

Yuelamu (Mt Allen)

Central Region

Community Profile

Pronunciation: You-la-mu

Alternate name: Alpirakina, Alpirakinga, Mount Allan and Mount Allen

Location: 280km northwest of Alice Springs

NT Region: Central

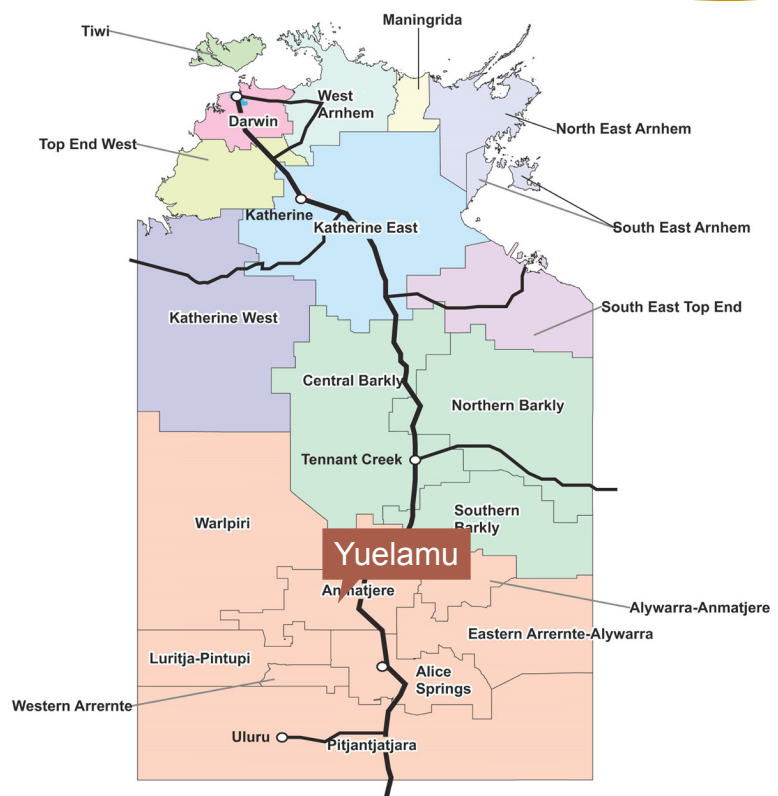
Population: Approx. 260 residents

Access: Road and air

Language groups: NA

Phone: No phone service

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	<p>Church: Yes</p> <p>Community halls or sheds: Yes</p> <p>Workforce skills or training facilities: Yes</p> <p>School: Yes</p> <p>Library: No</p> <p>Council Office: Yes, Yuelamu Council Service Centre (08 8956 4016)</p> <p>Women’s Centre: Yes</p> <p>Childcare Centre: Yes</p> <p>Aged Care Centre: Yes</p> <p>Community Safety: Yes</p> <p>Banking: Yes</p> <p>Recreational/other facilities: The community enjoys basketball, softball, cricket, and AFL football. There is a multipurpose shelter facility for sports, football oval, art centre and cultural activities.</p>										
Community store	<p>Alpirakina Store</p> <p>21 Arrunge Cres, Yuelamu NT 0872</p> <p>The store has a selection of fresh produce, dairy products, frozen food and meat, dry goods, cleaning products and household items. Please bring any specialty products as they may not be available.</p> <p>Opening hours</p> <table><tr><td>Monday – Friday</td><td>9:00am – 12:00pm</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>2:00pm – 5:00pm</td></tr><tr><td>Saturday</td><td>9:00am – 12:00pm</td></tr><tr><td>Sunday</td><td>Closed</td></tr></table>	Monday – Friday	9:00am – 12:00pm		2:00pm – 5:00pm	Saturday	9:00am – 12:00pm	Sunday	Closed	<p>Telephone (08) 8956 4050</p>	
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Saturday	9:00am – 12:00pm										
Sunday	Closed										
Other food outlets	NA										
Food orders	<p>Woolworths</p> <p>Coles</p> <p>Stanes Transport</p> <p>For deliveries, please contact Stanes Transport via email: operations@stanes.com.au</p>	<p>Telephone (08) 8958 6575</p> <p>Telephone (08) 8952 4575</p> <p>Telephone 0456 524 107</p>									
Commercial accommodation	Central Desert Regional Council	Telephone (08) 8958 9500									
Fuel	Opal and Diesel available at the community centre store.										
Police station	Yuelamu is serviced by the Yuendumu Police Station 50km west.	Telephone (08) 8956 4004									
Community Safety	The community has a night patrol service.										
Other police contract	Police assistance line	Telephone 131 444									

Telephone/internet/mail		
Mobile phone ¹ /phone	Only a pay phone.	
Internet	Yes, personal use is available.	
Mail	Yuelamu CPA 17 Neymatey St, Yuelamu NT 0872	Telephone (08) 8956 4016
Access		
Road	Yuelamu by road takes approx. three hours from Alice Springs, via the Stuart Highway and Tanami Highway. The turn off is 65km past Tilmouth Well, then 31km on a dirt road to the community.	
Air	The Aerodrome is unsealed and located 3km from the community.	
Regular passenger transport	Centre Bush Bus Centre Bush Bus goes to Yuelamu every Thursday.	Telephone (08) 8953 0127
Health centre		
Health service ²	Yuelamu Health Centre Department of Health 67 Neymatey Street, YUELAMU, NT, 0872	Telephone (08) 8956 8747 Email Yuelamu.ClinicMgr@nt.gov.au Web www.health.nt.gov.au
	Operating hours	Monday – Friday 8:00am – 5:00pm Saturday – Sunday Closed
	Facilities Two consulting rooms and one emergency room.	
On-call services	Yes, 24/7 on-call service.	
Medical Records System ³	PCIS	
Vehicles	There are two vehicles. The health centre maintains one Toyota Troop Carrier that has been converted for use as an ambulance and one Toyota Hilux. No personal use available. **Note: All Troop Carriers are 4WD, manual and take DIESEL fuel.	
GPs	GPs are a visiting service	
Visiting services	Visiting Services include a Dietitian, Midwife, Podiatry, Dental Team, Obstetrician, Ophthalmologist, Mental Health Professionals, ENT Otolaryngologists, Nutritionist, Gynaecologist and Hearing Health.	
Acute care	RFDS and MRaCC	
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.

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

Outstations

The outstations surrounding Yuelamu are Pulardi, Garden Bore and 10 Mile.

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.

Darwin Office

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Alice Springs Office

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