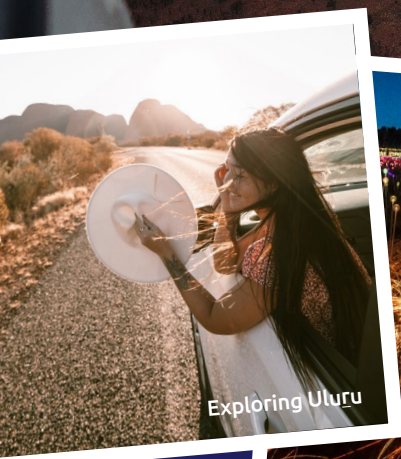




# Uluru & surrounds

## Three-day itinerary



Uluru Helicopter Tour



See Australia's most iconic landmark from every angle – by foot, camel, double-decker bus, bicycle, on the back of a Harley or from the air.

No matter which you choose, the view of Uluru will not disappoint, particularly at sunrise or sunset. With three days you can really experience all the serenity and majesty of Uluru, discover the beauty of Kata Tjuta and its magnificent panoramic views, and learn of the areas significance to the local Anangu people.



\*Driving time is estimated from Yulara.

### DAY 1

Start your day at the Uluru-Kata Tjuta Cultural Centre to find out more about the Park, activities and the local Aboriginal culture. The Anangu people are Uluru's traditional custodians and have lived in the area for at least 22,000 years.

At the Cultural Centre you can purchase Anangu art, watch craft demonstrations, or join a bush tucker session and guided walk.

There are many ways to see Uluru. Check out **The Mala Walk**, which is wheelchair-friendly, and takes you to the caves of the Mala people and to the sacred Kantju Gorge, a quiet waterhole at the base of a dramatic rock face. Only 90 minutes (return), along the way you will also see examples of Anangu rock art and learn about their creation beliefs.

If you're feeling particularly adventurous, take to the skies on an adrenaline-pumping **skydive** to see the incredible size and features of Australia's most famous natural landmark. Soak up the panoramic views and take plenty of photos on a helicopter flight, or jump on the back of a **Harley Davidson motorcycle for an adventure ride** with spectacular views.

Places to stay are all within Ayers Rock Resort. Choose from self-contained apartments, hotels, a five-star luxury wilderness camp, backpacker rooms or a campground with sites and cabins. Make sure to visit the **Field of Light** – an incredible light installation designed by internationally renowned artist, Bruce Munro. Walk along a trail surrounded by more than 50,000 solar powered glowing stems and admire the scene under the desert night sky.

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### TOP 10

1. Visit the **Uluru Cultural Centre** to learn about the history of the Park and local Aboriginal culture
2. Enjoy the **Mala Walk** to the nearby waterhole at the base of Uluru
3. Get your adrenaline pumping and view the Outback landscape from above with a **skydive** or **scenic flight**
4. Jump on the back of a Harley for incredible views on the **ultimate thrill ride**
5. Take a **camel ride** at sunset or sunrise for the best times to snap the desert colours
6. Walk or **cycle** the entire 10.6km circuit and take your time enjoying Uluru from every angle
7. Dine under the stars at the impressive **Sounds of Silence** dinner
8. Stroll through the internationally renowned **Field of Light**
9. Hike the Valley of the Winds for a more adventurous challenge through **Kata Tjuta**
10. Enjoy a picnic by the sunset viewing area, and watch the ever changing colours of the red centre as the sun goes down







DAY 2

Try a different way to see the desert scenery at sunrise with multi-award winning **Uluru Camel Tours**. Climb atop and sit back as you take a leisurely pace while admiring the incredible views of the icons.

Explore the large red sand dunes in the cool, clear morning and watch the sun rise over Uluru. Your guides will point out the desert flora and fauna along the trail and prepare a breakfast of billy tea and freshly baked beer bread.

Take a stroll or hire a bike near the Cultural Centre, and circumnavigate Uluru on the 10.6 kilometre base walk, which is dotted with interpretive displays. It is a great way to see the many springs, waterholes, rock art caves and ancient paintings at Uluru's base.



DAY 3

Nearby is Kata Tjuṯa – a series of enormous rock domes that date back 500 million years. Start your morning early with a drive to the Kata Tjuṯa dune viewing area. Only a short walk from the carpark offers magnificent panoramic views of the domes and a relaxing place to sit and absorb the ever-changing colours of the landscape.



Continue on the road to Kata Tjuṯa and find out just how ancient and imposing the domes are by tackling one of the two popular walking tracks. The **Walpa Gorge Walk** is an easy walk which takes approximately an hour return and follows a stream to a grove of flourishing spearwood. The famed **Valley of the Winds** walk is a moderately difficult 7.4 kilometre circuit which weaves through the impressive domes and treats you to spectacular views over the desert plains from its two lookout points.

Finish off the evening at the sunset viewing area and observe the sun go down over the spectacular Central Australian landscape.

Make dinner memorable: the **Sounds of Silence** is a unique dining experience that starts on a sand dune with a glass of sparkling wine and canapés, and a 360-degree view of the sun setting over Uluru and the domes of Kata Tjuṯa. Enjoy your next course, a gourmet barbecue of barramundi, kangaroo, crocodile, bush salads and classic desserts, complemented by Australian wines and followed by an Aboriginal dance performance. Coffee and tea is served with an explanation of the night sky, guided by the resident 'star talker'.

