**Uluru**


**Where is it?**
The Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park is in central Australian desert, in the Northern Territory.

![Map of Australia with Uluru marked](map.png)

**Uluru** used to be known as Ayers Rock. **(Kata Tjuta** used to be known as the Olgas.)

The area is sacred (holy) and very special to Aboriginal people. It is known for the Aboriginal rock art. Sadly, as there have been too many visitors and some paintings have been destroyed.

![Aboriginal rock art](art.png)

**What is it?**
Uluru is Australia’s largest single rock, and probably one of the best-known natural landmarks in the world.

**How big?**
The rock is 358 metres tall.
It is 3.1 kilometres wide.
Visitors can climb the rock – it takes two hours to get up and down. It is also possible to walk around the rock.

**What’s it made of**

Uluru is made of sandstone with a lot of iron in. The iron is what gives Uluru its red colour. The colours are most beautiful at sunrise and sunset.

Uluru is over 500 million years old.

When it rains, Uluru has many waterfalls and rockpools form around the bottom of the rock.