



# Alice Springs explorer

Ellery Creek Big Hole, Tjoritja/West MacDonnell National Park.



**4 DAYS**  
243 km



West MacDonnell  
Ranges  
Hermannsburg



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Alice Springs is just as far away from any beach, as it is close... or so they say. Here we do 'beaches' Red Centre style. Alice Springs will surprise and delight you with lots of activities right at your doorstep. Think swimming holes, awesome rocky landscapes, amazing wildlife and great foodie hang outs. Consider timing your visit with one of the

**quirky festivals** like the Beanie Festival or the Henley on Todd Regatta - you definitely won't regret it!

## DAY ONE

### Alice Springs

Once you arrive in Alice, hire a car and head straight out to Simpsons Gap. Catch the sun going down and be in awe of the changing colours of the rocks. The easy walk to Simpsons Gap is a pleasant one. Keep your eyes out for the local wildlife hanging out on the rock ledges.

## DAY TWO AND THREE

### Alice Springs and West MacDonnell Ranges

The next couple of days are yours to explore in and around Alice Springs. There are plenty of places that are within an easy drive distance. We highly recommend you explore the **West MacDonnell Ranges** and all the

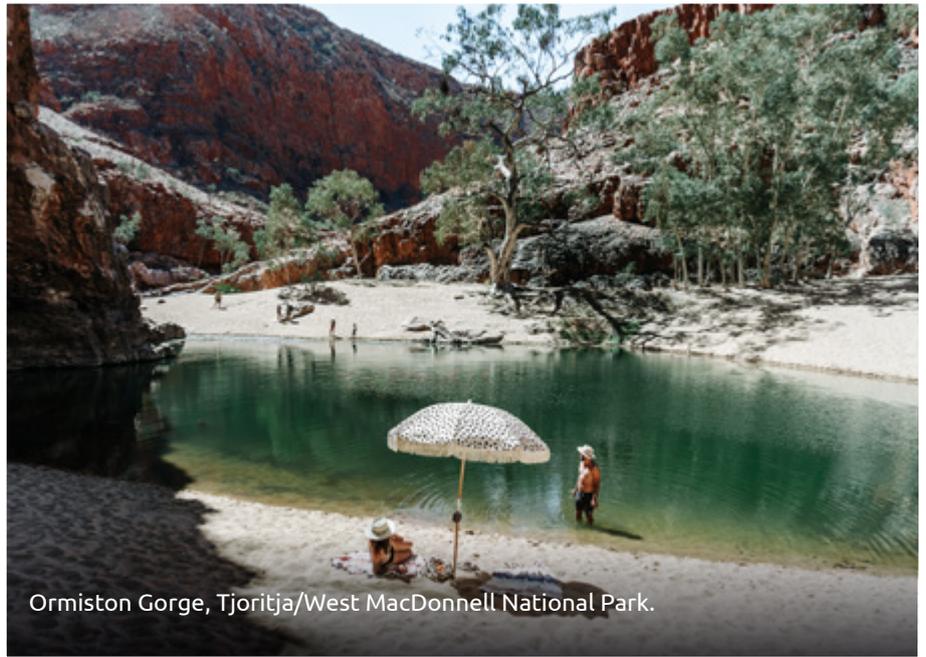




Simpsons Gap, Tjoritja/West MacDonnell National Park.



Kings Creek Station.



Ormiston Gorge, Tjoritja/West MacDonnell National Park.

waterholes in between. Our favourites include, Ormiston Gorge and Ellery Creek Big Hole. Venture further and you'll be rewarded with cool waters at Redbank Gorge.

Alice Springs has attractions suitable for everyone. Check out the **Royal Flying Doctors Service**, the **Desert Park, School of the Air** and the **Araluen Cultural Precinct**.

You could also choose to drive out to the **Hermannsburg Precinct**, just 150km on, and travel back via the loop to Alice Springs. Discover the history behind this settlement and the importance that it still holds today.

## DAY FOUR

### Alice Springs

You can't visit Alice without an early morning **hot air balloon** experience.

With the beautiful clear blue skies, red desert for days, and amazing views, the best way to see Alice and surrounds is from the peaceful floating sensation of a hot air balloon.

#### Food and drink

**Casa Nostra, The Goods Coffee Shop, Kungkas Can Cook Café, Hanuman, Monty's, Epilogue, Page 27, The Bakery**

#### Accommodation

Alice Springs has a large range of accommodation to suit all types of travellers.

#### Tours and Activities

**Anzac Hill lookout, Mbantua Dinner Tour, Earth Sanctuary Astronomy Tours, Nocturnal Tour** at the Desert Park, **Reptile Centre, Olive Pink Botanic Gardens**



## Optional add-on

### Larapinta Trail

Test your walking fitness by experiencing the **Larapinta Trail by Australian Walking Holidays** on a three-day tour. Led by professionals, you will explore some of the 'back tracks' of Alice Springs and some secret waterholes. Enjoy staying in permanent camp sites, hot showers, and hearty meals every night on this three-day journey in the outback.

Try adding on the **Uluru and Kings Canyon highlights** itinerary.