

ARIZONA

THE GRAND CANYON STATE



Urban and Rural Luxury Experiences in Arizona

Arizona is known for its unique experiences and for those looking to take the luxury route, Arizona has everything from dude ranches to glamping and touring world-renowned wineries (and everything in between). Here are just a few:

Helicopter and Airplane Tours: Private plane and helicopter tours in and around [Page](#) are available from Page Municipal Airport. Page is located in northern Arizona, where you can fly over geographic wonders and iconic landscapes such as Lake Powell, Horseshoe Bend, Tower Butte and Glen Canyon Dam.

Hot Air Balloon Rides: Breathtaking views of Arizona's diverse and unique topography can be taken in on a hot air balloon ride! Views of Lake Havasu and London Bridge can be seen with [Wanderlust Balloons](#), followed by a picnic or champagne brunch. [Rainbow Ryders](#) offers sunrise and sunset private tours over the metro Phoenix desert. [Hot Air Expeditions](#) offers flights over Phoenix and Tucson and can help celebrate special occasions with basket banners, cake and champagne flutes.

Dude Ranch Horseback Riding: Just 60 miles from Phoenix in the town of Wickenburg, [Rancho de los Caballeros](#) operates on 20,000 acres in the Sonoran Desert. Guests can go horseback riding, hiking and off-roading. They can also visit their full-service spa, pool and 18-hole golf course. [Tanque Verde Ranch](#) in Tucson is a dude ranch/spa hybrid that offers horseback riding, hiking, biking, fishing or poolside lounging. They also have a "Harmony with Horses" class to learn all there is to know about riding horses.

Wine: In Arizona's high deserts, three major grape-growing regions have taken root – [Sonoita](#), [Willcox](#), and [Verde Valley](#). Locally made wines have earned international acclaim, won numerous awards, and have even been served in the White House. [Sedona Wine Adventures](#) offers private and personalized outings to Arizona wineries and tasting rooms throughout the Verde Valley, [Arizona Winery Tours](#) offers all-inclusive, private wine tasting tours in both northern (Verde Valley) and southern (Sonoita/Willcox) Arizona, and [Diamond Transportation Winery Tours](#) offers private and customized tours in southern Arizona.

Private and Charter Trains, Planes and Automobiles: Just last year, [Rail Baron Charter](#) introduced an unforgettable experience – chartering a private train to the Grand Canyon from Williams, AZ, with its entertaining staff guiding guests through views of the old West. [Westwind Air Service](#) offers unforgettable aerial tours throughout Arizona which can be combined with ground tours and [Detours American West](#) provides private custom day tours from Phoenix.

Glamping: Arizona is the ultimate glamping destination! Not only are the glamping experiences top notch, but it gets 330 days of sunshine every year. [Arizona Luxury Expeditions](#) brings the glamp site to any location in Arizona, specializing in the Grand Canyon, Monument Valley, Page and Sedona. They also provide a concierge service to prepare meals and assist as professional guides/activity planners. [Grand Canyon Under Canvas](#) is an exclusive glamping site situated on 160 secluded acres of pinon and juniper forest near the Grand Canyon, with five different lodging options.

Spas: Known as one of the world’s wellness hubs, Arizona does not fall short when it comes to spa experiences. Three Arizona spas – [The Phoenician Spa](#) in Scottsdale, [The Ritz-Carlton Dove Mountain Spa](#) in Tucson and [Aji Spa](#) at the Sheraton Grand at Wild Horse Pass in Chandler – earned the 2020 Forbes Five-Star award, a rating given to just 85 spas worldwide. In Tucson, wellness vacations take on new meaning at the world-renowned spas at [Canyon Ranch](#) and [Miraval Resort](#).

Golf Courses: Arizona is a year-round favorite destination among golfers with plenty of diverse golf courses throughout the state. [Ventana Canyon](#) golf course and lodge in Tucson was rated as the best golf course in Arizona by *Golfweek* Magazine. Two of Tom Fazio’s 18-hole championship golf courses are located on this 600 acre pristine desert preserve. [The Boulders Golf Course](#) offers private training golf packages from top instructors including Donald Crawley, who was ranked as one of the top 100 teachers in Arizona by *Golf* Magazine. Guests can make a weekend of it by staying in one of their private villas or haciendas.

Fine Dining: Arizona’s culinary scene is flavorful and indigenous to the region with a strong focus on sourcing local ingredients. Inspired by the culinary traditions of Arizona’s American Indian tribes, Mexican cuisine, and the farm-to-table concept, a number of foodie destinations have popped up around the state. Some of the most well-known establishments include:

- [Kai at Wild Horse Pass](#), a AAA Five Diamond and a Forbes 5 Star restaurant (the only restaurant to receive both awards in Arizona), utilizes the essence of the Pima and Maricopa tribes along with locally harvested ingredients from the Gila River Indian community.
- [Different Pointe of View](#) is located on the top of North Mountain in Phoenix and has been a AAA Four Diamond restaurant for 30 consecutive years. It fuses creative cuisine incorporating locally and regionally sourced ingredients with unparalleled views of Phoenix.
- Located on the Farm at South Mountain, [Quiessence at the Farm](#), is a AAA Four Diamond restaurant specializing in seasonally-inspired locally-produced cuisine. Their on-site Soil and Seed Garden is overseen by Chef Dustin, who uses the fresh produce grown in this garden as inspiration for each meal.
- Travel back in time by visiting historical [The Grill at Hacienda Del Sol](#) in Tucson, a AAA Four Diamond restaurant that combines tasty food, stunning historical architecture, breathtaking views of the desert and music performed by local artists.
- [FnB](#) is Scottsdale’s highly acclaimed and multiple award-winning farm-to-table establishment, featuring seasonal menus showcasing the best of Arizona’s agricultural communities. Chef Charleen Badman was the winner of the Best Chef - Southwest category at the 2019 James Beard awards. Front of House Manager/Beverage Director, Pavle Milic, contributed to FnB’s

national recognition by creating the first Arizona-exclusive wine program, highlighting the state's renowned wine regions.

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Appreciate AZ: The Arizona Office of Tourism and the Leave No Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics have forged a partnership to promote sustainable tourism practices across Arizona's spectacular landscapes and unique destinations. In addition to following local rules and regulations, it's important to understand the principles of Leave No Trace, which are guidelines that help protect beautiful, wild spaces. These include such things as plan and prepare, stick to trails, trash your trash, leave what you find, be careful with fire, respect wildlife, and share the outdoors. [Appreciate AZ](#) is Arizona's program for responsible tourism. It ensures we are doing our part to educate visitors and residents on how to recreate responsibly and to keep our state beautiful for future generations. If we do our part to take care of our public lands, we will have the privilege of enjoying them for many years to come. Thank you for doing your part to keep Arizona beautiful!

Please note: For visitor guidance due to COVID-19 such as mask-wearing, a list of tourism-related re-openings or closures, and a link to public health guidelines, click here:

<https://www.visitarizona.com/covid-19/>. Some attractions are open year-round and some are open seasonally or move to seasonal hours. To ensure the places you want to see are open on your travel dates, please check their website for hours of operation.

Additional information can be found on our website:

<https://www.visitarizona.com>