

Milikapiti *Top End*

Community Profile

- Pronunciation:** Mili-ka-piti

- Alternate name:** Snake Bay

- Location:** 105km north of Darwin

- NT Region:** Top End

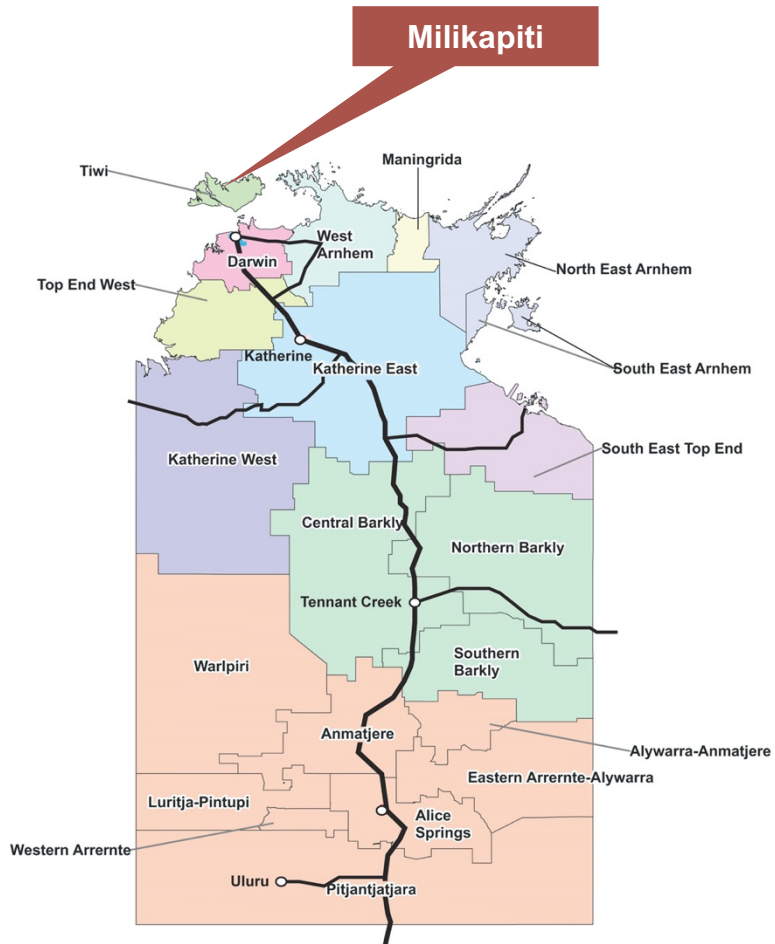
- Population:** Approx. 470 residents

- Access:** Air and sea

- Language groups:** Tiwi Modern and Traditional

- Phone:** 4G Telstra

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



Climate (Top End)

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

Infrastructure, facilities, and services

Community

Church: No

Community halls or sheds: Yes

Workforce skills or training facilities: Yes, Tiwi Islands Training and Employment Board.

School: Yes

Library: Yes

Council Office: Yes

Women's Centre: Yes

Childcare Centre: Yes

Aged Care Centre: No

Community Safety: Yes, Community Care Program.

Banking: Yes, ATM located at the store.

Recreational/other facilities: Milikapiti has a recreation hall and a sports oval which facilitates a football sports club and a social club. Visitors to the community are welcomed to the Jilmara Arts and Crafts centre located within the community. Milikapiti also has great fishing and camping spots close by.

Community store

Milikapiti Store

Telephone (08) 8978 3705

LOT 219 Milikapiti Comm, Milikapiti NT 0822

The store stocks fresh fruit and vegetables, dairy products, bread, and dry goods. As well as household items and cleaning products.

Opening hours	Monday – Friday	9:00am – 4:00pm
	Saturday	9:00am – 12:00pm
	Sunday	Closed

Other food outlets

Milikapiti Store Takeaway

The takeaway store provides healthy options with a variety of salads and sandwiches, homemade dishes, cooked vegetables, pizza and pasta, roasts, oven baked dishes and some fried foods.

Opening hours	Monday – Friday	9:00am – 4:00pm
	Saturday	9:00am – 12:00pm
	Sunday	Closed

Food orders

Woolworths

Telephone (08) 89959308

Web www.woolworthsonline.com.au

Coles

Telephone (08) 89418055

Web www.colesonline.com.au

Sea Swift

Telephone 1800 424 422

Web www.seaswift.com.au

Food orders can be placed with Coles or Woolworths online for delivery with Sea Swift.

Commercial accommodation

Milikapiti Visitor Accommodation Centre.

Telephone (08) 8979 0312

The accommodation centre has 18 rooms with common facilities available to be booked via telephone.

Fuel**Tiwi Regional Council**

Milikapiti Access, Milikapiti NT 0822

Muluwurrampi Enterprises

Lot 188 Milikapiti, NT 0822

Opal and Diesel fuels are available in the community.

Police station	Milikapiti Police Station	Telephone (08) 8970 9056
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Community Safety	Milikapiti has a Community Safety Service
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Other police contract	Police assistance line	Telephone 131 444
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Telephone/internet/mail

Mobile phone¹/phone	4G Telstra
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Internet	Yes, personal use is available.
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Mail	Milikapiti (Melville Is) CPA	Telephone (08) 8978 3958
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Milikapiti Snake Bay Melville Island Via Darwin Mc, NT 0822.

Access

Barge	Sea Swift has a weekly service to Milikapiti every Friday from Darwin.	Telephone (08) 8935 2400
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Air	Fly Tiwi Airlines services Milikapiti with a 25-minute flight from Darwin to Milikapiti. The airstrip is sealed and is located approximately 2.5km from the community.
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Regular passenger transport	Tuparipiya Bus Service	Telephone 0428 201 126
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	Sealink Northern Territory	Email milikapiti@tiwienterprises.com
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Passenger Ferry operates on Thursday, Friday, and Sunday between Darwin and Wurrumiyanga taking approx. 2.5hrs each way. The ferry departure point to Wurrumiyanga, is in Cullen Bay.

Health centre

Health service²	Milikapiti Community Health Centre	Telephone (08) 8978 3950
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Lot 398, Milikapiti Community, Milikapiti, NT, 0822

Email milikapiti.clinicmgr@nt.gov.au**Web** www.health.nt.gov.au

Operating hours	Monday – Friday	9:00am – 12:00pm
	Saturday	1:00pm – 4:00pm
	Sunday	Closed

Facilities

There are seven consult rooms, one treatment room, one dental room and one emergency room.

On-call services	Yes, 24/7 on-call service.
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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.

Medical Records System³	PCIS
Vehicles	The health centre maintains a Toyota Troop Carrier that has been converted for use as an ambulance. **Note: All Troop Carriers are 4WD, manual and take DIESEL fuel.
GPs	GPs visit up to three times a week.
Visiting services	Visiting services to Milikapiti include a Dietician, Midwife, Podiatry, Dental, Women's Health Professionals, Mental Health Professionals, and a Hearing Health Team.
Acute care	Care Flight
Other	Birthing women birth in Darwin.
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 Tiwi Islands Council. Land Council is the Tiwi Land Council.
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.

³ Training should be arranged before your arrival in the community.

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