

The Australian Outback — Knowledge Organiser

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Key facts

- The Outback is the huge, dry, remote interior of Australia, far from the coast.
- It covers most of the continent but very few people live there.
- Summers are extremely hot, and rain is rare.
- Most Australians live near the coast, not in the Outback.

Key vocabulary

- Remote — far away from towns and cities.
- Drought — a long period with little or no rain.
- Station — a very large Australian farm for cattle or sheep.
- Bush — the Australian countryside and wild areas.

Living in the Outback

Because towns are so far apart, Outback children may learn through the School of the Air (by radio and internet), and the Royal Flying Doctor Service brings medical help by plane. Cattle stations can be larger than some countries.

Wildlife

Animals like kangaroos, emus, dingoes and many reptiles are well suited to the hot, dry conditions, often resting in shade by day and moving at night.