

# Mutitjulu

## Central Region

### Community Profile

**Pronunciation:** Moor-ti-djoo-loo

**Alternate name:** N/A

**Location:** 470km South West of Alice Springs and 20km South West of Yulara

**NT Region:** Central

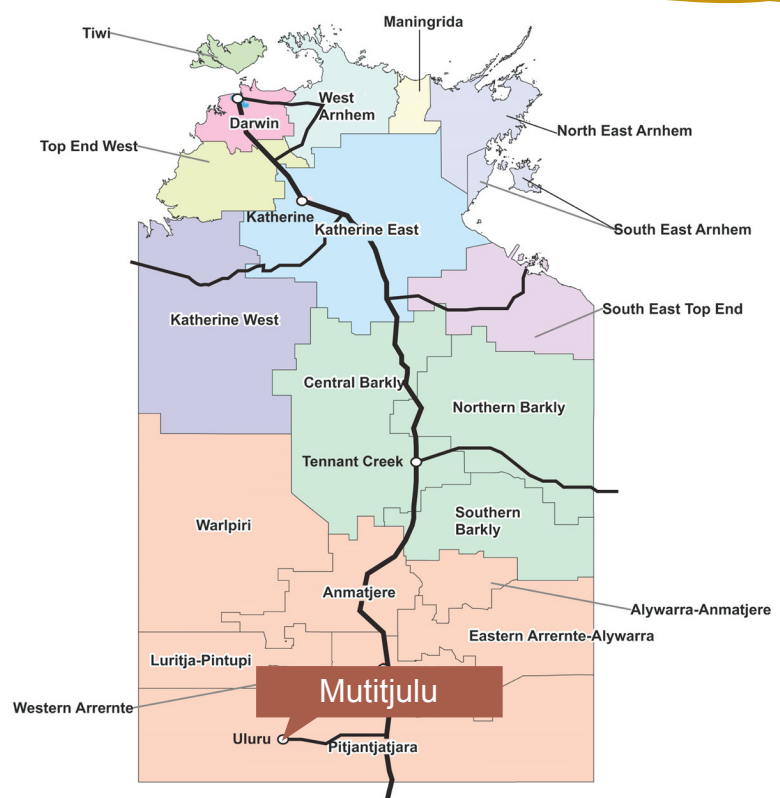
**Population:** Approx. 180-400 residents

**Access:** By road and air

**Language groups:** Pitjantjatjara, Yankunytjatjara, Ngaanyatjarra and Luritja. Pintapi and Arrernte are also spoken.

**Phone:** 4G Telstra

**Internet:** Only personal use of internet in the accommodation



*This map of the Northern Territory, divided into regions, has been adapted from the Office for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health (OATSIH) Program Management and Implementation Section (2008) Map of the Northern Territory*

### Climate (Central)

Season	Description	Temp. Range
<b>Winter (June to August)</b>	<b>Cooler and dry</b>	<b>-7°C to 32°C</b>
<p>The temperature can drop below 0°C overnight in winter. Please ensure you are equipped for these extremes.</p> <p>Humidity Range 20% – 50%</p> <p>Fine weather with minimal rain is the norm with the possibility of getting quite cold by Territory standards between the June to July period. Spring (Sept-Nov) and Autumn (Mar-May) in Central Australia see warm days and cool evenings.</p>		
<b>Summer (December to February)</b>	<b>Hot and dry</b>	<b>16°C to 45°C</b>
<p>The temperature can rise above 40°C in summer. Please ensure you are equipped for these extremes.</p> <p>Humidity Range 30% – 95%</p> <p>Central Australia has a semi-arid climate. In the summer months, the days are generally hot, sometimes very hot. If rain is to fall, it is more likely in the summer months, which may lead to road closures.</p>		

## Infrastructure, facilities and services

<b>Community</b>	<p><b>Church:</b> No</p> <p><b>Community halls or sheds:</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Workforce skills or training facilities:</b> Yes</p> <p><b>School:</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Library:</b> No</p> <p><b>Council Office:</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Women's Centre:</b> No</p> <p><b>Childcare Centre:</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Aged Care Centre:</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Community Safety:</b> Yes</p> <p><b>Banking:</b> ATM in the Ininti Store with EFTPOS and credit card facilities.</p> <p><b>Recreational/other facilities:</b> In Mutitjulu there is a swimming pool, basketball court, AFL and football field, bush walking and an art centre.</p>
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<b>Community store</b>	<b>Ininti Store</b>	<b>Telephone</b> (08) 8956 2690
	The Ininti Store is in Mutitjulu Community. The store supplies a range of products including basic groceries, meat, fresh fruit and vegetables, household supplies, and fuel. Goods can also be pre-ordered on request.	
	<b>Opening hours</b>	Monday – Friday 9.00am – 5.00pm
	The store is closed between 1.00pm and 2.00pm daily	Saturday 9.00am – 12.00pm
		Sunday Closed

<b>Other food outlets</b>	The Ininti Café is located at the Cultural Centre within the National Park. Ayers Rock Resort Yulara also offers a range of dining options and Yulara IGA.
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<b>Food orders</b>	Bush orders can be arranged via the Ininti store (08) 8956 2690.
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<b>Commercial accommodation</b>	<p><b>Mutitjulu Yangatjaku Ngura</b></p> <p><b>Telephone</b> (08) 8956 3247</p> <p><b>Email</b> <a href="mailto:admin@mutitjulu.com.au">admin@mutitjulu.com.au</a></p> <p><b>Ayers Rock Resort</b></p> <p>Located nearby and offers several accommodation options.</p> <p><b>Telephone</b> 1300 134 044</p> <p><b>Website</b> <a href="http://www.ayersrockresort.com.au">www.ayersrockresort.com.au</a></p>
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<b>Fuel</b>	The Ininti Store sells Opal and diesel fuel. The Shell Service Station located in Yulara is open Monday to Sunday, 7.30am – 6.00pm.
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<b>Police station</b>	Mutitjulu Police Station and Yulara Police Station	<b>Telephone</b> (08) 8956 2767
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<b>Community Safety</b>	Yes, there is a community safety program.
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<b>Other police contract</b>	Police assistance line	<b>Telephone</b> 131 444
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## Telephone/internet/mail

<b>Mobile phone<sup>1</sup>/phone</b>	Telstra, Optus and Vodaphone.
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<b>Internet</b>	Only personal use of the internet is available in the accommodation.
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<b>Mail</b>	Yes, there is a Post Office located in Yulara 28km from Mutitjulu.
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<sup>1</sup> Telstra 3G/Next G are typically the only mobile services that work in more remote parts of the Northern Territory. See link – <http://telstra.com.au/mobile-phones/coverage-networks/our-coverage/>

Access		
Road	Driving to Mutitjulu from Alice Springs takes around five hours heading South on the Stuart Hwy for 200km, before turning onto the Lasseter Hwy for 264km. Mutitjulu is located within the Uluru Kata Tjuta National Park 20km from the entry station.	
Air	Domestic flights to Uluru are available from most Australian cities along with local flights and charters.	
Regular passenger transport	<b>Centre Bush Bus</b> Travel to Mutitjulu twice a week.	<b>Telephone</b> (08) 8953 0127 <b>Email</b> <a href="mailto:reservations@centrebushbus.com.au">reservations@centrebushbus.com.au</a>
Health centre		
Health service <sup>2</sup>	<b>Mutitjulu Health Service</b>  <b>Opening hours</b> 24-hour <b>emergency</b> on-call service.  <b>Facilities</b> 5 consulting rooms, 5 treatment rooms and 1 emergency room.	<b>Telephone</b> (08) 89562054 <b>Email</b> <a href="mailto:info@caac.org.au">info@caac.org.au</a> or <a href="mailto:mutitjulu.cnm@caac.org.au">mutitjulu.cnm@caac.org.au</a> <b>Web</b> <a href="https://www.caac.org.au/">https://www.caac.org.au/</a>  Monday – Friday 8.30am – 5.00pm
On-call 24/7 service	Yes	
Medical Records System <sup>3</sup>	Communicare	
Vehicles	The health centre maintains a Toyota Troop Carrier that has been converted for use as an ambulance, and an 8-seater minibus. <b>**Note: All Troop Carriers are 4WD, manual and take DIESEL fuel.</b>	
GPs	Yes, a permanent GP is based in the clinic.	
Visiting services	Includes Dietetics, Podiatry, Optometry, Obstetrics, Ophthalmology, Gynaecology, Psychology, Health Checks and Immunisations, Medications, Health Education and Healthy Lifestyle Promotion, Mental Health, Dental and Hearing Health Services. Aboriginal Practitioners, a Diabetes Nurse and Allied Health staff also visit the clinic.	
Acute care	St Johns Ambulance, Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS) and MRaCC.	
Other	Birthing women birth in Alice Springs.	
Alcohol		
Alcohol <sup>4</sup>	This community is a dry community, no alcohol is permitted. This applies to everyone, including visitors.	

<sup>2</sup> For more detailed description of the health centre and their services, please contact the Health Service directly.

<sup>3</sup> Training should be arranged before your arrival in the community.

<sup>4</sup> It is an offence to consume or bring alcohol into a dry community in the Northern Territory.

## Governance

### Local Government

The local council is the MacDonnell Shire Council.  
The land council is the Central Land Council (CLC).

### Outstations

None

## Other tips and relevant information

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Be prepared for the variable standard of accommodation in communities. A sleeping bag sheet insert is a good idea for protection against biting insects.

Whenever possible, avoid being on the road from dusk till dawn. Apart from the unfenced cattle station, the region has a population of feral horses, donkeys, dogs and the occasional camel along with a native population of Kangaroos and Dingoes. All of which are a significant road hazard.

On arrival, please check with the Health Centre to understand any health or social issues within the community. They can also let you know of any sacred sites to avoid.

#### Disclaimer

*This information is prepared in good faith and to the best of our knowledge at the time of printing. However, Aboriginal communities, like any community, can change as the population shifts and people move on. Please contact the RAHC Regional Coordinator or the Health Centre Manager to confirm any key issues or concerns you may have ahead of your RAHC placement. RAHC also values any input you can provide to improve our Community Profiles.*

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