

Alice Springs Beanie Festival

'Colours of the Country' Touring Exhibition

Tell a beanie story

Each beanie tells a story. Beanie makers have lots of creative ideas about what their beanies mean. Read the story for the first beanie pictured.



'Cracker Night'

by Merran Hughes, NSW

The Beanie Festival often coincides with Territory Day, which in the Northern Territory is also Cracker Night! A time when friends and families gather - often around bonfires - and light up the starry skies with fire crackers, fountains, ground spinners, pinwheels and roman candles. There's noise and chaos, loud bangs, barking dogs, and lots of laughter amid the gorgeous explosions of colour and craziness. It is so much fun but also feels a bit out of control. It is often freezing on Cracker Night in Alice Springs and of course everyone wears their new beanies from the festival to keep warm while they are running around being wild. This beanie is about how Cracker Night and the Beanie Festival go together.

Write a story that you think matches the beanies below:

'One of the girls IV'

By Tjunakaya Tapaya

Story 1:



'Winter in Alice'

by Megan Jack, Australian nomad

Story 2: