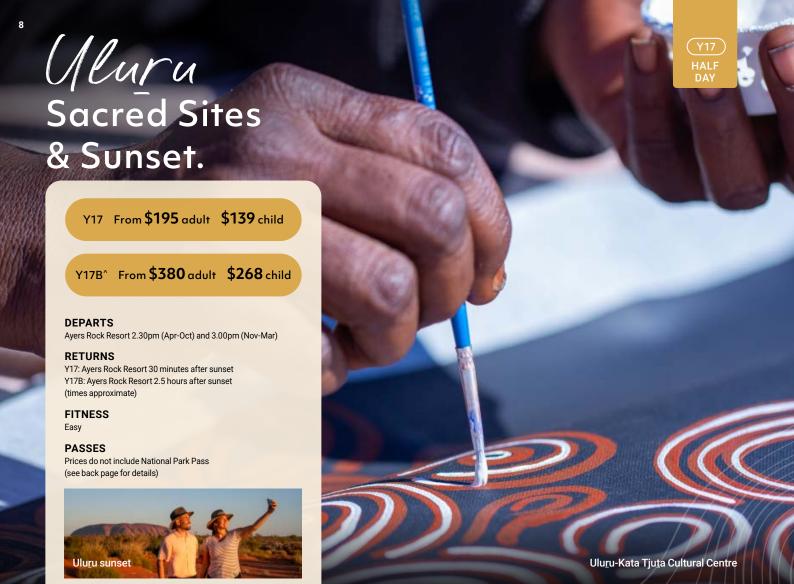
And absorb the enormity and beauty of your surroundings.

If you wish to take home Aboriginal artwork, please ensure you have cash for your purchases at the sunset viewing area. Please note the purchase of artwork is not always possible The Anangu may be absent for cultural reasons.

^Optional Add-on

Tour + Barbecue Dinner under the Stars (Y11B)

After sunset continue to our exclusive venue for a barbecue dinner, with Uluru as your backdrop. Relax in the company of friends and fellow travellers and enjoy sparkling wine on arrival and dine on a variety of meats and a selection of freshly prepared salads, followed by a tasty dessert. There's even time for star gazing. Your guide will conduct a tour of the night sky, pointing out some of the visible constellations, and will also explain some Aboriginal stories that relate to the stars.





Travel in the comfort of your coach around the base of Uluru with your Driver Guide who will provide details on its incredible history. You'll be fascinated by the Aboriginal stories that go back many thousands of years. Learn the significance of ancient Aboriginal rock art, about the area's flora and fauna, and culture of its traditional owners, the Anangu. Your day concludes with a spectacular sunset at Uluru.

Experience this:

Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park

This is your destination for the must-see sights.

Uluru-Kata Tjuta Cultural Centre

You're free to visit the galleries and café, and to read about the history, flora and fauna of the park.

Mu<u>t</u>itjulu Waterhole

Take a short walk at the base of Ulu<u>r</u>u with your Driver Guide.

Aboriginal Rock Art

View these ancient paintings and hear stories of traditional Anangu life.

Uluru Sunset

Enjoy sparkling wine or beer and nibbles as you view the iconic sunset.

If you wish to take home Aboriginal artwork, please ensure you have cash for your purchases at the sunset viewing area. Please note the purchase of artwork is not always possible. The Anangu may be absent for cultural reasons.

Language devices in German, Italian, Spanish, French and Mandarin, are available on this tour.

^Optional Add-on

Tour + Barbecue Dinner under the Stars (Y17B)

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What to bring

Water bottle to hold 1 litre, hat, sunscreen, fly-net in summer months, enclosed walking shoes, warm layers in cooler months.





This tour takes you to the inspiring red-hued sedimentary rock domes of Kata Tjuta to watch the sunset. They are thought to have originally been one huge piece of rock, much like Uluru, that has weathered over millions of years to become an intriguing series of individual formations. As evening approaches, each passing minute brings something new as the domes continue to change colour with the setting sun.

Experience this:

Kata Tjuta

Travel out to the 36 steep-sided domes, the hidden gem of Central Australia.

Outback scenery

Along the way your Driver Guide will provide an overview of the area's history, flora and fauna.

Kata Tju<u>t</u>a Sunset

Enjoy a sparkling wine or beer and nibbles as you view the magnificent outback sunset. Return to the resort In time for dinner.





Kings Canyon



Y19 From \$319 adult \$225 child

DEPARTS

Ayers Rock Resort 4.00am (Oct-Mar), 4.30am (Apr-Sep)

Ayers Rock Resort 5.00pm (Oct-Mar), 5.30pm (Apr-Sep) (times approximate)

views of the canyon rim.

FITNESS

Rim Walk - difficult Creek Bed Walk - easy

INCLUSIONS

Cooked Breakfast

PASSES

Prices do not include NT Parks Pass (see back page for details)





Experience this:

Outback scenery

Travel through the desert plains on your way to Kings Canyon.

Kings Creek Station

Stop here for a cooked breakfast.

Kings Canyon

Join your Guide for the six-kilometre walk to the rim of the canyon and learn about the history and geology of the region as well as the flora and fauna.

Garden of Eden

Visit this permanent water source and enjoy spectacular views across Watarrka National Park (time permitting and swimming not permitted).

Creek Bed Walk

For a more leisurely experience, take this walk with your Driver Guide for spectacular views of the sheer cliff face at the far end of the canyon.

Optional Scenic Flight

If you're doing the Creek Bed Walk, there's time for a scenic helicopter flight over the canyon (own expense and subject to availability).

Kings Canyon Resort

Time out for lunch (own expense).

Refreshing swim

If you're doing the Creek Bed Walk, pack your swimmers for a dip at Kings Canyon Resort pool.

What to bring

Water bottle to hold 3 litres for the Rim Walk or 11/2 litres for the Creek Bed Walk, hat, sunscreen, fly-net in summer months, enclosed walking shoes, warm layers in cooler months.

Uluru Sightseeing Passes

Now you've seen everything, why not buy a bundle of tours – and save on the cost of individual tours!

Your pass is valid for 3 consecutive days from the start of your first tour and includes the Ulu<u>r</u>u-Kata Tju<u>t</u>a National Park Pass. This brochure contains each of the tours in these Sightseeing Passes; simply look for the tour names.



Active

If staying active and immersing yourself in the natural environment are an important part of your holiday experience, our Active Pass is for you. Our Three Day Active Pass includes an 10.5 kms fascinating guided walk around the base of Uluru and a 5.4 kms spectacular Valley of the Winds walk, so we suggest a moderate level of fitness.

Ochre Pass

3 Day Pass Includes:

Kata Tjuta Sunset (Y8) +
Kata Tjuta Sunrise & Valley of the Winds (Y50) +
Uluru Sunset (Y11) +
Uluru Morning Guided Base Walk (Y40)

Add on Ulu<u>r</u>u BBQ. Ask us for details.

Pass including Kings Canyon from \$985 (Y5C)

Leisurely

If you prefer a little more comfort, combined with gentle walks while taking in the natural surrounds, we suggest our Leisurely Passes. Our luxury air-conditioned coach will take you from point to point and our Driver Guide will then walk you into the culturally significant areas. A low level of fitness is suitable.



Wiru Pass 2 Day Pass Includes:

Ulu<u>r</u>u Sacred Sites & Sunset (Y17) + Ulu<u>r</u>u Sunrise & Field of Light (FOL)

Add on Uluru BBQ. Ask us for details.



Piti Pass 2 Day Pass Includes:

Uluru Sacred Sites & Sunset (Y17) + Uluru Sunrise & Kata Tjuta (Y14)

Add on Uluru BBQ. Ask us for details. Pass including Kings Canyon from \$725 (Y3C)



Manta Pass

3 Day Pass Includes:

Uluru Sacred Sites & Sunset (Y17) + Kata Tjuta Sunset (Y8) + Uluru Sunrise & Field of Light (FOL)

Add on Uluru BBQ. Ask us for details.





In the morning you're headed for the beautiful West MacDonnell Ranges. Along the way your Driver Guide will point out significant landmarks and share details of the region's history and rich culture. In this scenery packed itinerary, you'll visit the iconic sites of Simpsons Gap and Angkerle Atwatye (Standley Chasm). Learn how the town of Alice Springs has evolved into the central hub of the Australian outback. Visit historical sites and some of the essential services delivered from Alice to the community of this vast region.

Experience this:

West MacDonnell Ranges

They stretch over 600 kms east and west of Alice Springs.

John Flynn's Grave

Just out of Alice Springs is the resting place for the ashes of the founder of the Royal Flying Doctor Service.

Simpsons Gap

Walk through the towering cliffs to the waterhole, keeping an eye out for black-footed rock wallabies.

Angkerle Atwatye (Standley Chasm)

Walk along its stony watercourse, where you may see some bird and wildlife that inhabit the area.

Alice Springs origins

Hear how Alice Springs began as a radio repeater station along the Overland Telegraph Line.

School of the Air

This provides education to primary-aged children living in remote areas.

Telegraph Station

The site of first European settlement in Alice Springs, that relayed messages between Darwin and Adelaide for 60 years.

Royal Flying Doctor Service

It delivers medical services to those living in remote areas.

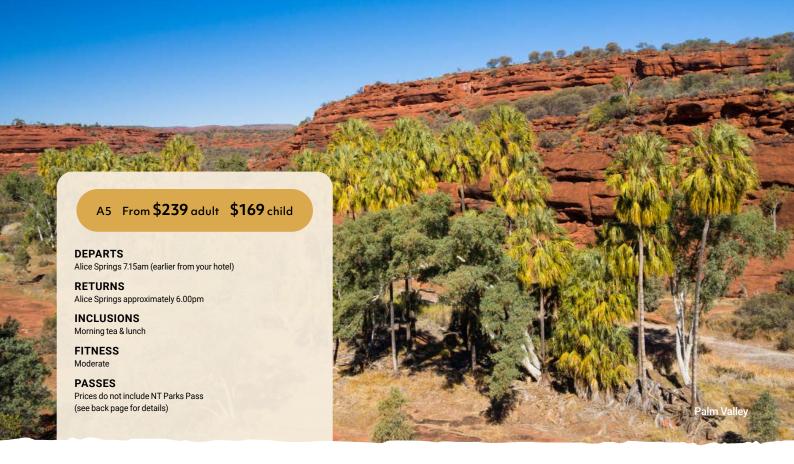
Reptile Centre

Encounter goannas, frill-neck lizards and Terry the saltwater crocodile.

Anzac Hill

Drive to the top for a panoramic view over Alice and the West MacDonnell Ranges.

Palm Valley Safari by 4WD.





Go off-road in a custom-designed 4WD vehicle and reach destinations that are otherwise difficult to access. Through the Central Australian landscape, we'll take you down the very edge of the Finke River and into the amazing Palm Valley. You'll see the important sights and visit an Aboriginal community, Hermannsburg, known to the local Arrente people as 'Ntaria'.

Experience this:

Finke Gorge National Park

Discover the ancient landscapes of this important wilderness reserve that protects one of the oldest rivers in the world; it is home to ancient landscapes and Aboriginal cultural sites.

Into Palm Valley

Arrive in the oasis of Palm Valley, the only area in Central Australia where red cabbage palms survive.

Amazing natural features

From your 4WD and on foot, you'll be amazed by the enormous rock formations, pinnacles, gorges and endless palm trees.

Lunch

Enjoy a picnic lunch in Finke Gorge National Park and hear about the park's cultural significance for the Arrernte people.

Historic Precinct

Visit Hermannsburg Aboriginal Community, the birthplace of artist Albert Namatjira. View amazing artworks at the gallery and explore the historic buildings.



Learn how the town of Alice Springs has evolved into the central hub of the Australian outback. Visit historical sites and some of the essential services delivered from Alice to

the community of this vast region. The traditional custodians of the land are the Arrernte people, who refer to Alice as 'Mpwante'.

Experience this:

School of the Air

Call into the School of the Air which provides education to primary school children living on remote properties in the Northern Territory.

Explore the Telegraph Station

The first European settlement in Alice Springs, and learn how it relayed messages between Darwin and Adelaide for 60 years.

Visit the headquarters of the Royal Flying Doctor Service

Which delivers medical services to those who live and work in remote rural Australia.

Encounter reptiles

Visit Alice Springs Reptile Centre, home to the largest reptile display in Central Australia, where you'll have lots of fun, particularly during the show.

Enjoy panoramic views

Over Alice and the surrounding West MacDonnell Ranges, from the top of Anzac Hill.

What to bring

Enclosed walking shoes, fly-net in summer months, warm layers in cooler months.

^Optional Add-on

Tour + Alice Springs Desert Park (A3D)

Before your tour of the town, why not immerse yourself in the beauty of the Central Australian desert at the Alice Springs Desert Park? It's home to a vast range of plants and wildlife native to the area. You can really experience the beauty and diversity of this incredible landscape. The Arrernte people, traditional owners of the park, are also on hand to share their local wisdom and knowledge.





The panoramic landscapes of the West MacDonnell Ranges are extraordinary for their immensity and array of sunburnt oranges, maroons and purples. The Aranda people

refer to them as Tjoritja (pronounced Choor-it-ja). It's home to threatened species including the central rock-rat and long-tailed dunnart as well as others like the black-footed rock-wallaby.

Experience this:

Enjoy panoramic landscapes

The West MacDonnell Ranges are home to some of Central Australia's most spectacular scenery, including some amazing waterholes and hidden gorges.

View spectacular outback scenery

Take photos as we travel along through magnificent Outback Country, stopping at the many historic locations, including Flynn's Grave Memorial.

Enjoy beautiful walks

Explore both Simpsons Gap and Angkerle Atwatye (Standley Chasm) (morning tea stop). After morning tea, return to Alice Springs.

What to bring

Enclosed walking shoes, fly-net in summer months, warm layers in cooler months.



From **\$225** adult **\$159** child

Ayers Rock Resort to Alice Springs

Travel from Ayers Rock Resort through spectacular desert scenery. Pass through Curtin Springs Cattle Station and see Atila (Mt. Conner), often mistaken for Uluru. Stop at Erldunda roadhouse, located at the junction of the Stuart and Lasseter Highways, where you may purchase afternoon tea. Continue along the Stuart Highway before arriving at your hotel in Alice Springs.

DEPARTS

12.30pm (Oct-Mar) 1.00pm (Apr-Sep)

ARRIVES

7.00pm approximately (Oct-Mar) 7.30pm approximately (Apr-Sep)



Ayers Rock Resort to Kings Canyon

Travel through spectacular desert scenery, passing through Curtin Springs Station, viewing Atila (Mt. Conner) and stopping for a cooked breakfast at Kings Creek Station. Along the way, your Driver Guide will provide informative commentary about the history of the surrounding cattle stations. You'll arrive at Kings Canyon Resort in time for lunch (own expense).

DEPARTS

4.00am (Oct-Mar) 4.30am (Apr-Sep)

ARRIVES

9.00am approximately (Oct-Mar) 9.30am approximately (Apr-Sep)





From \$265 adult \$189 child



From \$195 adult \$139 child

Kings Canyon to Ayers Rock Resort

Travel through beautiful desert landscapes. View breathtaking Atila (Mt. Conner), a significant sacred site often mistaken for Uluru, as you pass through Curtin Springs, a working cattle station operated by the same family since 1956. Look out for wild camels that inhabit the area, before arriving at Ayers Rock Resort.

DEPARTS

1.00pm (Oct-Mar) 1.30pm (Apr-Sep)

ARRIVES

5.00pm approximately (Oct-Mar) 5.30pm approximately (Apr-Sep)



Alice Springs to Ayers Rock Resort

Travel from Alice Springs through the rugged desert landscapes of the Red Centre. Along the way your Driver Guide will provide informative commentary. Stop at a local roadhouse for a quick break, and then continue through the ever-changing scenery. View Atila (Mt. Conner), often mistaken for Ulu<u>r</u>u, before arriving at Ayers Rock Resort.

DEPARTS

From 6.15am

ARRIVES

1.00pm approximately



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Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park Pass: The cost of the Pass must be added to the prices in this brochure, where indicated. The cost is \$38 per adult. Children 17 years and under are free of charge. It is valid for 3 consecutive days. When taking multiple Day Tours over 3 consecutive days in the National Park you only need to pay the cost once.

NT Parks Pass (separate from Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park Pass): The cost of the Pass must be added to the prices in this brochure, where indicated. The cost is \$10 per adult/\$5 per child for each park for each day. These are additional compulsory government charges and are subject to change without notice. You must carry your Pass with you every time you enter the National Parks or you will be required to purchase another. For details on the NT National Park Passes visit: aatkings.com/park-passes