



Alice Springs and Beyond

Welcome to Alice Springs, with its modern and vibrant atmosphere, it's the perfect destination to explore the best the outback has to offer. The outback town is the hub of Central Australia and is rich with culture and Aboriginal heritage. Make this your first stop before heading out to explore the Red Centre.

Through red earth and rugged terrain, the lands beyond Alice Springs await. Marvel at the dramatic chasms and gorges of the MacDonnell Ranges. Take a dip in the permanent pool of Simpsons Gap, where you will spot rock wallabies in the rocky ridges. Catch a glimpse of Standley Chasm light up the midday sky with bright colours. For the ultimate cool down, swimming holes offer a refreshing relief at Ellery Creek Big Hole, Ormiston Gorge and Glen Helen Gorge.

Venture to the beautiful rugged landscape of Tennant Creek to discover the giant granite boulders of Karlu Karlu, also known as the Devils Marbles. Scattered through the valley, Karlu Karlu is a spectacular sight to see glowing red in the light of the early evening.

Uluru (Ayers Rock)

The massive sandstone monolith of Uluru is Australia's most recognisable natural icon, rising 348 metres above the desert plain and located about 335 kilometres south west of the nearest town, Alice Springs. Take a walking tour with the Anangu traditional landowners, where locals will share stories of their culture, wildlife, bush foods and Aboriginal Creation stories.

Further west, Kata Tjuta (The Olgas) offers more astounding sights. The 36 rock domes date back 500 million years. Tackle the challenging Valley of the Winds Walk. You'll reap the rewards when you see the breathtaking views over the desert plains of the Red Centre. For an easier pace, take a leisurely stroll at Walpa Gorge and walk through Kata Tjuta's enormous domes.

As the sun rises and sets over Australia's most famous rock formations, you won't want to be anywhere else.

Kings Canyon

Travel around 300 kilometres from Uluru or Alice Springs and you'll discover another of Central Australia's highlights. The 270 metre high chasm of Kings Canyon in Watarrka National Park. Trek through walking trails to palm-filled crevices and along the canyon rim to marvel at views across the desert. Spot native plants and wildlife as you go by foot through Kings Canyon. It's a must to add to the itinerary!

