# **NEW MEXICO**

## CUISINE

- Unlike anything else in the country
- Blend of Spanish and Native American flavors
- Chile capital of the world
- State fruit
- State question
- NM produces more than 66,000 tons annually
- James Beard Award winning chefs

### **OUTDOORS**

- 5th largest state in the nation
- Hiking, biking, fishing, rafting, skiing, horseback riding
- 15 national parks and monuments
- Rio Grande is the 4th longest river in the US
  - 8 ski resorts

#### **HISPANIC CULTURE**

- Flamenco Capital of America
- Tablao Flamenco Albuquerque
- National Hispanic Cultural Center
- Flamenco Festival is
  - the oldest and largest outside of Spain

#### **INDICENOUS CULTURE**

- Home to 23 Native American Tribes, Pueblos, and Nations
  - 19 Pueblos
  - 3 Apache Tribes
  - Navajo Nation
- Many began over 1,000 years ago
- Indian Pueblo Cultural Center in ABO
- Pueblos open to the public for specific events and weekends

# BALLOONING

- Albuquerque is the Ballooning Capital of the World!
- The weather is widely considered to be the best in the world for ballooning
- Balloon rallies in ABQ, Gallup, Elephant Butte, Angel Fire, Taos, and White Sands
- Balloon rides available vear-round

## **ROUTE 66**

- Home to one of the most iconic stretches of Route 66 in America
- Passes through Santa Rosa, Santa Fe, Tucumcari, Grants, ABQ, and Gallup
  - Stay at a restored Route 66 era motel
    - Celebrating the centennial in 2026
    - 465 miles





