

Titjikala Central

Community Profile

Pronunciation: Titch-chee-ka-la

Alternate name: Maryvale and Tapatjatjaka

Location: 130kms southeast of Alice Springs

NT Region: Central

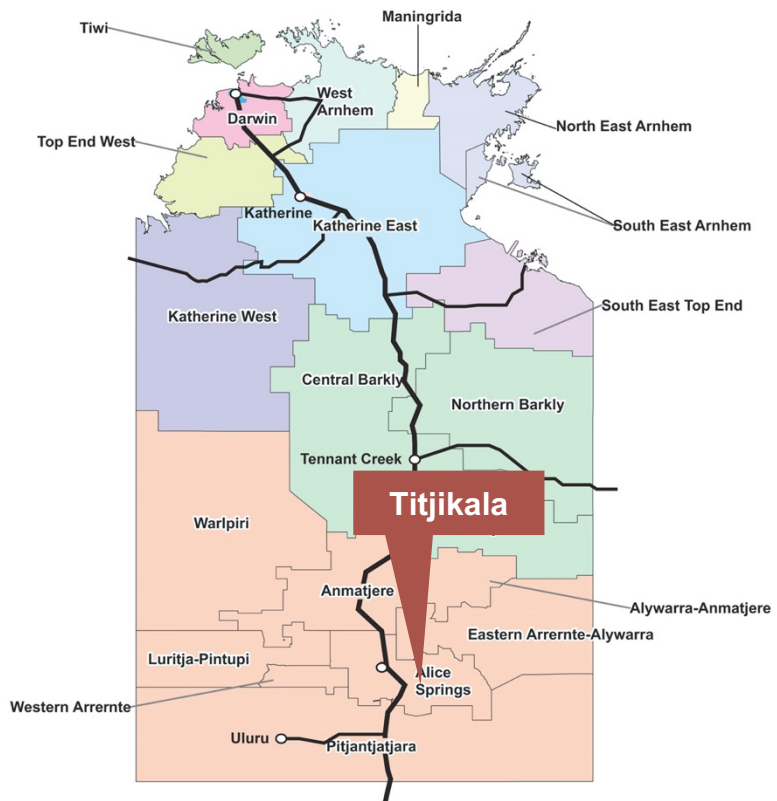
Population: Approx. 220 residents

Access: Road and air

Language groups: Pitjantjatjara Luritja and multiple dialects in Arrernte.

Phone: 4G Telstra

Internet: Only personal use of internet in the accommodation



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</p> <p>Women's Centre: Yes</p> <p>Childcare Centre: Yes</p> <p>Aged Care Centre: Yes, Community Care Program.</p> <p>Community Safety: Yes</p> <p>Banking: Yes, ATM available at the community store.</p> <p>Recreational/other facilities: Titjikala enjoys seasonal sports such as basketball, AFL football and softball with sports facilities and a children's playground.</p>								
Community store	<p>Titjikala Store Telephone (08) 8956 0793</p> <p>Old South Road, Titjikala NT 0872</p> <p>The Titjikala store offers a range of fresh fruit and vegetables, meat, bread, and dairy products. As well as a choice of soft drinks, dry goods, and household items.</p> <p>Opening hours</p> <table><tr><td>Monday – Friday</td><td>8:30am – 12:30pm</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	8:30am – 12:30pm		2:00pm – 5:00pm	Saturday	9:00am – 12:00pm	Sunday	Closed
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Other food outlets	NA								
Food orders	<p>Woolworths Telephone (08) 8958 6575</p> <p>Coles Telephone (08) 8952 4575</p> <p>Stanes Transport Telephone 0456 524 107</p> <p>Delivers on a Tuesday.</p> <p>For deliveries contact Stanes transport via email operations@stanes.com.au</p>								
Commercial accommodation	<p>For accommodation contact the MacDonnell Regional Council. Telephone (08) 8958 9600</p>								
Fuel	Opal and Diesel available from the community store.								
Police station	<p>Serviced by Santa Teresa Police Station Telephone (08) 8956 0887</p> <p>Titjikala NT 0872, Lot 92 Ngintaka Road</p> <p>Overnight Police Post located within the community.</p>								
Community Safety	There is a community safety program.								
Other police contract	<p>Police assistance line Telephone 131 444</p>								

Telephone/internet/mail							
Mobile phone¹/phone	4G Telstra						
Internet	Yes, personal use is available.						
Mail	<p>Titjikala Post Office Telephone (08) 8956 0844</p> <p>Operating Hours</p> <table> <tr> <td>Monday – Thursday</td> <td>8:00am – 5:00pm</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Friday</td> <td>8:00am – 3:00pm</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Saturday – Sunday</td> <td>Closed</td> </tr> </table>	Monday – Thursday	8:00am – 5:00pm	Friday	8:00am – 3:00pm	Saturday – Sunday	Closed
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Access							
Road	The community is located 130kms southeast of Alice Springs via the Old South Road. It is a 1.5hrs to drive from Alice Springs on unsealed road. Access can be impassable after heavy rains.						
Air	No airstrip available.						
Regular passenger transport	<p>Centre Bush Bus Telephone (08) 8953 0127</p> <p>Centre Bush Bus goes to Titjikala weekly on Tuesday and Friday.</p>						
Health centre							
Health service²	<p>Titjikala Health Service Telephone (08) 8956 0905 Department of Health (DOH) Email TitjikalaClinicMgr.ths@nt.gov.au Web www.health.nt.gov.au</p> <p>Operating hours</p> <table> <tr> <td>Monday – Friday</td> <td>8:00am – 12:00pm 1:00pm – 5:00pm</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Saturday – Sunday</td> <td>Closed</td> </tr> </table> <p>Facilities Four consulting rooms and one emergency room.</p>	Monday – Friday	8:00am – 12:00pm 1:00pm – 5:00pm	Saturday – Sunday	Closed		
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On-call services	Yes, 24/7 on-call service.						
Medical Records System³	PCIS						
Vehicles	<p>The health centre maintains three vehicles one of which is a Toyota Troop Carrier that is converted for use as an ambulance. Not for personal use.</p> <p>**Note: All Troop Carriers are 4WD, manual and take DIESEL fuel.</p>						
GPs	GPs are a visiting service.						
Visiting services	Visiting services include a Dietician, a Midwife, Podiatry, Dental, Mental Health Professionals and Hearing Health.						
Acute care	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

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

Governance

Local Government Local Council is the MacDonnell regional Council.
Land Council is the Central Lands Council CLC.

Outstations No outstations.

Other tips and relevant information

Other tips/relevant information 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 NT Remote Locum Program to confirm any key issues or concerns you may have ahead of your NT Remote Locum Program placement. NT Remote Locum Program 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.