

FACT SHEET

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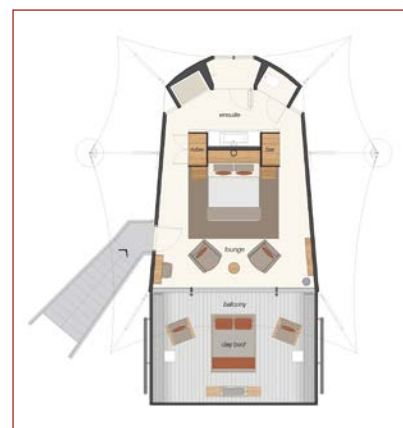
Treasured as Australia's spiritual heart, the dual World Heritage-listed Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park is an ancient desert landscape widely known as the 'Red Centre' thanks to the rust-red earth which makes up the region's towering rock formations and flowing sand dunes. Domed by a deep blue sky and 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. It's a land of stark contrasts, playing spiritual home to the world's oldest living culture, the indigenous Australians, whilst revealing a more modern history with the folklore of the early western explorers. A visit to Uluru-Kata Tjuta is an experience of culture and heritage, as guests have a first-hand and often life-changing introduction to the creation stories of the traditional custodians and connect with this irresistible land that is at once magic, magnetic and splendidly isolated.

Climate

The semi-arid climate of the Uluru region makes for great travelling conditions. Warm, sunny days with minimal rainfall are the norm for much of the year, allowing enjoyment of the stunning desert landscapes and rock formations. 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.

Accommodation

Nestled atop rust-red dunes, Longitude 131° overlooks Uluru, offering unparalleled views of the outback icon. Relax after a day's exploring in one of 15 canopied pavilions, designed for the modern and discerning traveller. Custom-made furniture from contemporary Australian designers offers stylish lounging, whilst the bespoke 'Baillie Bed' dressed in organic linens and luxurious throws holds centre stage. Glass doors open to the timeless landscape and a spacious balcony complete with day bed and fireplace. Each 'tent' is named for an explorer or pioneer and framed artefacts stand alongside the unique textures of local indigenous artworks providing a colourful contrast to the pioneering past. All luxury tents feature king or twin beds, complimentary in-suite bar, iPad with entertainment, music system, wireless internet, ensuite bathroom with bathrobes and premium amenities, climate control, safe, telephone and twice daily housekeeping including signature turn down service. *Capacity: 2 adults in existing bedding/ max capacity 3 persons with rollaway.*



Check in/out Times

Check-in 2pm / Check-out 10.30am

The Dune House

The welcome open spaces of the central Dune House include the restaurant with ever-changing views of the monolith as a backdrop for every meal as well as lounging areas in contemporary campaign style, ideal for relaxing with an icy drink and exchanging stories of the day's adventures in the outback. Glass doors open on to a timeless landscape and the nearby swimming pool invites a refreshing dip, affording guests an easy encounter with the outdoors. Floor-to-ceiling windows and a high canopied roof offer a cool retreat from the Red Centre and lead the style of the guest pavilions beyond.

Restaurant & Bar

Located at the heart of Australia, Longitude 131° offers a dining experience that represents the very best ingredients from around the nation, brought together in one restaurant. The daily changing menu celebrates a fusion of modern and indigenous flavours, creating a uniquely local culinary experience. Guests dine and relax in the Dune House, where the feel-at-home open bar is available throughout the day, generously stocked with a 'top shelf' selection of Australian wines and beers, as well as premium spirits. *The tariff includes all dining and beverages (cellarmasters list additional).*

Experiences & Adventures

Signature Experiences

With Longitude 131° as luxury base camp, guests can explore the protected cultural and natural landscape of Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park. The Lodge offers an exceptional complimentary touring program, allowing a personal encounter with the Red Centre's iconic natural attractions. Experiences are provided on an intimate shared basis with fellow guests at scheduled times. Times are seasonal and subject to sunrise and sunset which vary throughout the year, weather permitting. Touring rotates on a daily basis and all guests enjoy a personalised experiential touring itinerary, with activities scheduled depending on the time and day of arrival.

Optional Experiences (charges apply)

An additional menu of Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park experiences and beyond offers the chance to tailor a special interest itinerary. An amazing helicopter flight over Uluru or Kata Tjuta is the only way to fully appreciate the scale and grandeur of this spectacular region. Take an exhilarating Harley Davidson motorcycle tour around the base of Uluru or meander through the rich red sand dunes atop a camel to watch the awe inspiring backdrop of Uluru and Kata Tjuta change colour as the sun rises or sets. Activities operate on a limited share basis and charges apply.

Private Touring (charges apply)

Explore Australia's heartland in the company of a personal guide, subject to availability. Some activities are subject to weather conditions.

Red Ochre Spa

Indulge and relax in the serene Red Ochre Spa. Housed within Sails in the Desert hotel, Longitude 131° provides return transfers to and from the Spa, which offers a menu of rejuvenating treatments.

Services

Reception and boutique, guest lounge with business facilities, wireless internet, reference library, TV and DVD library, daily laundry and dry cleaning service (charges apply), postal service, doctor on call. All major credit cards are accepted at Longitude 131°.

Access

Longitude 131° stands at the gateway of Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park. **Air** Only three hours' flight from most Australian capital cities, regular flights are available to Ayers Rock Airport (AYQ). Virgin Australia operates daily flights directly to Ayers Rock Airport from Sydney (SYD). Jetstar (Qantas code share) also flies directly to Ayers Rock Airport daily from Sydney; flights from Melbourne operate on selected days. Qantas operates daily flights to Ayers Rock Airport via Alice Springs (ASP) from Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide and Darwin. Qantas also offers direct daily flights from Cairns (CNS) and Alice Springs (ASP). All three airlines provide connecting flights from most major domestic destinations. For those guests travelling between Longitude 131° and sister property Southern Ocean Lodge, Qantas operate an excellent daily service from Ayers Rock (AYQ) via Alice Springs (ASP) to Adelaide (ADL) with air connections to Kingscote (KGC) Kangaroo Island via Regional Express. **Charter Flights** A range of charter flight options are available to/from Ayers Rock Airport from most capital cities. For guests travelling between Baillie Lodges Longitude 131° and Southern Ocean Lodge, a range of exclusive air charter services may be arranged on application. **Self Drive** Australia's diverse landscape offers an adventurous driving holiday, the roads are open and the scenery is spectacular. Self drive is a popular option with parking available at the nearby Ayers Rock Resort (prior arrangement required). **Car Hire** A great way to explore Central Australia at one's own pace. All major national car rental companies operate from Alice Springs. Alice Springs to Longitude 131° is 450km, approximately 4.5 hours drive on sealed roads. Hire cars are also available from Ayers Rock Airport for guests planning a road trip following a stay at Longitude 131°.

Transfers

Longitude 131° operates complimentary transfers with fellow guests, connecting with all Ayers Rock Airport flights.

Children

Longitude 131° welcomes children 10 years and over.

What to Bring

Reflecting the easy-going nature of the outback, dress is relaxed at Longitude 131°. Humidity is low in the arid Red Centre; days are sunny and can be hot, with cooler nights that can become quite crisp and cold in winter. Solid walking shoes, comfortable casual clothes and some layers of warmer clothes if travelling in the cooler months are recommended. Hat and sunscreen are essential year round. A camera and keen sense of adventure are a must!

Luxury Lodges of Australia

Longitude 131° is honoured as a founding member of Luxury Lodges of Australia, celebrating a new era of Australian experiential luxury accommodation and adventure.

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