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Canvas Size 46 x 30 cm

Jukurrpa Pikilyi Jukurrpa (Vaughan Springs Dreaming) - Rainbow Serpents

Story

The country associated with this Jukurrpa, Pikilyi, also known as Vaughan Springs, is situated west of Yuendumu. This Dreaming belongs to Napangardi/Napanangka women and Japangardi/Japanangka men.

Pikilyi is the home of two 'rainbow serpent' ancestors (Napanangka and Japangardi, a classificatory taboo relationship) whose spirits entered the ground and continue to live there in the fresh water springs. At Pikilyi, Napanangka and Napangardi women would sit around the serpents, removing lice. In turn, the serpents allowed them to drink the water from the springs, as they are the guardians of the water and surrounding country.



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