

Ernabella Arts

Delve into the creative heart of indigenous Australia, its history and rich ancient culture on this full day 'road trip' to the remote Pukatja homelands to visit the colourful arts hub of **Ernabella Arts**.

Quite literally get off the beaten track and take in the vast open spaces of the outback as you head down the Lasseter Highway. Learn about the remote cattle stations of the area including **Curtin Springs**, owned and operated by the Severin family since 1956. Take in the vista of **Mount Conner** and see for yourself why it's often mistaken for Uluru. Continue across the border to South Australia and as the landscape changes, perhaps catch a glimpse of some unexpected wildlife.

Pukatja is one of the 13 homeland communities that make up the APY (Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara) lands. These encompass the beauty of the Musgrave Ranges and as you journey around your guide will provide insight into the significance of The APY and what it means to the Anangu.

Established in 1948, Ernabella Arts is the oldest, continuously running indigenous arts centre in Australia. Today its varied group of artists is a mix of young and old, men and women who continue to evolve the centre from its first incarnation as a craft room, into a culturally strong contemporary art centre producing works in a variety of mediums drawing world-wide acclaim.

By special arrangement, Longitude 131° guests are able to visit the closed community to **meet the artists** and gain insight into the ancient techniques and stories which form the basis of their artworks and understand the indigenous symbols used by the artists to depict their *Tjukurpa* (sacred stories of country and law), providing inspiration to **create your very own ceramic tile**.

Before heading back to Longitude 131°, take a walk around the gallery with a local artist to peruse the current exhibition and perhaps find a unique souvenir to take home as a memento of the experience.

Tariff: \$1,000 per person **Maximum:** 4 passengers

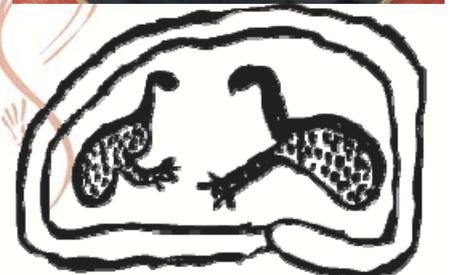
Duration: Full Day **What to Bring:** Camera, hat, sunscreen, comfortable shoes, backpack

Please Note:

- Seasonal operation during the winter months only.
- Minimum of 2 persons for tour to operate by road or air.
- Ernabella is a closed, conservative community, we ask that modest clothing is worn on tour.
- The round-trip involves a total of 7 hours driving, 2.5 hours in the Ernabella studio and picnic morning tea and lunch during the drive.
- There is limited access to toilet facilities during the tour.

Recommendation:

To maximise both time and experience, consider combining the visit to Ernabella Arts with a scenic aircraft transfer. Fixed wing options commence from \$2,000 per aircraft, return.



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