

Atitjere (Harts Range)

Central Region

Community Profile

Pronunciation: A-tit-ge-rare

Alternate name: Arltarlpilta, Hart Range and Harts Range

Location: 215km northeast of Alice Springs

NT Region: Central

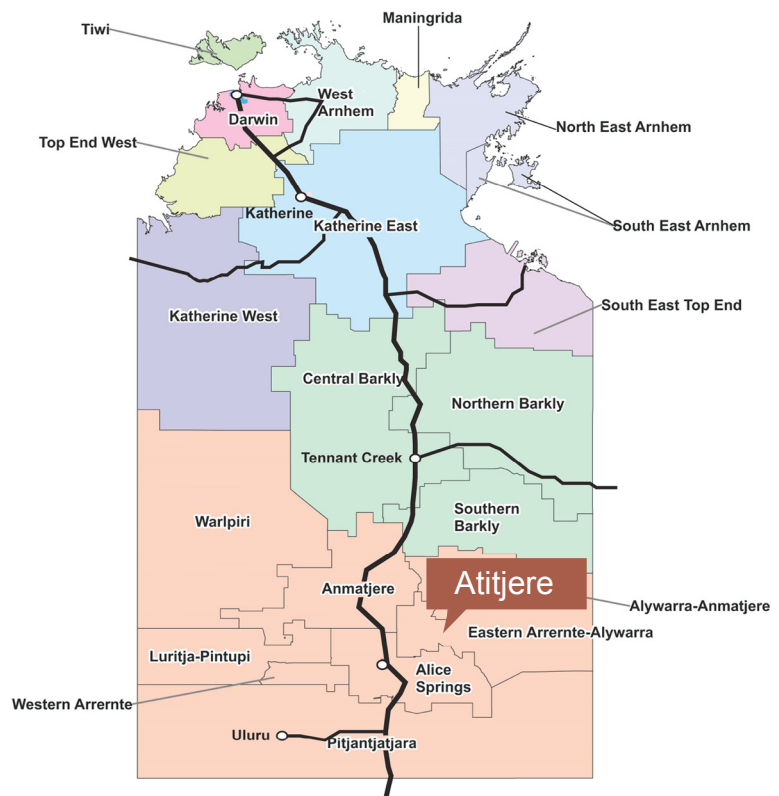
Population: Approx. 260 residents

Access: Road and air

Language groups: Eastern Arrernte

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
Winter (June to August)	Cooler and dry	-7°C to 32°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 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>		
Summer (December to February)	Hot and dry	16°C to 45°C
<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

Community

Church: Yes

Community halls or sheds: Yes

Workforce skills or training facilities: Yes

School: Yes

Library: No

Council Office: Yes

Women’s Centre: Yes

Childcare Centre: Yes

Aged Care Centre: Yes

Community Safety: Yes

Banking: Yes an ATM is located at the Homeland store.

Recreational/other facilities: The community has seasonal sports such as AFL football and softball. There are 4WD driving tracks, camping facilities, fossicking, old mine shafts and sightseeing. Harts Range community also host events such as horse races, a Rodeo and Gymkhana.

Community store

Atitjere Community Store

Telephone (08) 8956 9773

123 Mica Road, ATITJERE, NT 0872

Atitjere community store is well-stocked and has all the essentials from household goods, dry goods, dairy, fresh fruit and vegetables, meat and frozen foods, toiletries, and some car products.

Opening hours

Monday – Friday

9:00am – 1:00pm

2:00pm – 5:00pm

Saturday

9:00am – 1:00pm

Sunday

Closed

Other food outlets

Atitjere Takeaway Cookhouse

Telephone (08) 8956 9481

Takeaway and sit-down meals including fried foods, sandwiches, salads, roast meals, cold drinks, and ice-creams.

Opening hours

Monday – Friday

8:30am – 6:30pm

Saturday

10:00am – 3:00pm

Sunday

Closed

Food orders

Woolworths

Telephone (08) 8958 6575

Coles

Telephone (08) 8952 4575

Online orders can be delivered by CASH Transport - (08) 8952 7896

Commercial accommodation

Central Desert regional council visitor accommodation

Telephone (08) 8956 9787

Email accommodation@centraldesert.nt.gov.au

Fuel

Opal and diesel fuel can be purchased from the community store.

Police station

Harts Range (Atitjere) Police Station

Telephone (08) 8956 9772

Community Safety

Atitjere provides a Community Safety Patrol Service.

Other police contract

Police assistance line

Telephone 131 444

Telephone/internet/mail		
Mobile phone¹/phone	4G Telstra	
Internet	Yes, personal use is available.with WIFI available 24/7.	
Mail	Harts Range (Atitjere) CPA Lot 106 Mica Road, Atitjere NT 0872	Telephone (08) 8956 9787
	Opening hours	Monday - Sunday 8:00am – 4:30pm
Access		
Road	Atitjere is approximately 215km from Alice Springs via the Stuart and Plenty Highway. The Plenty Highway turnoff is 68km north of Alice Springs and is a sealed single lane from the Stuart Highway to Atitjere.	
Air	The aerodrome is unsealed and is located 2.5km from the community.	
Regular passenger transport	Centre Bush Bus Services the community every Tuesday and Thursday for transport to and from Alice Springs.	Telephone (08) 8953 0127
Health centre		
Health service²	Atitjere (Harts Range) Community Health Centre Department of Health Plenty Highway, Atitjere NT 0872	Telephone (08) 8956 9778 Email hartsrange.clinicmgr@nt.gov.au Web www.health.nt.gov.au
	Operating hours	Monday – Friday Saturday – Sunday 9:00am – 4:00pm Closed
	Facilities One emergency room and two consulting rooms.	
On-call services	Yes, 24/7 on-call service.	
Medical Records System³	PCIS	
Vehicles	The health centre has two vehicles one of which is a Toyota Troop Carrier that has been converted for use as an ambulance. **Note: All Troop Carriers are 4WD, manual and take DIESEL fuel.	
GPs	GPs are a visiting service.	
Visiting services	Visiting services include Dietician, Midwife, Maternal and Child Health Specialist, Podiatry, Dental, Nutritionist and Hearing Health, Optometrists and Public Health Nurses.	
Acute care	Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS)	
Other	Birthing women birth in Alice Springs.	

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.

Other Birthing women birth in Alice Springs.

Alcohol

Alcohol⁴ This community is a dry community, no alcohol is permitted. This applies to everyone, including visitors.

Governance

Local Government Local Council is the Central Desert Shire Council.
Land Council is the Central Lands Council CLC.

Outstations Irrelirre, Mt Eaglebeak, Foxalls Well and Spotted Tiger.

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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Alice Springs Office

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