



# Alice Springs, Uluru and Kings Canyon

## Red Centre Way

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**5 DAYS**  
**797 km**

658 km via  
Mereenie  
Loop  
(4WD only)



Ormiston Gorge  
Kings Canyon  
Uluru



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for details



### DAY ONE

#### Alice Springs to West MacDonnell Ranges

Start the Red Centre Way by driving west through the West MacDonnell National Park to witness a spectacular stretch of natural formations including chasms, gorges and desert waterholes. Explore Simpsons Gap, Standley Chasm, Ellery Creek and Ormiston Gorge just to name a few. Splash, hike or sit back in awe of the landscape – it's truly spectacular!

### DAY TWO

#### Alice Springs to Kings Canyon

If you are travelling by 4WD on the Mereenie Loop, continue on from the West Macdonnell Ranges until you come across the ancient impact crater called Gosse Bluff. Hike to the top where you can get spectacular views of the ridges made from the meteorite. Continue driving along the Meerenie Loop until you reach Kings Canyon (4WD only).

This is one of the best and most jam-packed iconic Aussie drives! Follow the Red Centre Way throughout Central Australia and visit the highlights while uncovering much more than the icons. You can do this trip as a loop, or simply take a one way journey to Uluru from Alice Springs or vice-versa. As a loop, the Mereenie adds a sense of adventure, but only if you have a 4WD.



Ormiston Gorge, Tjoritja/West MacDonnell National Park.



Uluru, Uluru Kata Tjuta National Park.



Kings Canyon, Watarrka National Park.

If commencing from Alice Springs with a 2WD, drive straight out to Kings Canyon via the Stuart and Lasseter Highways.

### DAY THREE

#### Explore Kings Canyon

Wake up early to explore the grand beauty of Watarrka National Park. The Kings Canyon Rim Walk is a three hour hike across 100m-high sandstone walls and ancient palm-filled crevices with stunning views of the arid surrounds. For those looking for a more relaxed option, the Kings Creek Walk provides equally breathtaking views from the canyon floor.

### DAY FOUR

#### Kings Canyon to Uluru

Leave the canyon and follow Luritja Road and Lasseter Highway to Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park. Along the way you will pass Mt Conner, commonly known as 'Fooluru', as it's often mistaken for Uluru. Do the unexpected and view the Lake Amadeus salt plains near the Mt Conner look out.

Stop off at Curtin Springs for a refreshing drink and a bite to eat. Once you arrive at Uluru, settle into your accommodation and then head out to one of the viewing platforms to witness the rock change colour at sunset.

### DAY FIVE AND SIX

#### Uluru and Kata Tjuta

See the icons at sunrise, sunset, on a camel or by bicycle. Listen to the local Anangu people as they tell their stories of the Dreamtime. Explore Kata Tjuta on the Valley of the Winds Walk and take in Uluru up-close on the Base Walk. Take your time exploring these icons of Australia's Outback.

You can chose to end your journey in Uluru, or return back to Alice Springs. A direct drive back to Alice Springs will take approximately five hours.

#### Food and drink:

**Erlunda Roadhouse** (via sealed road), **Curtin Springs, Ayers Rock Resort, Kings Creek Station, Kings Canyon Resort**

#### Accommodation:

**Curtin Springs, Kings Creek Station, Kings Canyon Resort, Ayers Rock Resort, Longitude 131°**

#### Tours and activities:

**West MacDonnell Ranges**, detour to **Hermannsburg, Finke River Adventures, free ranger guided activities, helicopter flights** over Kings Canyon and Uluru, **quad bike tours** at Kings Creek Station.



**Book your Tjoritja/West MacDonnell National and Watarrka National Park Passes:** [nt.gov.au/parks](http://nt.gov.au/parks)

**Book your Uluru Kata Tjuta National Park Pass:** [parksaustralia.gov.au/uluru/plan/passes](http://parksaustralia.gov.au/uluru/plan/passes)



\*You will need a permit to travel the Mereenie Loop. [discovercentralaustralia.com/visitor-information/driving-permits](http://discovercentralaustralia.com/visitor-information/driving-permits)