

## Maningrida *Top End*

### Community Profile

**Pronunciation:** Man-in-gri-dah

**Alternate name:** Manayingkarirra

**Location:** Approximately 500km east of Darwin

**NT Region:** Top End

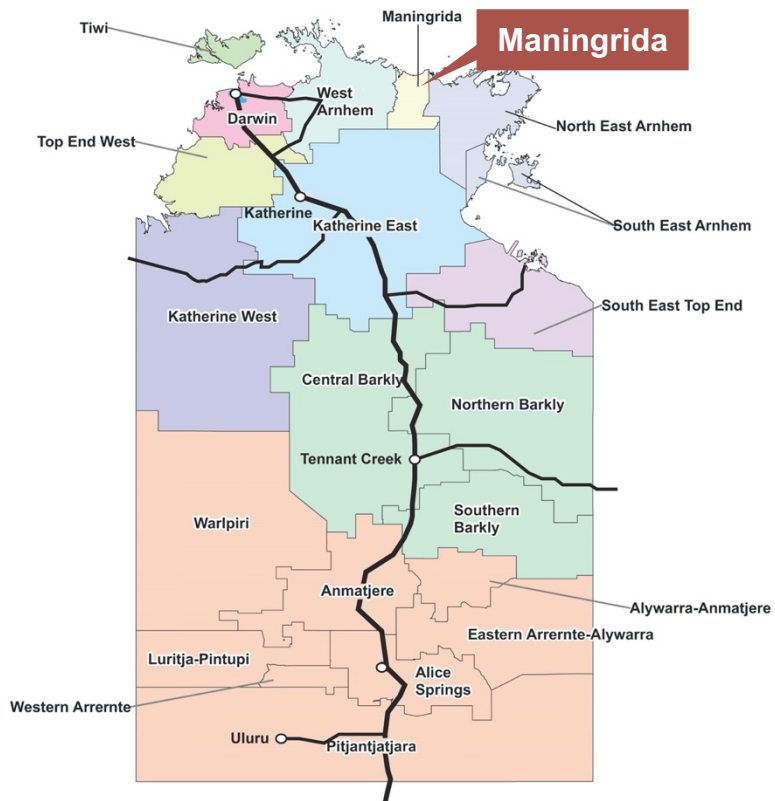
**Population:** Approx. 2950 residents

**Access:** Road and air

**Language groups:** Burarran, Guragone, Ndjebbana, Nakkara, Yolngu and Matha

**Phone:** 4G Telstra

**Internet:** Limited use of internet in the clinic



### Climate (Top End)

Season	Description	Temp. Range
<b>Winter (June to August)</b>	<b>Cooler and dry</b>	<b>6°C to 19°C</b>
The temperature can drop below 0°C overnight in winter. Please ensure you are equipped for these extremes. Humidity Range 20% – 50%.	Fine weather with minimal rain and the possibility of getting quite cold by Territory standards during June/July.	
<b>Summer (December to February)</b>	<b>Hot and humid</b>	<b>25°C to 38°C</b>
The temperature can rise above 40°C during the day in summer. Please ensure you are equipped for these extremes. Humidity Range 30% – 95%.	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.	

## 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:** Yes

**Childcare Centre:** Yes

**Aged Care Centre:** Yes

**Community Safety:** Yes, Community Care Program.

**Banking:** Yes

**Recreational/other facilities:** A variety of recreational facilities are available in Maningrida, including the Djomi Museum, Maningrida Arts and Cultural Centre, swimming pool, fishing, boating, hiking. Basketball facilities, AFL sports oval, volleyball, camping, bushwalking, and cultural tours.

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### Community store

**Balmarrk Supermarket and Wild Food Takeaway Cafe**

**Telephone** (08) 8979 6511

The community store sells a wide range of fresh fruit, vegetables and groceries. A limited range of clothing, toys, hardware, household goods, basic chemist supplies, white goods, electrical, fishing equipment and takeaway food is also available. ATM facilities are available.

<b>Opening hours</b>	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday	9:00am – 5:00pm
	Thursday	9:00am – 8:00pm
	Saturday – Sunday	9:00am – 2:00pm

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### Other food outlets

**MPA Maningrida Store**

Lot 328 Maningrida NT 0822.

The store offers a reasonable range of supermarket items including fresh fruit, vegetables, bread, milk, and both fresh and frozen meats.

<b>Opening hours</b>	Monday – Friday	9:00am – 5:00pm
	Saturday	9:00am – 12:00pm
	Sunday	CLOSED

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### Food orders

**Woolworths Nightcliff**

**Telephone** (08) 8995 9317  
**Web** [www.woolworths.com.au](http://www.woolworths.com.au)

**Coles Casuarina Village**

**Telephone** (08) 8927 9055

**AURIGA coastal Shipping Services**

**Telephone** (08) 8947 4690  
**Email** [freight@auriga.com.au](mailto:freight@auriga.com.au)

Food orders can be made through Coles Casuarina Village and Woolworths Nightcliff in Darwin. Online orders require a minimum five days before the delivery date and require the remote delivery address to be established. The online remote drop-down must be selected for the freight carrier. Payment for groceries and freight service charges must be made before groceries are accepted for transport.

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### Commercial accommodation

**Dhukurrdji Lodge**

**Telephone** (08) 8979 5612  
**Email** [info@dhukurrdjilodge.com.au](mailto:info@dhukurrdjilodge.com.au)

The Dhukurrnji Lodge offers 40 rooms all air-conditioned with ensuites. Each room accommodates a maximum of 1 adult. Rooms include fresh linen, television and small fridge. Facilities include a gym and laundry.

<b>Fuel</b>	<b>MPA Fuel</b>	
	Lot 562 Maningrida NT 0822. Both Opal and diesel fuel are available.	
<b>Police station</b>	Maningrida Police Station	<b>Telephone</b> (08) 8979 5939
<b>Community Safety</b>	Maningrida Night Patrol	
<b>Other police contract</b>	Police assistance line	<b>Telephone</b> 131 444
<b>Telephone/internet/mail</b>		
<b>Mobile phone<sup>1</sup>/phone</b>	4G Telstra	
<b>Internet</b>	Yes, personal use is available.	
<b>Mail</b>	<b>Manningrida LPO</b>	<b>Telephone</b> (08) 8979 6600
	Lot 477a Maningrida NT 0822. The local council is contracted for mail services in community.	
<b>Access</b>		
<b>Road</b>	Maningrida is approximately 520km from Darwin and only accessible by road during the dry season. The total drive time is approximately seven hours. There are several river crossings and the last 300km of the drive is on an unsealed road. The river crossing depths can vary and a 4WD with a snorkel is advisable.	
<b>Air</b>	The flight from Darwin to Maningrida takes approximately one hour. Maningrida has an all-weather, sealed airstrip less than 1km from community. Airnorth operates regular passenger services.	
<b>Regular passenger transport</b>	<b>Airnorth</b>	<b>Telephone</b> 1800 627 474 <b>Email</b> reservations@airnorth.com.au
	Airnorth operates year-round regular passenger transport services.	
	<b>Katherine Coaches</b>	<b>Telephone</b> (08) 8971 0774 <b>Email</b> bookings@katherinecoaches.com.au
	Katherine Coaches offer a weekly service from Darwin to Maningrida during the dry season.	
<b>Health centre</b>		
<b>Health service<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Mala'la Primary Health Care Centre</b>	<b>Telephone</b> (08) 8979 5930 <b>Email</b> clinicmgr@malala.com.au <b>Web</b> www.malala.com.au
	<b>Operating hours</b>	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 9:00am – 4:00pm Thursday 1:00pm – 4:00pm Saturday – Sunday CLOSED

<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/>

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

### Facilities

There is one emergency room, one dental room, one hearing room one x-ray room and 13 consulting rooms.

<b>On-call services</b>	Yes, 24/7 on-call service.
<b>Medical Records System<sup>3</sup></b>	PCIS
<b>Vehicles</b>	The health centre maintains a Toyota Troop Carrier that has been converted for use as an ambulance. <b>**Note: All Troop Carriers are 4WD, manual and take DIESEL fuel.</b>
<b>GPs</b>	Yes, there is a permanent GP is based in the clinic.
<b>Visiting services</b>	Oral, hearing health, dental, podiatry, obstetrics, ophthalmology, women's health, mental health, dietetics, ENT nutritionist and gynaecology.
<b>Acute care</b>	Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS)
<b>Other</b>	Birthing women birth in Gove or Darwin.
<b>Alcohol</b>	
<b>Alcohol<sup>4</sup></b>	This community is a dry community, no alcohol is permitted. This applies to everyone, including visitors.
<b>Governance</b>	
<b>Local Government</b>	Local Council is the West Arnhem Regional Council. Land Council is the Northern Lands Council NLC.
<b>Outstations</b>	The clinic services nine of the 34 outstations in Maningrida.
<b>Other tips and relevant information</b>	
<b>Other tips/relevant information</b>	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.

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<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.