

Milingimbi

Top End Region

Community Profile

Pronunciation: Millin-gin-bee

Alternate name: Miningimbi

Location: 440km east of Darwin and 250km west of Nhulunbuy.

NT Region: Top End

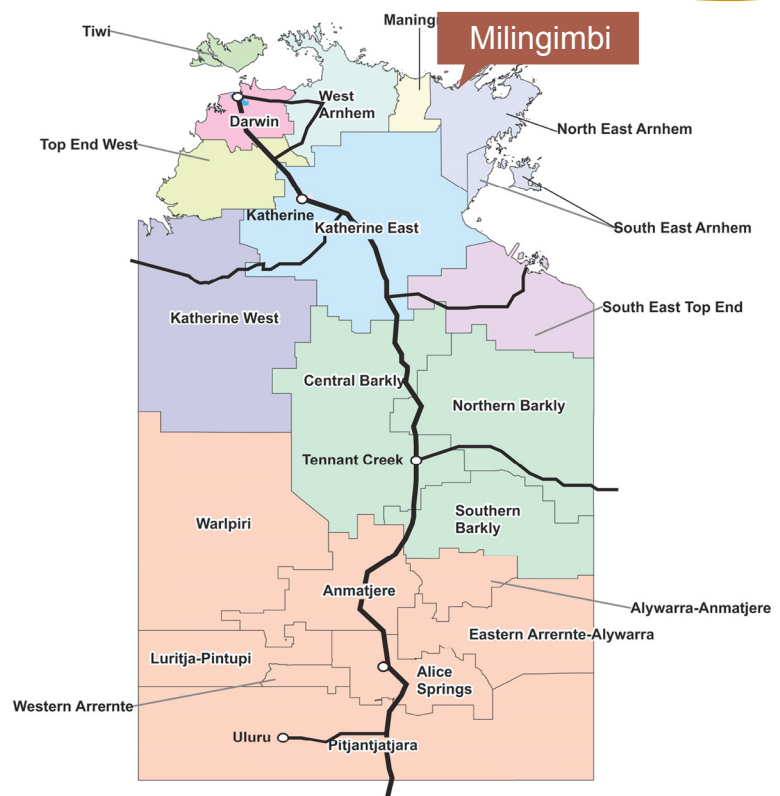
Population: Approx. 1225 residents

Access: Air

Language groups: Yolngu or Yolnu

Phone: 3G Telstra

Internet: Limited use of internet in the clinic



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 (Top End)

| Season | Description | Temp. Range |
|---|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Winter (June to August) | Cooler and dry | 6°C to 19°C |
| <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 and the possibility of getting quite cold by Territory standards during June/July.</p> | | |
| Summer (December to February) | Hot and humid | 25°C to 38°C |
| <p>The temperature can rise above 40°C during the day in summer. Please ensure you are equipped for these extremes.</p> <p>Humidity Range 30% – 95%.</p> <p>The build-up occurs from September with building humidity, intermittent lightning storms and downpours. Rains typically arrive December/January with regular heavy downpours and the possibility of cyclones.</p> | | |

Infrastructure, facilities and services

Community

Church: Yes

Community halls or sheds: Yes

Workforce skills or training facilities: Yes

School: Yes

Library: Yes

Council Office: Yes

Women’s Centre: No

Childcare Centre: Yes

Aged Care Centre: Yes, Community Care Program.

Community Safety: Yes, Community Care Program.

Banking: Yes

Recreational/other facilities: Milingimbi are known for their fishing and camping spots and youth sport and recreation activities including basketball, volleyball, and football.

Community store

The Arnhem Land Progress Aboriginal Corporation (ALPA Store)

Telephone (08) 8987 9036

A selection of fruit, vegetables and basic frozen meat options are available at the ALPA Store. Goods are delivered and unloaded every Tuesday.

Opening hours

Monday – Friday

9:00am – 5:00pm

Saturday

9:00am – 12:00pm

Sunday

12:00pm – 5:00pm

Other food outlets

Gomu Rawak Shop

The takeaway shop serves hot food after the local ALPA grocery store closes for the night.

Opening hours

Monday – Sunday

6:00pm – 11:00pm

Food orders

Woolworths

Telephone (08) 8919 8308

Coles

Telephone (08) 8941 8055

Commercial accommodation

Rulku Lodge Milingimbi

Telephone 0488 094 597

Visitor accommodation is located in the centre of Milingimbi. The lodge offers a range of single, double or family rooms. All rooms have linen, towels, air conditioners, a bar fridge, and a television.

Fuel

The Council workshop

Opal and diesel fuels are available.

Police station

Milingimbi Police Station

Telephone (08) 8979 7858

Community Safety

The EARC Community Patrol Services

Other police contact

Police assistance line

Telephone 131 444

| Telephone/internet/mail | | |
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| Mobile phone¹/phone | 3G Telstra | |
| Internet | Only personal use of the internet is available in the clinic. | |
| Mail | Australia Post – Milingimbi CPA Lot 52 Milingimbi, NT 0822. | Telephone (08) 8970 1702 |
| Access | | |
| Road | There is no access to Milingimbi via road. | |
| Air | Milingimbi Airport is a sealed all-weather strip with electric lighting, shelter and toilets. | |
| Regular passenger transport | AirNorth AirNorth flies to Milingimbi daily. | Telephone (08) 1800 627 474 |
| Health centre | | |
| Health service² | Miwatj Health Aboriginal Corporation Department of Health (DOH) | Telephone (08) 8987 9903 Email milingimbi.clinicmgr@nt.gov.au Web www.health.nt.gov.au |
| | Operating hours | Monday – Sunday 8:30am – 4:30pm |
| | Facilities | One emergency room with one bed, ultrasound machine, dialysis chair and eight consult rooms. |
| On-call services | Yes, 24/7 on-call service. | |
| Medical Records System³ | Communicare | |
| Vehicles | The health centre maintains a Toyota Troop Carrier that has been converted for use as an ambulance. There are also two 4-door utilities maintained by the clinic and another troop carrier with seats for patient transport. **Note: All Troop Carriers are 4WD, manual and take DIESEL fuel. | |
| GPs | Yes, there is a permanent GP is based in the clinic. | |
| Visiting services | Visiting Services include Oral Health, Audiologist, Optometrist, Paediatrician, Obstetrician, Gynaecologist, Cardiologist, Mental Health Team, Aged and Disability Services, Ophthalmologist, Diabetic Nurse Educator, Women's Health Outreach Nurse, Chronic Disease Outreach Nurse and Midwifery Outreach. | |
| Acute care | Care Flight | |
| Other | Birthing women birth in Gove or Darwin. | |

¹ 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/>

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

³ Training should be arranged before your arrival in the community.

Alcohol

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This community is a dry community, no alcohol is permitted. This applies to everyone, including visitors.

Governance

Local Government

Local Council is the East Arnhem Regional Council.
Land Council is the Northern Lands Council NLC.

Outstations

Ramingining.

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.

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

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