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Uluru-Kata Tjuta

at a glance

348 metres of sandstone in the middle of the desert, 36 domes beside it – and a park that belongs to the Anangu.

10.6 km

LENGTH
loop

about 3.5

DURATION
hours

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BEFORE YOU GO



348 metres, 9.4 kilometres around

That is how high Uluru rises above the plain, and how far it is to walk around it. The rock is made of sandstone about 500 million years ...



36 domes, up to 546 metres

Kata Tjuta, formerly "the Olgas", lies 50 road kilometres to the west.



Flying to Ayers Rock (AYQ)

The airport is near Yulara.



May to September

Maximum temperatures are then usually between 20 and 30 °C (68 and 86 °F), there is hardly any rain, and walking is safer.



Climbing banned since 2019

The climb has been permanently closed since 26 October 2019, the 34th anniversary of the handback.



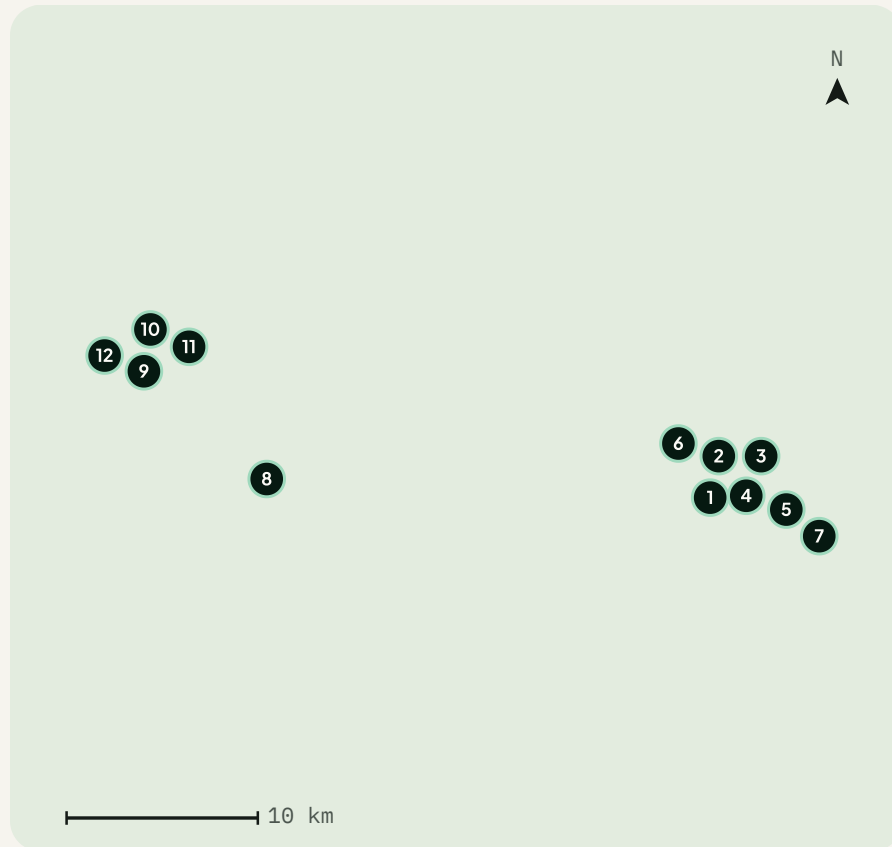
No photography at sensitive sites

Some places at Uluru and Kata Tjuta must not be photographed; signs mark them.



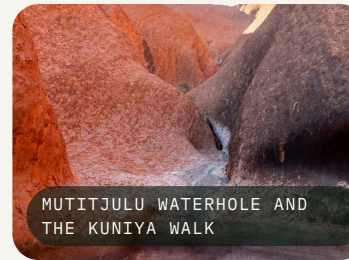
Fees and opening hours, up to date

Fees and times change. The park page lists them with source and date:
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MUTITJULU WATERHOLE AND THE KUNIYA WALK



TALINGURU NYAKUNYTJAKU: SUNRISE



KATA TJUTA

THINGS TO DO

Base Walk: 10.6 kilometres around the rock

The loop takes about 3.5 hours around the whole of Uluru.

Valley of the Winds: 7.4 kilometres

Steep, rocky, grade 4, three to four hours. A shorter option is Karu Lookout, 2.2 km return.

Five viewing areas for sunrise and sunset

Talinguru Nyakunytjaku for sunrise at Uluru, the Sunset Viewing Area for the evening, plus two areas at Kata ...

Red is only skin-deep

The red colour is iron rusting in the rock. The rock is originally grey, as you can see in many caves.

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Mutitjulu Waterhole

The Kuniya Walk is only 1 km long and leads to one of the few permanent waterholes.

Walpa Gorge: one hour

2.6 km return into a gorge between two large domes, with rare plants and sometimes euros (hill kangaroos).

Two debris fans, two rock types

Around 550 million years ago rain washed sand and gravel out of the Petermann Ranges.

Tjukurpa

According to the Anangu creation stories, ancestral beings shaped the landscape.

TOURS AND GETTING THERE • AD



INTO THE PARK WITHOUT A CAR • 1 TO 3 DAYS

From Ayers Rock Resort: hop-on hop-off pass to Uluru and Kata Tjuta

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GUIDED BASE WALK • 6 HOURS

Uluru: guided small-group walk around the rock, from sunrise

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IN THE EVENING • 5 HOURS

Uluru: sacred sites, Mutitjulu Waterhole and sunset with wine

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FROM THE AIR • 25-MINUTE FLIGHT

From Yulara: 25 minutes by helicopter with views of Uluru and Kata Tjuta

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