



Recommended Arizona Sites

Local Attractions

MIM (Musical Instrument Museum) – World's first global musical instrument museum, celebrating diversity of the world's cultures through music, common to everyone, with a collection totaling more than 10,000 musical instruments and objects. Multimedia exhibits feature the sounds and styles of instruments from individual countries. The music theater features spacious seating, exceptional acoustics with a full schedule of concerts, films, lectures and educational activities. See concierge for details.

Desert Botanical Gardens – The garden's 145 acres showcase 4000 species of plant life native to arid lands around the world and our Sonoran Desert. Hours vary by season.

Butterfly Wonderland – Enter into the largest butterfly atrium in America featuring a lush, rainforest environment with thousands of butterflies from around the world flying freely, landing on flowering plants and even on visitors' shoulders and fingers. Afterwards, a walk through the mirror mazes offers an adventure for the mind and body. Or, enter the laser room, navigating through the puzzle of lasers as quickly as possible.

Taliesin West – Famed architect Frank Lloyd Wright's residence was created in 1937 out of the rocks and sand from desert washes. The site still serves as a living and working architectural school. Tours daily – reservations required. See concierge to book your tour.

Canyon Lake / Apache Trail – Cruise the secluded inner waterways of the "Junior Grand Canyon" on Dolly the Steamboat at Canyon Lake. Cruises are available daily at noon & 2pm. A car ride along the Apache Trail will take you through some of the most breathtaking and beautiful country on earth.

Cosanti - Studio of environmental architect Paolo Soleri. Watch ceramic and bronze wind bells being made. Admission is complimentary and tours are self guided.

Heard Museum – Internationally-recognized museum of anthropology and primitive art, and regarded as the premier Native American history and culture museum. Outstanding displays of Southwest Indian arts and crafts with detailed explanation of tribal origins and customs. The museum is located just blocks from the Phoenix Art Museum.

Phoenix Art Museum – The Southwest's largest visual arts museum features painting, sculpture, photography, fashion design, and decorative objects dating from the 14th century. Significant collection of Western American, American, Spanish, Colonial, European and Asian 20th century art and historic interiors are on view. Located just blocks from Heard Museum.

Phoenix Zoo - Rated among the top 10 zoos in the United States. A special Arizona exhibit includes native desert plants and animals. A new children's zoo is also a special attraction.

Pueblo Grande Museum and Cultural Park – Visit this fantastic archeological dig site where you can see the original settlement of Phoenix from 1400AD. The museum is located near Sky Harbor International Airport.

Rawhide - Step back in time to Arizona's 1810 town. Authenticity is the theme here with dirt streets, wooden boardwalks, and original buildings. Visit the shops, pan for gold, tour the museum, or stop by the Golden Belle for a thick cowboy steak. Stunt shows and shoot-outs add to the excitement. Hours vary by season, evenings only in summer months. Admission and parking are complimentary.

Western Spirit Museum – This museum celebrates the West and its importance, not through objects but rather through ideas. It offers high-quality exhibitions, educational programs and regional history, through art, interactive experiences and events.

Day Trips

Grand Canyon

Luxury Van Tours offer 11-13 hour fully guided tours along the South Rim in comfort with a side trip through Sedona's Red Rock country. Or visit the Grand Canyon by plane for a trip lasting from 3 to 7 hours.

Sedona and Oak Creek Canyon

A beautiful and very scenic artistic community located in Red Rock country. Enjoy shopping, jeep tours, hiking, swimming and fishing. The 100-mile trip is approximately a 2½ hour drive from the resort. Luxury van and private guided tours are available, leaving the resort at about 7am, returning at approximately 5pm. Allow 6 to 8 hours for your enjoyable visit.

Payson

Settled on the Mogollion rim, Payson sits at an elevation of 5000 feet and is in one of the world's largest forests of Ponderosa Pines. Take in scenic views, antique shops, and the Tonto Natural Bridge State Park. Drive time from the resort is about 1¼ hours.

Wickenburg

Historic old western town once dubbed "The Dude Ranch Capital of the World." Stop at the Desert Caballeros Western Museum or enjoy the wildlife at the Hassayampa River Preserve. Wickenburg is about 1½ hours from the resort.

Prescott

Once the State Capital and home of the "World's Oldest Rodeo," Prescott is less than a 2 hour drive from the resort. It has many historic sites, museums, beautiful Victorian homes and saloons. The Sharlot Hall Museum displays the Arizona of yesterday in its beautifully maintained grounds and exhibits.

The Apache Trail

The Apache Trail travels past the majestic Superstition Mountains. Stop at Tortilla Flat, population 6! Enjoy a picnic lunch at Rattlesnake Cove, short desert walks, or a 90 minute narrated tour of Canyon Lake aboard Dolly's Steamboat. This is a full day trip - allow at least 6 to 7 hours for this excursion.

Please see the Concierge Desk for pricing and additional information.

Museum hours and entry costs are subject to change *seasonally*. Please check with the concierge desk prior to visiting for up to date hours or costs.