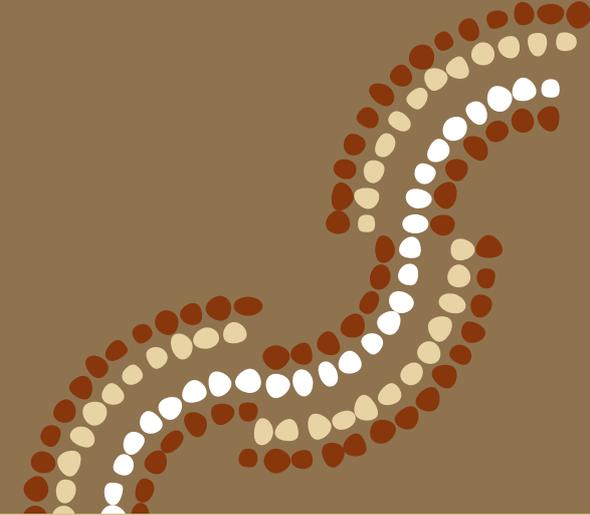


Central Australia Region

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Community Profile

Kintore

1st edition
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This Community Profile provides you with information specific to the Luritja-Pintupi Area of the Northern Territory.

The information has been compiled through a number of text and internet resources, and consultations with members of the local communities.

The first version of this Community Profile was prepared for RAHC by The Echidna Group and we acknowledge and thank Dr Terri Farrelly and Ms Bronwyn Lumby for their contribution.

Other sources include:

www.bushtel.nt.gov.au/northern_territory/community_search_display?comm_num=72

www.pintubihealth.com.au

www.uluru-to-kakadu.com

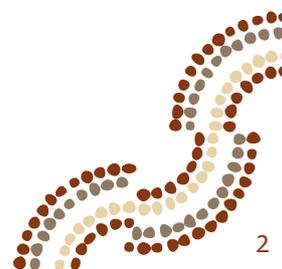
RAHC would also like to acknowledge and express gratitude to the Aboriginal people of the Luritja-Pintupi Area who have so generously shared aspects of their culture and communities for use in this Profile.

*Please note: The information provided in this community profile is correct, to the best of RAHC's knowledge, at the time of printing. This community profile will be regularly updated as new information comes to hand.

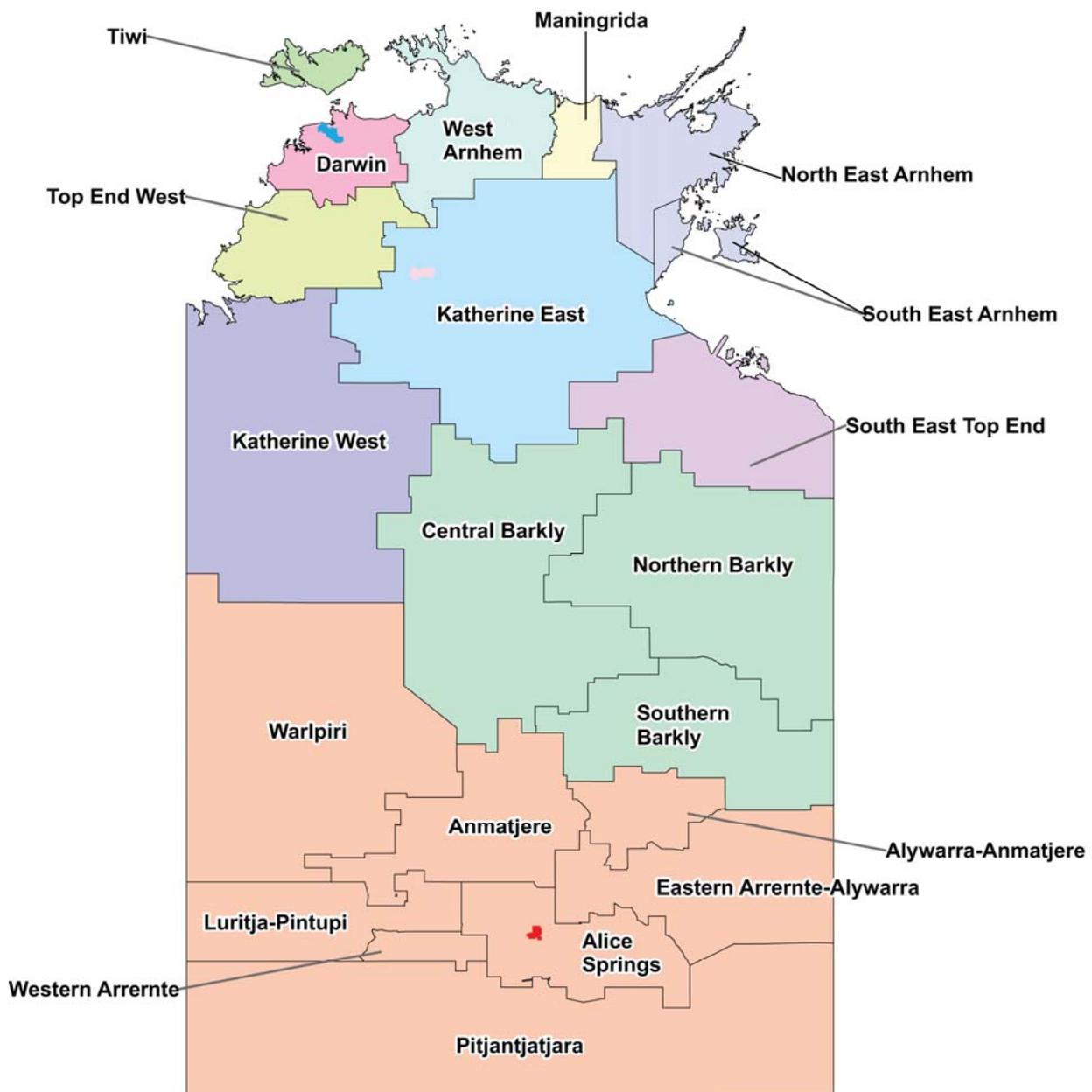
If you have any further information about this community that would be useful to add to this profile please contact RAHC via: enquiries@rahc.com.au or call 1300 MYRAHC.

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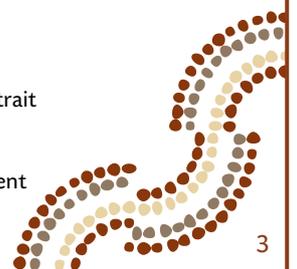


Legend

	Alice Springs Urban		Katherine East
	Barkly		Katherine Urban
	Borroloola Area		Katherine West
	Central Australia		Maningrida
	Darwin Rural		Tiwi
	Darwin Urban		Top End West
	East Arnhem		West Arnhem

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 & Implementation Section (2008) Map of the Northern Territory.

The depicted areas are for the purpose of the Remote Area Health Corps Community Profiles alone, and do not represent any Aboriginal language group, land or cultural group boundaries.



Luritja-Pintupi Area Profile

This map of the Central Australia – Luritja-Pintupi Area has been taken from the map of the Northern Territory, adapted from the OATSIH Program Management & Implementation Section (2008) Map of the Northern Territory.



Major Communities		
Name	Population	Resource Centre
Kintore (Walungurru)	450	MacDonnell Shire Council
Mount Liebig (Amunturrngu)	280	
Papunya	400	
Haasts Bluff (Ikuntji)	200	

*The population figures refer to the number of Aboriginal peoples living in the community, and are estimates only.

It should be noted that in many Aboriginal communities, population figures can fluctuate dramatically, due to a number of factors including seasonal changes (wet and dry seasons), and ceremonial activity.

Communities can also known by several names – this may include the European name given to it after colonisation, and several Aboriginal names.

Languages in the Region

The below languages are present in the Luritja-Pintupi region. However it should be noted that as a result of colonisation, the growth of towns, and the transient nature of some Aboriginal peoples, there may be many different Aboriginal languages evident in a given area.

Alyawarre	Kutkatja	Warlpiri
Anmatyerre	Mudbarra	Warnmanpa
Central Arrernte	Luritja	Warrumungu
Eastern Arrernte	Ngaanyatjarra	Western Arrernte
Jingili	Pintubi	Yankunytjatjara
Kaititj	Pitjantjatjara	Wuriaki
Ngaatjatjarra	Southern Arrernte	
Pertame	Wambaya	

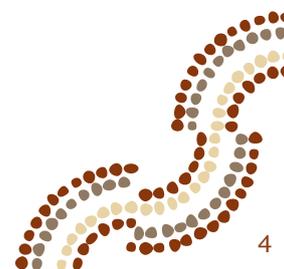
Aboriginal Interpreter Service

www.dlghs.nt.gov.au/ais

NT Dept of Local Govt & Housing

Central booking service 08 8999 8353

The AIS Provides 24 hours 7 days a week central booking service.



Kintore (Walungurru)

History

Walungurru aka Kintore is situated 530 kilometres west of Alice Springs in the Pintupi Homelands, nestled at the base of culturally important hills, Pulikatjara, meaning two hills. The population is around 450 and mostly made up of Pintupi people with a small population of Walpiri people. The community dates back to 1981 when the Pintupi moved back from Papunya. The main language spoken is Pintupi/Luritja, with other languages such as Warlpiri, Arranda and Pitjantjatjara also spoken. Often English is a third or fourth language of a community member.



The population varies upon cultural requirements and numbers vary between 300 to 600 Aboriginal people, averaging a usual population of around 400. There is an average of about 20 non indigenous people living in the community. Most work at the Clinic, School, and Community Council Papunya Tula (Art Centre) the Police Station and the Women's Centre.

Governance

A Government Business Manager through the Northern Territory Emergency Response (NTER) oversees the community for the Commonwealth Government. The Pintupi Homelands Health Council is responsible for the Health Centre's management.

Access

The Community is situated approximately 530km's west of Alice Springs and approximately 34km's east of the Western Australia/Northern Territory Borders. Heavy rain, although rare will close the road. There is an all weather sealed airstrip 1.3km's in length where the mail plane lands once a week on Wednesdays. In addition, ABC Transport brings in freight on a fortnightly basis and the Centre Bush Bus provides twice weekly public transportation to and from Alice Springs.

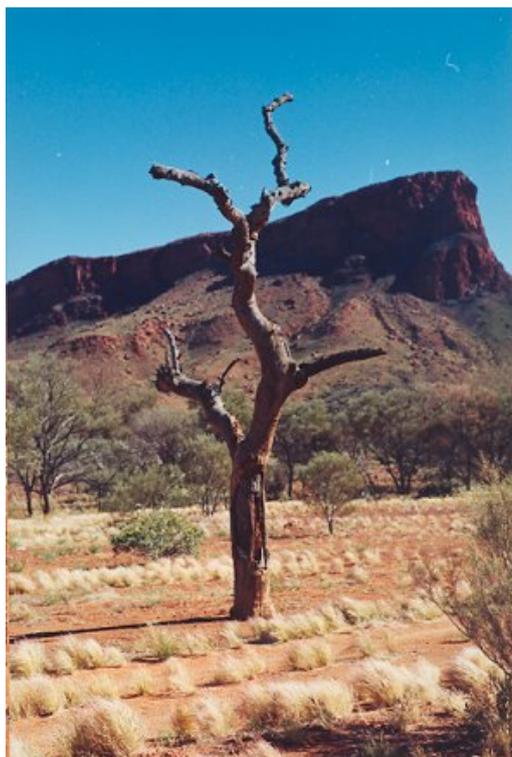
Communications and IT

The over the air TV Channels received are; Imparja (Nine), Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC), Southern Cross (Seven Central), National Indigenous Television and Special Broadcasting Service (SBS). Austar satellite TV is also available.

Kintore receives two FM radio broadcasts. ABC radio [FM 106.11 and CAAMA radio [FM 102.9].

All accommodation is equipped with telephones that are free for reasonable use. There is no mobile phone service for hundreds of kilometres in any direction.

All accommodation has internet access which is supplied by the Federal Government, while being free it also has certain restrictions in place.



Forbidden Places

There are many areas in the immediate vicinity of Kintore environment into which it is culturally unacceptable to go. In fact it is forbidden. Intentional or accidental straying into these areas will more than likely result in your immediate departure from the community (and Aboriginal land) and possible physical retribution. It is permissible to walk around as long as you remain within the confines of the Kintore community. Many areas outside of the community are also free to venture to walk or run, always consult a local person as to where it is permissible to go. The usual personal safety precautions need to be observed particularly after dark. Travel outside Kintore is encouraged by the locals once they get to know you. There are many nice places to visit and the locals are often keen to show you their country or to take you hunting.



Health Centre

The clinic is a large building built in 2003 with five (5) medical examination rooms and an Emergency Room; in addition a Medical Records, Pathology, Pharmacy, Reception, Dialysis (Operated by the Western Desert Renal Dialysis Group), Meeting/Conference, IT, Administrative, Receptionist and Waiting areas also exist to provide services.

Pintupi Health Service has a fulltime General Practitioner and at least 2 Remote Area Nurses as well as five Aboriginal Health Workers.

All after hours services are provided by a Nurse/Doctor. Emergency evacuations are carried out through coordination of the District Medical Officer (DMO) and the Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS).

For more information on the health centre visit: www.pintubihealth.com.au/aboutus.html

NB. *Always check with your RAHC consultant prior to deployment to confirm current staffing levels.*

Accommodation & Food

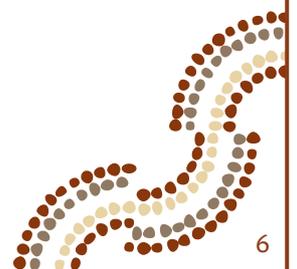
Accommodation will be either a three bedroom house, or a single bedroom apartment (both with secured yard) that is fully equipped including linen, however you may wish to bring your own.

There is an ATM in the Community Store. Please keep in mind that variety in the store is limited so if you have any special dietary requirements or specialty items you may want to bring these with you.

Keeping the Peace

There is a police station at Kintore staffed by both NT & WA police services. Kintore is usually a peaceful community which has been subject to minor unrest.

NB. Kintore is a dry community and it is against the law for anyone to bring alcohol into the area.



Getting Advice

The following organisations and contact numbers may be useful in locating sources of advice about Kintore. Care has been taken to ensure these details are correct, however unfortunately some may change or be unattended.

Pintubi Homelands Health Service– Kintore (Wulungurra)

PMB 145 Kintore via Alice Springs NT 0872

Ph: 08 8956 8593 (Clinic)

Ph: 08 8956 8577 (Admin)

www.pintubihealth.com.au

kintore_admin@bigpond.com

Cares for Walungurra population

Staff include Medical Officer, Nurses and Aboriginal Health Workers

Services include health clinic, renal dialysis unit operating from the clinic, and a women's centre.

Ngintaka Womens Council

PMB 13 Kintore NT 0872

Ph: 08 8956 8759

MacDonnell Shire Council

First Floor Alice Plaza Todd Mall Alice Springs NT 0870

Ph: 1300 360 959

info@macdonnell.nt.gov.au

