

## Atitjere Central

### Community Profile

- Pronunciation:** A-tit-ge-rare

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- Alternate name:** Arltarpilta, Hart Range and Harts Range

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- Location:** Atitjere is 215km northeast of Alice Springs

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- NT Region:** Central

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- Population:** Approx. 260 residents

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- Access:** Road and air

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- Language groups:** Eastern Arrernte

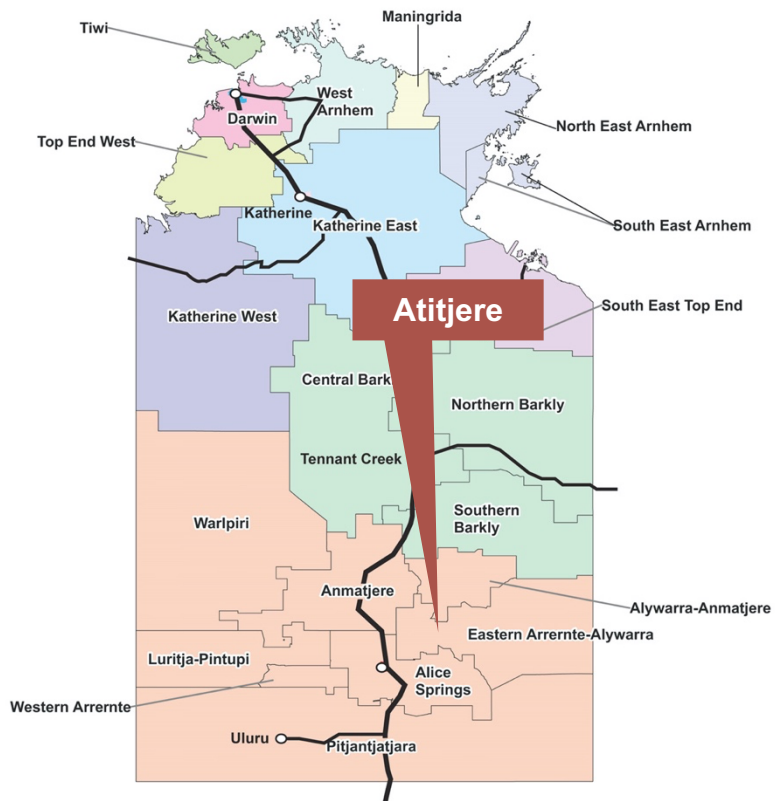
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- Phone:** 4G Telstra

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- Internet:** Only personal use of internet in the accommodation

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### Climate (Central)

Season	Description	Temp. Range
<b>Winter (June to August)</b>	<b>Cooler and dry</b>	<b>-7°C to 32°C</b>
<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>	
<b>Summer (December to February)</b>	<b>Hot and dry</b>	<b>16°C to 45°C</b>
<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.

<b>Opening hours</b>	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.

<b>Opening hours</b>	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](mailto: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		
<b>Mobile phone<sup>1</sup>/phone</b>	4G Telstra	
<b>Internet</b>	Yes, personal use is available.with WIFI available 24/7.	
<b>Mail</b>	<b>Harts Range (Atitjere) CPA</b>	<b>Telephone</b> (08) 8956 9787
	Lot 106 Mica Road, Atitjere NT 0872	
	<b>Opening hours</b>	Monday - Sunday 8:00am – 4:30pm
Access		
<b>Road</b>	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.	
<b>Air</b>	The aerodrome is unsealed and is located 2.5km from the community.	
<b>Regular passenger transport</b>	<b>Centre Bush Bus</b>	<b>Telephone</b> (08) 8953 0127
	Services the community every Tuesday and Thursday for transport to and from Alice Springs.	
Health centre		
<b>Health service<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Atitjere (Harts Range) Community Health Centre</b> Department of Health Plenty Highway, Atitjere NT 0872	<b>Telephone</b> (08) 8956 9778 <b>Email</b> hartsrange.clinicmgr@nt.gov.au <b>Web</b> www.health.nt.gov.au
	<b>Operating hours</b>	Monday – Friday Saturday – Sunday 9:00am – 4:00pm Closed
	<b>Facilities</b>	One emergency room and two 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 has two vehicles one of which is 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>	GPs are a visiting service.	
<b>Visiting services</b>	Visiting services include Dietician, Midwife, Maternal and Child Health Specialist, Podiatry, Dental, Nutritionist and Hearing Health, Optometrists and Public Health Nurses.	
<b>Acute care</b>	Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS)	
<b>Other</b>	Birthing women birth in Alice Springs.	

<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.

<sup>3</sup> Training should be arranged before your arrival in the community.

## Alcohol

**Alcohol<sup>4</sup>** 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

**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.*

<sup>4</sup> It is an offence to consume or bring alcohol into a dry community in the Northern Territory.