EXPERIENCES & ADVENTURES FACT SHEET

Treasured as Australia’s spiritual heart, the dual World Heritage-listed Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park is an ancient desert landscape widely known as the ‘Red Centre’. Domed by a deep blue sky and spanning a vast expanse of the Northern Territory, the outback’s rugged beauty is heightened by the living presence of one of the world’s largest monoliths, Uluru (Ayers Rock) and the sacred red domes of Kata Tjuta (The Olgas) which stand nearby.

With Longitude 131° as luxury basecamp, guests are guided on an itinerary of signature excursions allowing an intimate encounter with the region’s iconic natural attractions. Stories of the land’s traditional custodians shared along each of the tours add a personal education of the local landscape and culture to the experience. Expeditions are shared with fellow guests and operate on a rotating basis dependant on day of arrival and weather permitting. Scheduled timing is subject to sunrise and sunset times which vary throughout the year according to the Red Centre’s distinct seasons.

Seasons of the Red Centre

The region’s semi-arid climate produces great travelling conditions. Warm, sunny days with minimal rainfall are the norm for much of the year. Typical desert weather patterns make for reasonable fluctuations in temperature between day and night. During the summer months, average temperatures range from 35°C during the day to 18°C overnight. In the winter months, the average daytime temperature is 22°C and 0°C overnight.

Typical 3 Night Experiences Program (Classic Uluru)

Recommended stay to enjoy both lodge and destination.

Day 1  Day 2  Day 3  Day 4
Signature Welcome  Walpa Gorge & Kata Tjuta  Mutitjulu Meander  Morning at Leisure
Uluru Sunset & Field of Light  Mala Walk & Kantju Gorge  Optional Bespoke Experience*  Or Optional Bespoke Experience*
Table 131°  Dune House Dinner  Dune-top Dining*  Palya – Departure
*Additional charges apply

Signature Experiences (Included)

These experiences are provided on an intimate shared basis with fellow guests at scheduled times. Private touring can be arranged at additional cost subject to availability.

Uluru Sunset

Capture the changing lights reflected over Uluru’s many faces as the sun slips down below the horizon, chilled glass and canapé in hand. The essential outback experience!

Field of Light

Experience Bruce Munro’s internationally acclaimed art phenomenon, Field of Light. Created from 50,000 bud-like stems and crowned with radiant frosted-glass spheres, the installation blooms and appears to sway as darkness descends over Australia’s spiritual heartland. Arrive at dusk and meander around the field before enjoying the cool night skies at Table 131°. The solar-powered exhibition lights up the outback until December 31, 2020.

Table 131°

Dine out and discover the wonders of the night sky at an exclusive venue among the dunes. Enjoy the sense of natural theatre over four courses complemented with fine Australian wines. Later, the Lodge guide regales the gathering with tales of the Southerly constellations. Table 131° operates subject to weather and climatic conditions.

Walpa Gorge & Kata Tjuta

Explore the impressive formation of Kata Tjuta on a walk through Walpa Gorge and discover how eons of weathering and continental upheaval have created today’s landscape. Afterwards, visit the Cultural Centre where informative and interactive displays provide insight into the spiritual and cultural meanings of Uluru and Kata Tjuta.

Mala Walk & Kantju Gorge

Join the Lodge guide for a gentle walk along a portion of Uluru’s base and learn about the history of the Mala people, viewing cave paintings and other relevant sites important to both Apangu and the early explorers. Enter Kantju Gorge at dusk to witness the rock walls ablaze with the light of the setting sun. Revel in the silence and solitude with sunset drinks and canapés.
Mutitjulu Meander

Discover peaceful Mutitjulu Waterhole and the sacred site of Kuniya Piti as the sun lights up the ancient monolith. Listen as the Longitude 131° guide shares the Anangu creation story of Kuniya and Liru, adding greater depth to Uluru’s striking features.

Signature Experiences may be enjoyed on a private basis for an additional fee, subject to availability.

Bespoke Experiences  (Additional Charges Apply)

An additional menu of Bespoke Experiences offers further exploration and the chance to tailor a special interest itinerary.

Dune Top Dining

Dine under the stars on the Dune Top in one of four secluded alcoves, custom-designed for privacy. Perfect for a romantic interlude or intimate gathering of friends.  (Dining bookings must be arranged in advance, subject to availability and weather conditions; minimum 2, maximum 4 guests).

Dawn & Dusk Private Expeditions

Sunrise Silhouettes

Witness the sunrise from the north-west side of Uluru, creating a dramatic contrast between light and shadow. A favourite for photographers.  
Tour duration: 2 hours

Sunrise & Uluru Base Walk

Arrive as the early morning sun reaches Uluru and fuel up on breakfast before heading off to walk around the base of the monolith. Cultural stories shared along the way add meaningful insight to the journey.  
Tour duration: 5 hours

Talinguru Nyakunytjaku (TN) Sunset

Take advantage of the sunrise viewing location to witness the transition of Uluru and Kata Tjuta as the night sky descends. The perfect spot to enjoy an outback sundowner.  
Tour duration: 2 hours

Guided Adventure Hikes & Walks

From an energising trek to an informative walk, Longitude 131° offers an optional range of privately guided expeditions exploring the vast desert frontier.

Valley of the Winds Walk - Kata Tjuta

Renowned as the best day hike in the region, the challenging trail traverses rocky terrain, creeks and canyons leading to a spectacular natural amphitheater, the Valley of the Winds.  
Tour duration: 5 hours

Karingana Lookout - Kata Tjuta

Hike up to Karingana lookout and take in the breathtaking views out over the Valley of the Winds. Capture the rugged yet peaceful outlook from this high vantage point.  
Tour duration: 4 hours

Karu Lookout - Kata Tjuta

If time is of the essence, this short section of the Valley of the Winds walk naturally showcases the gateway to the valleys beyond, offering a sense of the enormous domes and their grandeur.  
Tour duration: 3 hours

Uluru Base Walk

Circumnavigate the base of Uluru, wandering through acacia woodlands and grassed claypans. Head off the main track to discover Mutitjulu Waterhole and Kantju Gorge and marvel at the rock’s astounding features up-close.  
Tour duration: 4 hours  
Alternatively, the above walks may be undertaken unguided, with transfers facilitated by the Lodge (additional charge applies).

Kings Canyon – by Road or Air

Many believe a visit to the Red Centre isn’t complete without exploring Kings Canyon. Located in Watarrka National Park (4 hours’ drive from Uluru each way), some planning is required to ensure a comfortable experience.

Private Day Tour by Road (4WD): Join the lodge guide for a full day road trip taking in the vast desert landscape, guided Rim Walk and picnic lunch.  
Tour duration: 11 hours. Seasonal operation during the winter months only. Pre-booking recommended.

Private Day Tour by Air: Lift off in a private helicopter or charter a light plane for a cross-country aerial journey taking in Lake Amadeus en route to majestic Kings Canyon. Please note, in the summer months when heat is extreme these tours depart in the early hours of the morning.
Private Touring – Plan Your Own

Many guests value the option of private touring with a personal guide. Follow the signature program or design a personal itinerary – subject to availability, Longitude 131° can tailor an exceptional program. Half or full day private touring is available at an additional cost and pre-booking is essential.

Private Transfers

Private transfers to and from the National Park icons are available for those who wish to stay on after scheduled experiences to Uluru and Kata Tjuta. Perfect for the keen and confident walker. (Additional Charges Apply)

Adventure Operators (Additional Charges Apply)

Longitude 131° works closely with local specialist operators providing adventure options such as camel rides, motorcycle tours, scenic helicopter or plane flights and outback cycling.

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<td>Join a camel train through red dune country, with Uluru and Kata Tjuta as a stunning backdrop. Most popular at sunrise and sunset, tours are guided by cameleers who love to share the animals’ quirky names and stories.</td>
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<td>Feel the rush of travelling down the highway on the back of an authentic Harley Davidson and cruise through Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park on a bike or trike.</td>
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<td>Take adventure to new heights, lifting off from the lodge’s helipad on a range of scenic flights. Most popular, the 30 minute aerial tour of Uluru and Kata Tjuta – recommended as an exhilarating arrival or departure experience.</td>
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<td>Soar high above the desert and see the outback from a spectacular new angle. Choose from a range of light plane adventures taking in the region’s iconic natural attractions or travel further afield to Lake Amadeus and Kings Canyon.</td>
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<td>Jump on a mountain bike and cycle the 15 kilometre path around the base of Uluru. It’s a unique adventure on two wheels. Limited operation in the summer months.</td>
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<td>Discover Uluru... differently! Quietly and effortlessly cruise around the base of the monolith on a fully guided segway tour.</td>
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Indigenous Art (Additional Charges Apply)

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<th><strong>Ernabella Arts Tour – by 4WD or Air</strong></th>
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<td>Delve into the creative heart of indigenous Australia on this trip to the remote, colourful hub of Ernabella Arts. Cross the border into South Australia to visit the normally closed community and meet the talented group of artists in the studio. Gain insight into the stories and techniques at the foundation of their artworks and create a ceramic tile to take home. Operated on a private basis the experience is best combined with a scenic air transfer (also option to undertake the journey by road). Tour duration 10 hours by 4WD or up to 6.5 hours by air. Seasonal operation during the winter months only. Pre-booking recommended.</td>
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<td>Nearby Ayers Rock Resort plays host to four art galleries displaying a variety of works inspired by the landscape of Central Australia. Mulgara Gallery and Wintjiri Gallery regularly run ‘Artist in Residence’ programs offering guests a wonderful opportunity to engage with the artists and hear the stories behind their craft. Longitude 131° offers a transfer on request to the galleries in Yulara’s town centre.</td>
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<td>Maruku Arts offers a fun introduction to Aboriginal art and the opportunity to learn about the symbols and painting styles used by local indigenous women in their artworks. Sit in the company of the ladies and with their guidance, create a take-home artwork.</td>
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SEIT Outback Australia offers exciting and innovative adventures throughout Central Australia, specialising in environmental and cultural experiences off the beaten track.

**Bush Tucker & Reptiles**
Discover the importance of traditional bush foods to the people of Central Australia. Walk through country, sample and prepare a selection of native seeds and attempt the technique of spear throwing. Join a shared tour or arrange a private guide – also includes wildlife watching.

**Kings Canyon Expedition**
Take a road trip to Watarrka National Park to visit the mighty Kings Canyon. Climb the escarpment for magnificent views and follow the Rim Walk passing beehive-like sandstone domes, a haven for more than 600 species of plants and a variety of birdlife.

**Mount Conner 4WD Outback Adventure**
Situated on the vast, fully operational cattle station of Curtin Springs Station, this four wheel drive experience includes a visit to Mount Conner and concludes with a country-style dinner at the pub. Join the shared scheduled tour or undertake the adventure on a private basis.

**Indigenous Culture & Art Tour at Cave Hill**
In the company of local indigenous community members, marvel at the age-old rock art and gain insight into everyday Aboriginal life. Engage a private guide or join a scheduled tour for a shared sightseeing experience by 4WD or helicopter.

**Patji – Indigenous Guided Cultural Experience**
Join the traditional ‘Uluru’ family on their homelands for a first-hand experience of indigenous culture. Gain insight into the families’ history and their part in events of the recent past. This activity can be undertaken on a private or shared tour basis.

**Lunch Atop Mount Conner**
The impressive peak of Mount Conner is often mistaken for Uluru. Land on top of the bluff by helicopter and enjoy a picnic lunch with panoramic outback views.

**Private Charters**
Discover the wonders of the outback without the crowds and tailor a special interest itinerary with a personal guide for any activities offered by SEIT Outback Australia.

**Language Resources**
Private itineraries are available with a naturalist guide fluent in French. In addition, an iPod resource with information translated into Chinese, French, German, Italian and Spanish is available for all Uluru and Kata Tjuta tours.