

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO ULURU - KATA TJUTA NATIONAL PARK, AUSTRALIA

LOCATION: Uluru - Kata Tjuta National Park is located in the southwestern corner of the Northern Territory. Uluru is the Anangu name for Ayer's Rock, and Kata Tjuta is the name for Mount Olga. The area is situated on the eastern edge of the Gibson Desert. The local vegetation is largely a *spinifex* grassland with scattered clumps of desert oaks and *mulga* where water is somewhat more plentiful. Elevations in Yulara are around 1,700 feet above sea level, rising to some 3,507 feet in elevations at the summit of Mount Olga. Climbing Ayers Rock is contrary to Anangu religious beliefs, and they would prefer if you restrained yourself. T-shirts saying, "I Didn't Climb Ayers Rock", are available.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	13:31	12:58	12:16	11:32	10:55	10:37	10:44	11:15	11:56	12:40	13:20	13:41
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	10:10	9:55	9:31	9:22	8:16	8:23	9:02	9:40	10:04	10:22	10:21	10:06
AREA OF BLUE SKY	66%	65%	72%	71%	69%	72%	79%	82%	81%	74%	68%	64%
LOW FOR MONTH	60°	60°	55°	46°	38°	33°	31°	34°	39°	47°	53°	57°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	73°	71°	67°	58°	50°	44°	42°	46°	53°	60°	66°	70°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	98°	96°	92°	83°	74°	68°	67°	72°	80°	88°	93°	96°
HIGH FOR MONTH	108°	105°	102°	94°	86°	79°	80°	86°	94°	101°	105°	107°
FROSTY MORNINGS	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	6%	8%	3%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	87%	82%	67%	23%	1%	0%	0%	1%	14%	48%	69%	84%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	21%	23%	24%	26%	30%	34%	30%	25%	20%	19%	19%	19%
DRY DAYS	85%	86%	88%	92%	89%	90%	93%	92%	93%	89%	84%	83%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	92%	91%	94%	96%	95%	95%	98%	96%	97%	95%	92%	92%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.22	0.28	0.19	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.06	0.07	0.06	0.09	0.16	0.21
DAYS WITH SOME SNOW	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
DAYS WITH SOME THUNDER	12%	10%	4%	3%	2%	1%	1%	2%	4%	9%	16%	18%
DAYS WITH SOME FOG	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine is likely on 79% of the year's daylight hours. This might range from a low of 74% in December, to a high of 86% in August. The year's lowest temperature should be close to 30°, and the highest should be near 109°. Sensible afternoon temperatures (the ones you feel) will be four to five degrees cooler than actual ones throughout the year. Rainfall is extremely variable, with some years getting none at all. Indeed, many years in a row can pass without a drop of rain. The likely amounts shown are taken from very wide variations. When rain does fall, it tends to be in the form of heavy, brief showers.