Welcome to unrivaled mountain scenery in a stunning high desert landscape. Our spectacular terrain is the perfect setting for world-class hiking, biking, horseback riding and skiing. Add in four acclaimed golf courses and more than 300 days of sunshine, and it’s easy to see why Santa Fe County is one of *Time Magazine*’s picks for the World’s Greatest Places. One visit and you’ll also agree with *Travel and Leisure* when they say that Santa Fe is one of the 50 Most Romantic Getaways.

Get the App!
Elevate your adventures with the exciting new Santa Fe County Experience mobile app. With this app as your guide, it’s easy to find local businesses, outdoor adventures, day trips and so many other fun things to do. Designed for locals and visitors, the app gives you access to thrilling itineraries, authentic experiences and the great outdoors.
TABLE OF CONTENTS

✨ things to do

galleries 2
museums 4
native american culture 6
farmers’ markets 7
family adventures 8

✨ day trips

along the ale & spirits trail 10
world-class spas 14
exploring the turquoise trail 16
natural treasures 18
where traditions run deep 25
revitalizing a railroad town 26
outdoor adventure 28
artist studio tours 35

✨ map 36-37

✨ listings

world-class events 38
lodging 42
dining 46
outdoor and recreation 52

TODO LOCAL

In Spanish, Todo Local means “Everything Local,” and when you see this phrase in the pages of this guide, you’ll know that’s what we’re sharing with you — authentic recommendations from locals in the know, offering a uniquely insider’s perspective.

SantaFeNMTrue.com
THINGS TO DO

Allan Houser Sculpture Park and Gallery
Artists have long been drawn to the dramatic beauty of Santa Fe County, inspired by the region’s majestic mountains and mesas, stunning sunsets, and endless azure skies. You can view one-of-a-kind paintings, sculptures, photographs, fiber arts, wearable art and other work in an array of unique art galleries located in scenic spots, from the famous Canyon Road to historic mining towns, a 17th century Spanish village and along the scenic High Road to Taos.

Visit galleries showcasing work by generations of Navajo and Hispanic weavers as well as western, modern and contemporary painting, handcrafted jewelry and custom furniture, and art forms that are unique to this region. Stop by an artist’s studio to watch a weaver or glass blower at work.

Visit the Allan Houser Sculpture Park and Gallery, surrounded by natural beauty – just minutes from the historic Turquoise Trail.

There’s no end to the creativity on display in galleries around Santa Fe County. Who knows? Your visit may inspire you to pick up a paintbrush, camera, or other creative tool to express your inner artist. Find all the information you need about galleries located in Santa Fe County at: santafenmtrue.com/galleries.

**INSIDER TIP** It’s a longstanding tradition for art galleries in Santa Fe County to hold art openings on the first Friday nights of every month. Meet the artists, learn about their work and get a flavor for the vibrant local art scene.
INSIDER TIP  Museums in Santa Fe County offer an exciting variety of events year-round, from gala exhibit openings and annual events to lectures, concerts and much more. Check the online schedule of the museums you plan to visit to see what’s happening while you’re here. And visit our museum shops for treasures you won’t find anywhere else.
With more than a dozen museums, Santa Fe County offers miles of exploration devoted to the region’s unique history, art and culture. Whether you’re interested in ancient Pueblo people, the Spanish Colonial era, the region’s mining history or its Wild West days, you’ll discover all that and more in an impressive array of fascinating museums located around the County.

Head north to the Poeh Cultural Center, a Native American museum and gallery, highlighting history and traditional art forms such as micaceous pottery, Pueblo Polychrome pottery, hand-carved drums, moccasins and more. Don’t miss the permanent exhibit, “Di Wae Powa: They Came Back,” a historic collaboration between the museum and the Smithsonian Institution’s National Museum of the American Indian, which returned 100 pots of Tewa origin from six northern New Mexico pueblos dating back to the 19th and early 20th century. The pots, including pitchers, bowls, jars and wedding vases, are now back home, in the region where they were created, and on view in this moving exhibit.

You can also tour El Rancho de las Golondrinas, a living history museum devoted to the heritage and culture of 18th and 19th century New Mexico. Meet costumed docents who demonstrate what life was like on New Mexico’s early frontier and celebrate the region’s fascinating past and rich present at vibrant festivals held each year.

Stop at the Casa Grande Trading Post and Mining Museum in Cerrillos to learn about the old mining town’s history. View the world’s largest folk art collection at the Museum of International Folk Art. Immerse yourself in the history of New Mexico at the New Mexico History Museum and the Palace of the Governors.

For more information about museums in Santa Fe County, visit: santafenmtrue.com/museums.
Native American Culture in Santa Fe County offers a fascinating glimpse into ancient traditions and timeless religious ceremonies that are an important part of the history and culture. Past and present are interwoven in ceremonial dances and annual Feast days that pay tribute to patron saints of the Pueblos. Along with traditional Native American dances, Feast days include a bounty of Native foods, such as bread baked in a beehive-shaped outside oven called an horno, mutton stew, and chile, as well as arts and crafts by Pueblo people. A visit to a Pueblo to observe a traditional Native American dance ceremony is a powerful experience.

Each dance tells its own story and is performed for a specific purpose, based on the natural progressions of the sun, the moon, and the seasons. Each dance is like a prayer, full of spiritual significance for every dancer and drummer, so it’s important for visitors to be respectful.

Be sure to familiarize yourself with and observe Pueblo etiquette, as there are strict guidelines. For instance, no photography or recording is allowed, talking during a dance is not permitted, and it is not acceptable to walk into a home without an invitation.

Of the eight northern pueblos, five are located in Santa Fe County. Many have vibrant art communities and some offer world-class casinos.

**INSIDER TIP** Shop Pueblo pottery, textiles and jewelry at the Poeh Cultural Center’s Marketplace, as well as exclusive original works from local Native American artists that have been featured at the museum.
You’ll find a feast of local flavors at the farmers’ markets in Santa Fe County. Shop for everything from organic beef and poultry to a bounty of fresh produce, artisanal bread and cheese, gourmet salsas and other condiments and, of course, New Mexico’s famous chile – both green and red.

The Santa Fe Farmers’ Market is one of the oldest, largest, and most successful growers’ markets in the country. Ranked by Sunset Magazine as one of the “Top Ten Farmers’ Markets,” the year-round market held in the Santa Fe Railyard represents more than 130 farmers and producers in 15 northern New Mexico counties. This is where the community gathers on Saturday mornings during the summer. You’ll often see the area’s top chefs shopping the market early in the morning for that evening’s menu. The market is open year-round and includes a winter art market, as well.

The Eldorado Farmers’ Market is a great place to find fresh produce and dairy products, along with baked goods, jams and jellies, arts, crafts and more. Open seasonally on Friday afternoons, the market takes place in the parking lot at La Tienda at Eldorado Shopping Center, about a 15-minute drive from downtown Santa Fe.

When you shop at the Pueblo of Pojoaque Farmers’ and Crafts Market, you’ll find the freshest of vegetables, fruits, herbs, and other fare, all grown in the Pojoaque Valley and northern New Mexico. Choose from fava beans and sugar snap peas, cilantro and saffron, peaches and chokecherries. Native crafts and flowers are also offered at this seasonal market, which takes place at the Poeh Cultural Center in Pojoaque.

TODO LOCAL Early September is a favorite time of year to shop the farmers’ markets, as New Mexico’s famous fresh green chile is ready to harvest. The air is filled with the earthy aroma of chile roasting by vendors outside. Prized for its unique flavor, green chile is a staple in traditional northern New Mexico cuisine as well as contemporary fare. Discover more by visiting: santafenmtrue.com/farmers-markets.
family adventures

You’ve never seen anything like the fantastical, magical world brought to life by **Meow Wolf**. A collaborative group of young artists created these otherworldly interactive art installations. The support of George R.R. Martin, author of the fantasy series “A Song of Ice and Fire,” which was adapted into the “Game of Thrones” HBO series, brought Meow Wolf to life. For “House of Eternal Return,” the group transformed a bowling alley into an immersive hands-on journey that begins inside a Victorian mansion harboring a mind-bending mystery. As you follow the many clues, the house unfolds into twisting tunnels, secret passages and, ultimately, a parallel universe or two. Whether you solve the mystery or not, the point is to let your imagination run wild.

Children and families have been discovering the joys of learning, play and community at the **Santa Fe Children’s Museum** since it opened in 1985. With its giant sandpit, adobe playhouse, Southwest horticulture garden and greenhouse, puppet theater and other areas and activities, this popular museum delights all ages with its dynamic, hands-on, exploratory environment. Interactive exhibits and creative programs enhance the experience.

Encounter birds, bobcats, lizards and other creatures of the wild at the **New Mexico Wildlife Center**, devoted to the rehabilitation of native wild animals, native habitat conservation, and wildlife education. Meet more than 30 animals in their safe spaces on a wildlife walk. Learn more about our neighbors in nature during scheduled animal encounters, guided tours and other events. Check the website for details.

Connect with nature at the **Wildlife West Nature Park** in Edgewood. The 122-acre wildlife refuge park and enhanced zoo, operated by the New Mexico Wildlife Association, provides a habitat for 25 species of native rescued wildlife, including elk, mountain lions and black bears and a chance to see snowy and great horned owls along the Birding Trail. A wide range of native plants also is on display.
INSIDER TIP  Don’t miss Meow Wolf’s gleeful gift shop or the playful Float Cafe and Bar, where the imaginative adult beverages, coffee and other drinks look like they were concocted on another planet.

INSIDER TIP  The Wildlife West Nature Park hosts an array of fun family events, including summertime Chuckwagon Supper Shows, with a BBQ feast and a live music stage show. The September Harvest & Fiber Festival celebrates the area’s agriculture heritage and fiber art.
along the ale & spirits trail

Craft beer is big in Santa Fe County. Craft breweries, tap rooms and a flourishing locally grown hops movement make this the place to sip award-winning suds. If spirits are more your style, sample a beguiling beverage crafted by artisan distilleries, such as juniper-sage infused gin, apple brandy and agave spirit with a fruity cactus flavor. As you make your way along the Ale & Spirits Trail, you’ll also find live music, fantastic food, and brewery and distillery tours. This is one elevated experience you won’t want to miss. (Be sure to drink responsibly and choose a designated driver.)

new mexico’s original craft brewery

Start your ale adventure at Santa Fe Brewing Company, New Mexico’s oldest and biggest craft beer brewery. Launched in 1988 with the prized Santa Fe Pale Ale, Santa Fe Brewing Company’s 7K IPA is New Mexico’s best-selling craft beer. Try flagship beers such as Happy Camper IPA, seasonal ale and limited edition offerings with four varieties of hops grown on the brewery’s farm next to the Rio Grande. See the magic at work on a weekly tour of the brewery facility, and then sip some samples to find your favorite ales.

Check out the brewery’s Beer Hall at HQ, a sleek, multi-story venue with a 60,000-square-foot outdoor beer garden and two-level, 7,000-square-foot beer hall, with nearly 30 beers on tap as well as cider, wine, and pub grub. Nearby, The Bridge is a great music venue where you can catch top touring and local bands and musicians. Sample award-winning beer at the brewery’s lively Eldorado Taphouse, offering 14 taps of fresh beer in a shopping mall in the Eldorado community. In Santa Fe, the brewery’s Brakeroom taphouse occupies a former cabin where railroad brakemen used to sleep. Today, you’ll find 18 beers on tap inside and food trucks outside to ensure you’re well fed.
INSIDER TIP The Santa Fe Brewing Company offers free tours on Saturdays at noon. You’ll view the fermenters and tanks used in the production process and get a look at the packaging process. The half-hour tour ends in the tasting room, where you can sample some of New Mexico’s amazing ales.
farm to tap

Beer and pizza were meant for each other and out on the Turquoise Trail, the boisterous Beer Creek Brewing Company serves both up right. What began as a backyard home-brewing project among friends grew into this popular brewpub in Lone Butte, occupying a rambling stone building off of Highway 14.

Beer Creek’s rustic interior calls to mind a mountain lodge, while the sprawling patio is a great place to take in expansive mountain views. No matter where you end up, you’ll savor the flavor of locally farmed hops, as Beer Creek plays a major role in the locally grown hops movement, which co-owner Rich Headley coined the “Farm to Tap” movement. Beer Creek grows its own hops on Crossed Sabers Hops Co., a nearby four-acre farm. The brewery’s popular Bootlegger Blonde is not only made with Beer Creek’s hops, it’s a pure New Mexico beer crafted entirely with locally sourced ingredients. Try the specialty pizza – such as the Rio Grande with barbecued chicken, and The Rancher, a meat combo—or pasta, sandwiches and salads. Leave room for the green chile cheesecake, a dessert that locals love.
Tumbleroot Brewery and Distillery produces prized craft beer and artisan spirits such as whiskey, rum, gin and vodka made with organic and wild-harvested ingredients. Tumbleroot operates two venues – a brewing and distilling facility with a tasting room and a separate restaurant and taproom. Check out the intimate tasting room bar and bottle shop at 32 Bisbee Court, and sample the flagship Sunset Hazy IPA or Sunrise Lager while you watch the production process through picture windows. You can tour the facility on Wednesdays or Thursdays. Tumbleroot’s taproom and restaurant at 2791 Agua Fria Street is a hot spot for award-winning beverages, great food and live music.

TODO LOCAL Sip New Mexico craft beer and savor authentic regional foods at the annual New Mexico Beer and Food Festival: Panza Llena. It takes place outdoors at the acclaimed living history museum, El Rancho de las Golondrinas, in mid-August. As the Spanish proverb in the title indicates, you’ll leave with a “Full Belly, Happy Heart.”
Relax and rejuvenate your body, mind, and spirit with a getaway to one of Santa Fe County’s world-class spas and spa resorts. Ten Thousand Waves Spa and Resort, the Spa at Four Seasons Resort Rancho Encantado – Santa Fe, the Turquesa Healing Arts Studio at Bishop’s Lodge Auberge Resorts Collection – Santa Fe and Ojo Santa Fe Spa Resort all offer specialty spa treatments that will restore your soul, revive your body, and refresh your mind.

Soak in outdoor hot tubs nestled in alpine mountains at Ten Thousand Waves, inspired by traditional Japanese mountain hot spring resorts. Relax with a soothing massage or a facial. Then reinvigorate with sauna bathing, exfoliate with a Salt Glow body scrub, and enjoy an herbal wrap treatment.

The spa at Four Seasons Resort Rancho Encantado – Santa Fe offers regionally-inspired treatments. Soothe and balance your skin with a full body scrub and massage, integrated with their Enchanted Prickly Pear Oil infused with aloe and citrus essential oils. Then indulge in their signature back scrub, which is made with piñon nuts and enriched with mountain lavender.

Recharge and de-stress at the Turquesa Healing Arts Studio at Bishop’s Lodge Auberge Resorts Collection – Santa Fe. Choose from treatments inspired by nature and rooted in ancient ritual, such as the turquoise healing gem therapy and crystal bowl sound therapy. Start or end your day with an inspiring yoga session, and treat your body to a massage that incorporates healing botanicals.

At the tranquil oasis of Ojo Santa Fe Spa Resort, relax in the Repose Pools, blissful tubs of artesian spring-fed waters placed by the side of a peaceful pond, and then take a swim in the Saltwater Pool. Unwind in a private outdoor soaking pool or a mineral-infused soaking tub.

Your spa getaway will leave you feeling refreshed, revitalized and ready to explore all that Santa Fe County has to offer. Find more information at: santafenmtrue.com/spas.
INSIDER TIP  You’ll find an impressive array of spa treatments and services at Santa Fe County spas that reflect northern New Mexico, from massages with desert sage essential oils to blue corn and honey exfoliations.
exploring the turquoise trail

A drive along the 62-mile historic Turquoise Trail National Scenic Byway takes you into majestic mountain country and back through time to the days of the Wild West. Visit old mining towns once bustling with saloons, opera houses and vaudeville theaters that today, offer shops, galleries, restaurants and other local businesses. It's easy to imagine the gunslingers, outlaws, opera stars and coal miners of bygone eras as you travel this historic trail. At your journey's end, experience northern New Mexico's compelling past at an acclaimed living history museum.

Into The Old West

Start your adventure by taking Cerrillos Road (NM State Highway 14) south from Santa Fe. As soon as you drive under Interstate 25, you are on the Turquoise Trail National Scenic Byway. Your first stop is the Village of Cerrillos, once a booming frontier town. Stroll the streets to see historic buildings that now house local shops, a mercantile-fine art gallery, a Cerrillos turquoise mining museum, trading post and petting zoo, popular saloon-style restaurant and an old opera house. You can buy turquoise, mined in this area for more than a millennium at local shops. Take a picnic to Cerrillos Hills State Park, where you can learn more about the area's mining history, hike scenic trails to abandoned mines and enjoy breathtaking views of the Galisteo Basin.

An Old “Company Town”

Head south to Madrid, a small town with a big history. Gold fever broke out here in the mid-1800s followed by a boom in coal mining, transforming Madrid into a “company town.” Today, Madrid is filled with antique stores, galleries, boutiques, restaurants and other local businesses. For an authentic taste of this rowdy town, head to the historic Mine Shaft Tavern, where folks have bellied up to the 40-foot lodgepole pine bar to whet their whistle for decades.

Stop by the Visitor Center on Main Street to learn more about Madrid.

INSIDER TIP  Cerrillos was once considered the Capital of New Mexico. Today the tiny town, a picturesque reminder of the Old West, has provided the setting for more than a few movies and television series, including “Nine Lives of Elfego Baca,” “Young Guns” and “John Carpenter's Vampires.”
A Living History Treasure

Heading back north on the Turquoise Trail, an easy detour leads to El Rancho de las Golondrinas, the acclaimed living history museum devoted to the history, heritage and culture of New Mexico during the 18th and 19th centuries. Costumed docents and historic buildings showcase the region’s rich past. Visit an 18th-century placita house with a defensive tower, a blacksmith shop, a water-powered gristmill and other buildings that depict life during the Spanish Colonial and territorial New Mexico eras. Time your visit during one of the museum’s nine annual festivals and you’ll join locals and visitors alike jubilantly celebrating New Mexico's rich past and vibrant present.

TODO LOCAL  The Madrid Christmas Parade is a wondrous sight to see. Led by a red-nosed yak, the procession includes a merry band of elves, Santas, mermaids and other motley characters, riding in vintage automobiles, hippie vans or on classic motorcycles. It’s a cinch to see why “Wild Hogs” was filmed in Madrid, as you watch the bikers roll through town.

INSIDER TIP  A drive along the Turquoise Trail isn’t just a gorgeous day out. It’s a journey back in time through the colorful histories of old Wild West mining towns. Yep, there’s gold in them thar’ hills...as well as silver, zinc, coal and, most famously, turquoise!
natural treasures

8 Must-See Parks & Monuments

Discover ancient mysteries, layered history and fascinating geography in Santa Fe County’s celebrated parks and monuments. From haunting ruins and cliff dwellings to petroglyphs carved by ancient Puebloan people, remnants of old mining sites, a Civil War battlefield and gorgeous waterfalls, these outdoor adventures will take your breath away.

INSIDER TIP  Summer visitors to Bandelier National Monument get a free ride. Everyone must leave their vehicle at the White Rock Visitor Center and catch the shuttle to the park. You won’t have to wait long. Shuttles run about every half hour on weekdays and every 20 minutes on weekends, 9am - 3pm. Just sit back, relax and enjoy the spectacular scenery.
Bandelier National Monument

Journey back through time with a visit to Bandelier National Monument, a bustling city inhabited by ancestral Puebloan people more than 11,000 years ago. More than 70 miles of hiking trails, cliff dwellings, a ceremonial kiva and petroglyphs offer a rich introduction to the region’s Native American culture. Don’t skip the gift shop. You’re sure to find a treasure or two to take home.

Tsankawi

Part of Bandelier, Tsankawi is equally stunning and much less crowded. Located 13 miles from Bandelier’s main park, Tsankawi’s 1.5-mile loop trail follows an ancient pathway worn into rock by Ancestral Puebloan people, who settled on this high plateau in the 1400s, building homes atop a mesa and carving caves into soft volcanic stone below. You’ll walk through narrow passageways and climb up and down ladders to visit cave rooms and unexcavated ruins. Impressive petroglyphs and gorgeous views of the Jemez and Sangre de Cristo mountain ranges are part of the magic of this powerful place.

Pecos National Historical Park

With ancient ruins of a major Southwest pueblo, haunting remnants of an 18th-century Spanish mission church, wagon wheel ruts on the Santa Fe Trail and traces of a pivotal American civil war battle, Pecos National Historical Park brings the area’s riveting past to life. More than 6,000 acres of breathtaking wilderness make this park a place to connect with nature, whether you’re hiking, fishing or simply gazing at the majestic views.
If you’re a Civil War buff, head straight to the Glorieta Battlefield Trail, part of Pecos National Historical Park. This 2.25 mile loop trail chronicles the Civil War Battle of Glorieta Pass with interpretive signs about the pivotal three-day battle between Confederate and Union forces in March of 1862. This battle, considered to be the “Gettysburg of the West,” was won by the Union, which kept control of New Mexico through the American Civil War. Part of Pecos National Historical Park, the Glorieta Battlefield Trail is accessed by a gate code that you’ll receive when you stop at the park’s Visitor Center, along with directions to the trailhead, located five miles southwest. The trail has interpretive signs along the way, but for more detailed information, purchase the Visitor Center’s map.

INSIDER TIP  For an authentic look at what life was like during the Civil War in the West, attend the annual Civil War Encampment, held around the anniversary dates of the Battle of Glorieta Pass (March 26–28). See costumed “soldiers” and other living history participants present black powder demonstrations, take a ride on a horse-drawn wagon, hear talks about the Civil War days and more.

Waterfalls of wonder await you at Nambé Falls and Lake Recreation Area, where cascading water tumbles from 100 feet through a sheer-walled gorge, creating one of the most striking natural waterfalls in the Southwest. Part of Nambé Pueblo, the area is open for camping, hiking and fishing, with an entry fee. There’s also a picnic area. Two short trails, each a quarter-mile long, provide easy access. One route leads up a hill to magnificent views of the falls from above, where natural pools are popular fishing spots and great places to play in the cool mountain water. The other trail crosses a river and takes you to a beach area by the lowest pool of the falls, so you’ll want to have water shoes as you’re going to get wet. And isn’t that why you’re here?
La Cieneguilla Petroglyph Site

More than 5,000 fantastical images carved into rocks and boulders offer a compelling window to the past at La Cieneguilla Petroglyph Site. Situated on a mesa above the Santa Fe River, the petroglyphs were carved by ancient Pueblo people between the 13th and 17th centuries, though some may date back to 8000 to 2000 BC. The mysterious images of birds, deer, Kokopelli (the infamous humpback flute player), and other figures are centuries old, yet they remain strongly connected to today’s vibrant Pueblo cultures of northern New Mexico. Bring sturdy hiking shoes to access this mysterious, majestic site.

Hyde Memorial State Park

Picturesque campgrounds in ponderosa pine forests offer an elevated getaway at Hyde Memorial State Park, one of New Mexico’s first state parks and a recent addition to the National Register of Historic Places. The 355-acre preserve contains historic stone and log structures built between the late 1930s and early 1940s by the Civilian Conservation Corps. Pitch a tent and make use of grills, picnic tables and other amenities, or rent a yurt, which accommodates up to six people. Prime trails for every level of hiker lead to alpine meadows filled with wildflowers in summer and golden aspen groves in fall. In winter, the park is a popular spot for sledding, snowshoeing and cross-country skiing.

INSIDER TIP  Hyde Memorial State Park has something for everyone. With wi-fi available at the Visitor Center, vault toilets, and yurts equipped with propane heaters, fire rings and food safes (no electricity), campers can get a taste of the wild without giving up all amenities. For those looking to ‘rough it’ the park’s campsites provide great opportunities to spend time unplugged in nature.
Cerrillos Hills State Park

In the old mining town of Cerrillos, just off the Turquoise Trail National Scenic Byway, Cerrillos Hills State Park is steeped in an enthralling history that is yours to discover on five miles of interpretive trails. Occupying 1,098 acres, the park is a wonder to explore, with hills that are remnants of volcanoes formed 30 million years ago. Native Americans mined these hills over 1,100 years ago for lead used in pottery glaze and later for turquoise. Next came Spanish conquistadors and colonists seeking silver, followed by 18th-century prospectors pursuing treasure. Today, Cerrillos Hills State Park is a popular spot for hiking, mountain biking, birding and picnicking. The abundant wildlife, many hiding from view, includes foxes, coyotes, mule deer, bobcats and cougars. You may spy a golden eagle, a great horned owl or one of the other 30 bird species that have been identified in the park.

TODO LOCAL  A guided horseback tour with a nearby outfitter makes a great way to see Cerrillos State Park and its surroundings. You’ll ride through rolling juniper-covered hills and take in majestic views of sweeping mountain ranges. Don’t miss exciting events at the park, too, including star-gazing and programs devoted to snakes, high desert animals and other immersive experiences. To find out about guided hikes and other year-round events, check the Cerrillos State Park’s Visitor Center schedule.

INSIDER TIP  Kasha-Katuwe Tent Rocks National Monument sits outside of Santa Fe County, but it’s well worth the 40-mile drive to see this otherworldly site. Located on Cochiti Pueblo land, Tent Rocks is filled with cone-shaped formations, created by volcanic eruptions some 6 to 7 millions year ago. Walk the trails and take in the startling beauty of this unique place.
INSIDER TIP Since the early 18th century, Chimayó families have farmed the prized red chile that bears the name of their historic village. Some families still roast the chile in outdoor ovens, or hornos, just as they did centuries ago, filling the air with an alluring scent. Chimayó red chile is world-renowned for its distinctive flavor combining sweetness and spice. New Mexicans use the chile powder to make a smoky red chile sauce for enchiladas, tamales, carne adovada and many other regional dishes. Pick up some Chimayó red chile powder to use in your kitchen at the shops near El Santuario de Chimayó.

INSIDER TIP Take the time to visit the world-renowned weaving shops in Chimayó, where you’ll learn about weaving traditions that date back to the original Spanish colonists. Ortega’s Weaving Shop and others in Chimayó are known for continuing authentic New Mexican traditions, prized by locals and collectors worldwide. With precise attention to detail and with your color choice in mind, the weaver will create a one-of-a-kind pattern on a garment fashioned specifically for you.
where traditions run deep

Wind your way through a high-country landscape of dramatic mountains and sweeping beauty on the High Road to Taos. This journey to Old World New Mexico takes you to a village of renowned weavers and chile farmers. Visit a 19th century adobe church, where sacred dirt has long believed to possess healing powers. This northern Santa Fe County adventure showcases a rich past, still very visible in the present.

The Miracles of Chimayó

Drive north from Santa Fe to N.M. 503, the gateway of the High Road to Taos. The road meanders through the traditional farming community of Nambé and Nambé Pueblo, then rises through gold and rust-colored hills. At N.M. 76, turn left and head to Chimayó, settled by the Spanish in the 17th century. Chimayó is a vibrant arts and crafts community where centuries-old traditions still thrive. Chimayó weavers produce treasured rugs, blankets, clothing and more, continuing a legacy that dates back over 300 years. At El Potrero Trading Post, you’ll find folk art from New Mexico, retablos (images of saints painted on wood), bultos (saints carved from wood), tin crosses and tin frame retablos. Visit the Chimayó Museum located in the Plaza del Cerro to learn more about the history and the culture of Chimayó and its surrounding communities.

This tiny village of plazas and plazitas, orchards and chile fields is home to the renowned El Santuario de Chimayó, a 19th century adobe chapel and shrine. The chapel may be small, but it’s known far and wide because the dirt held in a small well is believed by many to have miraculous healing powers. Inside the church, brightly painted statues and wood screens depicting saints represent traditional Spanish Colonial religious art, made in the region for centuries.

Trading Post Treasures

On your return, pull in to the historic Nambé Trading Post, which offers an eclectic collection of Pueblo pottery, Navajo weavings, Plains Indian beadwork and quillwork, old pawn jewelry and so much more. The Museum of Western Film & Costume is housed here as well, with costumes and props from iconic western films. Very few authentic trading posts remain from the Old West days, so this is one place you don’t want to miss.
revitalizing a railroad town

A century ago, Lamy was a bustling railroad town with a boutique Harvey House hotel, a mercantile store and saloon, and a Mission Revival-style train depot — a key stop for the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad (AT&SF) that operated a spur line for passengers bound for Santa Fe. The railroad declined with the advent of the automobile, the hotel was demolished, and the dust settled in Lamy, where the population dwindled to a few hundred souls.

But the times they are a-changing, and Lamy is back on track as a revitalized destination. The old saloon, listed on the National Register of Historic Places and now known as the Legal Tender Saloon and Eating House, has been restored to its former glory, with a handsome bar, spacious dining rooms, and patio dining that overlooks the historic train depot across the street. The upscale menu pays tribute to Lamy’s railroad history and the dining trends of yesteryear with dishes such as oysters, prime rib with horseradish and seasonal specials.

Sky Railway, a new adventure train, travels the tracks that formerly carried the spur line and later, the Santa Fe Southern Railway, between Lamy and Santa Fe. A consortium of owners that includes acclaimed novelist George R.R. Martin has dreamed up some exciting “themed” train rides. The Stargazer Express takes you on a celestial rail-run into New Mexico’s starry night, while The Wild West Express includes horse chases and gun fights as you journey into the old Wild West era. Special Christmas, New Year’s and other unique train rides will give you an adventure to remember.

INSIDER TIP For a trip back in time, visit the Lamy depot, built in 1909 by the AT&SF Railway. Just across the street, the Legal Tender Saloon and Eating House has long been a mainstay in Lamy for train passengers and diners interested in the region’s history. If your timing’s right, you can watch the Amtrak Southwest Chief pull into the station, conjuring up the glory of the railroad’s heyday.
Endless adventure awaits you at **Ski Santa Fe**, where more than 80 powdery trails descend from a 12,075-foot summit. Skiers and snowboarders delight in this family ski area, which offers seven lifts, a vertical drop of 1,725 feet, and excellent trails for everyone, from novice to expert. Stunning views, extensive glade runs, challenging moguls, a ski school and 225 inches of average annual snowfall make this the premiere Southwest ski destination.

Ski Santa Fe generally operates from Thanksgiving Day through Easter. In fall, leaf-peepers can ride the Super Chief Quad chairlift up the mountain and revel in the blazing fall colors of the aspens surrounding them. Ski Santa Fe celebrates fall with fun events on the mountain including live music, disc golf, and a beer garden and grill.
fun in every season

Santa Fe County is an outdoor adventurer’s paradise. With more than 300 sunny days a year, this high desert mountain country offers world-class hiking, mountain biking, skiing and rock climbing as well as horseback riding, fishing, and golfing in some of the country’s most stunningly scenic surroundings. After just one visit, you’ll see why USA Today named Santa Fe the best destination for outdoor enthusiasts.
off the beaten path

8 Local Favorite Trails to Hike & Bike

With hundreds of magnificent miles of high desert trails, Santa Fe County is a year-round paradise with an incredibly diverse range of terrain for hikers and mountain bikers of every level. In summer, hike through fields filled with colorful wildflowers. In autumn, the spectacular colors of fall foliage surround you, and in winter, snow-covered trails and alpine trees create an enchanting landscape. Keep an eye out for wildlife any time of year — birds, deer, elk, antelope, coyotes and more.

We’re also a mecca for mountain bikers, ranked by USA Today as one of the country’s top mountain biking towns and a recipient of the Silver-Level Rider Designation by the International Mountain Bicycling Association (IMBA). With a network of trails just outside your door, you’ll find a variety of terrain suitable for all levels.

Bring sunscreen, plenty of water and an appetite for adventure!

INSIDER TIP The Dale Ball Trails offer some of the best places to hike and run in the country, according to Travel + Leisure and Sherman’s Travel. In part, that’s due to the helpful wayfinding, or sign system. Just look for the 1-2-3 signs and other numbered route markers and you’ll soon be navigating like a seasoned Sangre de Cristo hiker.
Locals love the Dale Ball Trails, a 25-mile network through the beautiful Sangre de Cristo foothills. Pathways wind through juniper forests and by seasonally dry creek beds with rock gardens resembling Zen formations. Awe-inspiring panoramic views are everywhere, as the trails cover a wide area between Santa Fe County and the Santa Fe National Forest. Whether you’re a hiker, a mountain biker or even a snowshoer, prepare to spend hours of delight in one of the country’s most beautiful spots for outdoor adventures.

High up in the Sangre de Cristo Mountains, on the Aspen Vista Trail, you can really get away from it all. Surrounded by wildflowers and wildlife, tall ponderosa pines and aspen trees, your cares just slip away. The round-trip hike to Tesuque Peak above Ski Santa Fe is a strenuous 12 miles, but you can meander along the first 2.5 miles of this trail, passing through groves of tall aspen trees. However far you travel, there’s always a perfect picnic spot with a view.
Birdwatchers flock to the Randall Davey Audubon Center and Sanctuary, a 135-acre wildlife preserve on Santa Fe’s historic eastside. They spot red-winged blackbirds, red-tailed hawks and nearly 200 other bird species. Hikers enjoy the winding picturesque trails through piñon, juniper and ponderosa trees, visited by colorful butterflies that flit between the trees. If you arrive on a Saturday at 8:30 a.m., you can enjoy a free bird walk led by resident experts.

All aboard the Santa Fe Rail Trail. Discover the area’s fascinating railroad history on this popular 15-mile, multi-use trail that parallels Santa Fe’s railway line between the downtown Santa Fe Railyard and the historic railroad town of Lamy, the closest Amtrak stop. The path from downtown is paved for 3.5 miles, but turns to dirt at Rabbit Road, where the real adventure begins. Whether you’re hiking or on wheels, you’ll marvel at the expansive views around you as you travel up and down this hilly trail, bordered by juniper and piñon trees and occasional railroad trestle marking the route of the railway line. It’s a great trail for hikers and cyclists of all levels and popular with families, too, because it’s challenging, but not demanding.

With nearly 10,000 acres of serene Savannah grasslands, winding arroyos, sandstone formations and other pristine wilderness, the beauty of the Galisteo Basin Preserve will leave you breathless. Take a few minutes to simply admire some of the most majestic views in the region, then get out into this natural wonder, which offers almost 30 miles of hiking, biking and horseback riding trails. It’s a place to rediscover yourself by connecting with nature.
A trek through the Diablo Canyon Recreation Area will transport you to another world of stark, breathtaking beauty. With basalt cliffs up to 300 feet high, this is a paradise for rock lovers who consider it one of the best climbing areas in New Mexico. Didn’t bring your climbing shoes, carabiner or helmet? No problem. Diablo Canyon is popular with hikers, too. There’s a sandy trail that ends at the Rio Grande. Film fans may recognize the area. Diablo has provided backdrops for many movies, including “Cowboys and Aliens,” “3:10 to Yuma” and “The Missing.”

Little Tesuque Trail, a picturesque 3-mile loop, begins off of Bishop’s Lodge Road. You’ll cross the creek and then follow the easy trail as it takes you up one side of Tesuque Creek and back down on the Winsor Trail. This creekside trail is so peaceful and pastoral, with lots of shade and greenery, that it’s a popular place for people walking their dogs.

Rolling terrain and single-speed cross country rides make La Tierra Trails a mecca for mountain bikers. They try out jumps and other Freeride skills and tackle fast single-track trails popular with bikers of any level. The 25-mile maze-like trail system also appeals to hikers and horseback riders with its wide, sandy network of trails.
From a celebrated professional rodeo to exciting horse shows, equestrian vaulting and carriage racing, Santa Fe County is an exciting destination for horse lovers.

The Stanley Cyclone Center, New Mexico’s equine, livestock and event venue, hosts rodeos, open riding, carriage racing, training clinics, and more. Admire the beauty of equestrian vaulting and the pageantry of horse shows, or take in a dog show, a livestock show and 4H/FFA activities.

You’ll have a rootin’ tootin’ time at the annual Rodeo de Santa Fe, a late-June tradition that started in 1949. The professional rodeo draws World Champion cowboys and cowgirls, more than 500 contestants who compete on buckin’ broncos and in bull riding, barrel races, and other heart-pounding events. When you’re not on the edge of your seat, stroll around the rodeo grounds, take a ride on the carnival ferris wheel, and snack on corn dogs, funnel cakes and curly fries.

INSIDER TIP
The groundbreaking equestrian program, EQUUS, practices a decades-old field known as equine integrated learning. Visitors learn about nonverbal communication and setting boundaries, gaining confidence, inspiration, and strength. At the stables in the foothills of the Sangre de Cristo Mountains, guests gain insights into themselves. Visit santafenmtrue.com/outdooradventure.
The annual Artist Studio Tours in Santa Fe County introduce you to painters, potters, jewelry makers and many other artists who you’ll often find working in their studios. Learn about the artists’ process by watching demos and by talking to them about their inspiration and techniques. The tours take you to scenic towns and villages during the most beautiful seasons of the year. Pick up maps while there to guide you as you walk from studio to studio. You’ll be inspired by the artistry of the region, too, with stunning mountains, mesas and endless turquoise sky.
Galisteo
Lamy
Glorieta
Chimayó
Española
Nambé
Pojoaque
Tesuque
Santa Fe
La Cienega
Eldorado
Cerrillos
Madrid
Los Alamos
White Rock
Santa Clara Pueblo
San Ildefonso Pueblo
Pojoaque Pueblo
Tesuque Pueblo
Santa Clara Pueblo
San Ildefonso Pueblo
Cochiti Pueblo
Santo Domingo Pueblo
Santa Clara Pueblo
San Ildefonso Pueblo
world-class events

Santa Fe County’s exciting year-round events draw visitors from around the world for unforgettable and unique experiences. The renowned Santa Fe Opera and the world’s largest Folk Art Market, Spanish Market and Native American Art Market take place in the summer, while nine extraordinary festivals draw crowds to El Rancho de las Golondrinas, the acclaimed living history museum, all season long. As summer winds down, the annual Burning of Zozobra fires up, drawing some 60,000 revelers to cheer Old Man Gloom’s fiery demise. Top cyclists gather for two premiere races, international artists participate in a new media festival, and these are just some of the spectacular events happening here all year long.

INSIDER TIP  No matter what time of year you visit, Santa Fe is a bustling hub of activity with unique events to make your vacation memorable. Be sure to check SantaFeNMTrue.com for updated events before you visit.
**Santa Fe Century**

For over 30 years, cyclists from near and far have gathered every May for the Santa Fe Century, one of New Mexico’s most popular cycling events. The 100-mile route offers stunning scenery as well as a chance to ride through history—past ancient Pueblo ruins, ancient Spanish Colonial villages and old mining towns along the fabled Turquoise Trail. Riders of all ages are welcome and 25 and 50-mile routes are available so that people of all cycling levels can participate. An all-dirt route is set aside for mountain bikers. No matter how far you ride, everyone’s invited to the after-party for food and music.

**Currents New Media Festival**

Every year, Parallel Studios hosts a citywide festival of intriguing, interactive works by New Media artists from around the world. Thousands of visitors travel from far and wide to attend CURRENTS New Media Festival, which showcases installations, multimedia performances, animation, robotics, 3D printing, virtual reality and augmented reality environments and many other cutting-edge art forms. The festival appeals to everyone, including artists, collectors and families seeking fun.

**Santa Fe Opera**

Spend an electrifying evening at the Santa Fe Opera, one of the world’s acclaimed summer opera festivals. Perched atop a mesa, surrounded by magnificent vistas, the theater is covered but its sides are open to views as dramatic as the performances on the stage within. Founded in 1957, the Santa Fe Opera has presented more than 170 different operas, including 16 world premieres and 45 American premieres. Gifted singers from around the world join the casts, along with international directors, conductors and other members of the production team.
**Santa Fe Wine Festival**

Raise a glass and make a toast to New Mexico, the first wine-making region in the country, during the annual Santa Fe Wine Festival at El Rancho de las Golondrinas. For nearly 30 years, this lively summer event has brought locals and visitors together to celebrate New Mexico’s winemakers and wines. You can sample award-winning wines from around the state and purchase bottles to take home. Enjoy live music and take in the sights on the grounds of the Southwest’s premiere living history museum.

**International Folk Art Market**

One of the most colorful places on the planet, the International Folk Art Market brings more than 150 artists from 53 countries to Museum Hill to sell their unique folk art. People from around the country travel to shop this market in mid-July, purchasing handmade jewelry, clothing, textiles, paintings and dozens of other one-of-a-kind items. Part of the fun is having the opportunity to meet the artists and talk about their work and where they live. The market also showcases live world music, dance and other performances. Bring your appetite, so you can feast on foods from around the globe.

**Traditional Spanish Market**

Celebrate the region’s rich Spanish Colonial history at the annual Traditional Spanish Market on the Santa Fe Plaza, held on the final full weekend of July. One of Santa Fe’s premier events, the market is devoted to traditional Spanish Colonial arts and crafts, handmade by hundreds of area Hispanic artists. Shop for retablos, santos, weaving, jewelry, straw appliqué, hand-carved furniture, tin work and other exceptional pieces, and enjoy art demonstrations, along with live music, dancing and regional fare. The Contemporary Hispanic Market takes place simultaneously, featuring work by New Mexico Hispanic artists.

**Native American Art Market**

The Southwestern Association for Indian Arts (SWAIA) Native American Art Market is not just the world’s largest Native American art market – it’s been the biggest event in town, year after year, since 1922. Avid collectors travel to the Santa Fe Plaza on the third weekend of August to purchase jewelry, pottery, weaving, basketry and other traditionally crafted works directly from 1,000 Native American artists from the U.S. and Canada. Native American Art Market is also known for live Native music performances, time-honored dances and drumming and a haute couture fashion show. Savor Navajo tacos and other traditional cuisine as you search for a striking work of art or two to take home with you.

**Zozobra**

Say goodbye to all your gloom at The Burning of Zozobra, a 50-foot towering, menacing marionette, otherwise known as “Old Man Gloom.” The event takes place the Friday before Labor Day at Santa Fe’s downtown Fort Marcy Park, drawing thousands of visitors from near and far to cheer on his demise with cries of “Burn him! Burn him!” Zozobra was created in 1924 by artist Will Shuster, a member of the Santa Fe Art Colony, and has been a beloved part of Santa Fe since 1926. The pageantry includes musical performances, as well as fireworks that celebrate Zozobra’s end…that is, until next year.
Santa Fe Renaissance Faire

At the annual Santa Fe Renaissance Faire, held in September on the grounds of the living history museum El Rancho de las Golondrinas, you can cheer for your favorite knight, dance to medieval music, visit an enchanted village and feast on delicious fare. Buy unique arts and crafts and experience so much more at New Mexico’s premier Renaissance Faire.

Santa Fe Wine & Chile Fiesta

This annual week-long feast of flavors, held in late September, features wine dinners and seminars, cooking demos, bottle auctions and more in venues across the city. The big event, The Grand Tasting, brings together some 80 local restaurants and 100 wineries from around the world serving samples and sips. The schedule also includes a champagne brunch, a golf classic and a cycling tour.

Harvest Festival

Celebrate the bounty of fall at the annual Harvest Festival in early October at El Rancho de las Golondrinas, the acclaimed living history museum. Ranked by readers of USA Today as one of the top fall harvest festivals in the country, the event features grape stomping to make wine, rolling tortillas by hand, stringing red chile together to make ristras, and many other fun family activities. You’ll also enjoy traditional music, dance and an artist market.

Santa Fe Independent Film Festival

One of Moviemaker Magazine’s “Coolest Film Festivals on the Planet,” the Santa Fe Independent Film Festival is a world-class event, offering five days and nights of 50 feature films, 75 indie films, parties, panels and other film fun. Festival guests have included Oliver Stone, Shirley MacLaine, Robert Redford and other luminaries. Held in October, the festival showcases international and independent cinema along with student films and discussions with directors, writers and actors.

Gran Fondo New York - Santa Fe

In late October, Gran Fondo New York - Santa Fe, elite and recreational cyclists race together in a high-altitude, long-distanced marathon, over closed or monitored roadways. The demanding 75-mile course climbs 7,150 feet to a peak elevation of 10,350 feet, through open plains and high desert to alpine forests of aspen, spruce and pine trees, ranking this race one of the top five GFNY routes worldwide for climbing.

New Year’s Eve On the Plaza

Ring in the New Year in Santa Fe style on the historic downtown Plaza, where piñon bonfires and local bands heat up the night. Write down your dreams and hopes for the coming year on a memorial banner, and keep warm with hot chocolate and biscochitos, the official state cookie. When midnight strikes, welcome the New Year with a handcrafted Zia symbol, which rises up into a sky ablaze with fireworks.
With so many enchanting places to stay in Santa Fe County, you’ll want to return often. Choose from world-class resorts, spa getaways, charming bed & breakfasts and stunningly scenic spots to park your RV.

For luxury accommodations in majestic mountain settings, try the new Bishop’s Lodge Auberge Resorts Collection—Santa Fe or renowned Four Seasons Resort Rancho Encantado Santa Fe. The ultimate spa getaways at Ojo Santa Fe Spa Resort and Ten Thousand Waves will restore your body, mind and spirit. Beautiful Bed & Breakfasts can be found throughout Santa Fe County, each with their own personality. For an outdoor adventure, sleep under New Mexico’s famous starry skies at area campgrounds with gorgeous sunrise and sunset mountain views.

You’ll find all of these Santa Fe County Lodging options and more at: santafenmtrue.com/lodging.
hotels

Bishop’s Lodge
Auberge Resorts Collection Santa Fe

An iconic 1920s resort has been reimagined into a luxury resort, situated on more than 300 acres in the foothills of the Sangre de Cristo range of the Rocky Mountains. Guests enjoy a wellness studio, yoga, horseback riding and other adventures in nature.

- 100 new and renovated guest rooms and suites
1297 Bishops Lodge Road
Santa Fe, NM 87506
888.741.0480
aubingeresorts.com/bishopslodge/

Four Seasons Resort
Rancho Encantado
Santa Fe

Set against the foothills of the Sangre de Cristo Mountains, Rancho Encantado offers serenity, privacy, and luxury. Featuring wellness amenities, spa services, a yoga studio, an outdoor pool and an adventure center, offering art and nature excursions with seasoned guides. Just a few minutes drive from the Santa Fe Downtown Plaza.

- 65 Casita Guest Rooms and Suites
198 State Road 592
Santa Fe, NM 87506
505.946.5700
fourseasons.com/santafe

Houses of the Moon at Ten Thousand Waves

A mountain spa resort in the tradition of the Japanese ryokan, guests have a short walk to the legendary spa. Surrounded by twenty acres of piñons and junipers, yet only ten minutes from downtown.

- 14 Rooms and Suites
21 Ten Thousand Waves Way
Santa Fe, NM 87501
505.982.9304
tenthousandwaves.com/lodging

Ojo Santa Fe Spa Resort

Rest, relax, and rejuvenate at this tranquil oasis located on 77 acres fed by natural springs. Enjoy enchanting accommodations, spa services, thermal pools, a saltwater swimming pool, private soaking, yoga and a wide range of activities.

- 20 Spacious Casitas
- 32 Resort Style Garden View Rooms
242 Los Pinos Road
Santa Fe, NM 87507
877.977.8212
ojosparesorts.com/ojo-santafe

Rancho Jacona

A guest ranch on a 17th century homestead, Rancho Jacona is located 15 miles northwest of Santa Fe. It’s a peaceful retreat and ideal home base for families vacationing in northern New Mexico.

- 12 Fully furnished and equipped adobe casitas
277 County Road 84
Santa Fe, NM 87506
505.455.7948
ranchojacona.com

bed & breakfast inns

Bobcat Inn

Originally an old hacienda that has been authentically renovated, nestled on a 10-acre southwest estate with spectacular views for miles and miles. Just minutes from the historic Santa Fe Plaza, hiking trails and never ending New Mexican destinations and indulgences. True comfort with modern conveniences converge.

- 6 unique rooms
442 Old Las Vegas Highway
Santa Fe, NM 87505
505.988.9239
bobcatinn.com
**Rancho de Chimayó Hacienda/Country Inn**

Enjoy Old World charm at this historic hacienda/country inn, located on the scenic High Road to Taos. With Victorian-style guest rooms furnished with antiques, each accessing an enclosed private garden, this serene country retreat that dates back more than a century is the perfect getaway to a simpler time.

- 7 charming rooms and suites

297 Juan Medina Road
Chimayó, NM 87522
888.270.2320
505.351.2222
ranchodechimayo.com/hacienda

**Rancho Gallina**

A unique inn and eco-retreat on a historic ranch just south of Santa Fe, off the Turquoise Trail Scenic Byway, that runs on solar energy, water/energy conservation and other green best practices. Guests enjoy an ambience of rustic elegance, with rooms designed with New Mexico charm, a hand-built cedar hot tub and organic farm-fresh meals.

- 5 rooms

31 Bonanza Creek Road
Santa Fe, NM 87508
505.438.1871
ranchogallina.com

**RV parks/camping**

**KitFox**

High-desert glamping on 160 acres in the gorgeous Galisteo Basin Preserve. Stay in a luxurious safari-style tent surrounded by expansive wilderness, relax by a campfire, fuel up on healthy, gourmet food, and gaze at wondrous night skies filled with stars.

125 Thornton Ranch Road
Lamy, New Mexico 87540
staykitfox.com

**Rancheros de Santa Fe RV Resort & Campground**

Santa Fe’s scenic RV resort and campground is nestled among native piñon and juniper trees. Located on historical Route 66 and only minutes from downtown Santa Fe, it’s a great place to unwind and get away from it all.

- Sites for RVs, tent camping and camping cabins

736 Old Las Vegas Highway
Santa Fe, NM 87505
505.466.3482
rancheros.com

**Santa Fe KOA Journey**

The beauty of the Sangre de Cristo Mountains surrounds this campground, just minutes from downtown Santa Fe. Relax and admire amazing sunsets, and keep an eye out for the hummingbirds that flit around the grounds.

- Sites for RVs, tent camping and camping cabins

934 Old Las Vegas Highway
Santa Fe, NM 87505
Information: 505.466.1419
Reserve: 800.562.1514
KOA.com/campgrounds/santa-fe
Santa Fe National Forest

The Santa Fe National Forest offers a variety of campgrounds. The campgrounds range from highly developed, with RV sites and electrical hookups, to primitive, with only toilets. For specific campground information for Aspen Basin; Big Tesuque; Borrego Mesa; and Black Canyon Campgrounds.

Santa Fe National Forest Headquarters
11 Forest Lane
Santa Fe, NM 87508
505.438.5300
fs.usda.gov/recmain/santafe/recreation

Santa Fe Skies RV Park

Located on a hilltop just south of Santa Fe, this park is family-owned and offers full service. Enjoy beautiful panoramic views with unobstructed sunsets and starry nights.

- Full service short and long-term sites
14 Browncastle Ranch
Santa Fe, NM 87508
877.565.0451
505.473.5946
santafeskiesrvpark.com

Yurts at Hyde Memorial State Park

Set in the Sangre de Cristo Mountains among a forest of pines along Little Tesuque Creek. The park is a short drive from Santa Fe. Yurts provide the ultimate camping experience, combining the comfort of a cabin and the intimacy of sleeping in the great outdoors.

740 Hyde Park Road
Santa Fe, NM 87501
505.983.7175
emnrd.nm.gov/spd/find-a-park/hyde-memorial-state-park

SantaFeNMTrue.com | 45
a feast of elevated flavors

A world-class destination for food-lovers of every cuisine, Santa Fe County serves up a mouth-watering feast of flavors. From five-star resort dining and James Beard award-winning restaurants to Japanese small plates, farm-to-table fare, roadhouse comfort food and traditional New Mexican cuisine, our array of restaurants puts Santa Fe County on the world’s culinary map. Whether you’re hungry for an iconic New Mexico green chile cheeseburger, traditional French fare or creative contemporary cuisine showcasing our regional ingredients, you’ll find it all and more in our renowned restaurants. To whet your appetite, here’s a look at some of our foodie hot spots and local favorites. To see the full list of restaurants in Santa Fe County, visit: santafenmtrue.com/dining.

Taste our prized green chile in one of the most beloved traditional New Mexican restaurants, Rancho de Chimayó, winner of a coveted James Beard Foundation America’s Classic award. The century-old adobe home is an ideal setting for savoring green chile stew, carne asada, chile rellenos and other favorites made from family recipes.

Guacamole has never tasted better than when you’re seated on the charming Old World patio of Gabriel’s, enjoying the avocado-based dip made by a master at your tableside. The restaurant is known for authentic foods of Old Mexico and the Southwest.
With culinary creativity that blends regional traditions and global influences Terra Restaurant at Four Seasons Resort Rancho Encantado Santa Fe is celebrated for innovative delectable dishes. Think green chile-braised short ribs and piñon-crusted lamb. The sleek contemporary setting and mountain views are perfect for the inspired cuisine.

The Tesuque mainstay for great food and fun, El Nido started out as a 1920s roadhouse then morphed into a spirited dance hall. Today this iconic restaurant is famous for house-made pasta, wood-fired pizza, seafood and steaks, sushi, and a warm atmosphere that takes you back to Old Santa Fe.

Perched high in the mountains, Izanami at Ten Thousand Waves serves small plates of sublime Japanese bar food. The izakaya-inspired restaurant is part of a well-loved Japanese-style mountain spa. Wander over from your spa soak wrapped in a kimono and indulge in lobster tail tempura or wagyu beef ishiyaki, cooked on a hot stone at your table.
Sip sake selected from Izanami’s extraordinary list. The best seats are on the balcony, where you just might think you’re in paradise among rolling mountainsides.

The handsome Santa Fe-style SkyFire Restaurant and Bar at Bishop’s Lodge Auberge Resorts Collection – Santa Fe offers an exciting dining experience featuring creative Southwestern cuisine made with local artisanal ingredients. Consult with SkyFire’s Chile Host about which chile oils will best pair with your meal.

Blue Heron Restaurant at Ojo Santa Fe Spa Resort spotlights local ingredients that honor the seasons. Each of the vibrant, flavorful dishes—Ojo Farm Salad, Roasted Vegetable Chile Relleno and wild Scottish salmon, for instance—is designed to be an elixir for body, mind and spirit, leaving you not only sated but wholly satisfied. Be sure to get a table outside, overlooking the spring-fed pond.

Fuel up on modern American comfort food at Cafe Fina, where breakfast burritos and green chile cheeseburgers are just a few of the hits. Take a seat at a patio table, overlooking the action on a bocci course, and dig into Cloud Cakes, fluffy pancakes made with ricotta and topped with fresh berries. You’ll be in seventh heaven.

The fine farm-to-table fare at Arable brings in locals and celebrity chefs alike. Guy Fieri was impressed by the bison gravy fries while filming his Food Network

**INSIDER TIP** New Mexico’s green chile is legendary. With its profound combination of sweet, smoky, earthy and often spicy flavors, this prized ingredient has long been a staple in kitchens and restaurants across the region. It’s famously used as a topping on cheeseburgers and stirred into stews and sauces that cover enchiladas and burritos. Green chile is also added to pizza, mac’n’cheese and even ice cream and cheesecake. Recently, NASA astronauts grew New Mexico green chile on the International Space Station and reported that it was out of this world when they tasted it on tacos. It’s just that good.
show “Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives.” You’ll flip for the signature green chile cheese tots, shrimp and grits and the sensational Reuben sandwich, piled high with house-made pastrami. It’s so popular, fans subscribe to a newsletter alerting them when it’s a daily special. The happy vibes here are hard to resist.

Out on the Turquoise Trail, Beer Creek Brewing Company draws in a lively crowd with its acclaimed craft beer, made with its own locally grown hops. People also love the primo pizza, green chile cheesecake and other filling fare that pairs well with suds. The patio is a prime spot to catch live music and admire amazing views.

You don’t have to have a horse and a ten-gallon Stetson, but you’ll wish you did when you visit the Black Bird Saloon. You’ll find it in the old Wild West village of Cerrillos, housed in a 19th-century former saloon with crooked floors and a swinging door. The Black Bird is known for its laid-back ambiance and mighty fine grub, like the Black Jack Ketchum burger made with gun-powder rub, which goes down extra well with a local craft ale.

Down the road from Cerrillos, the old mining town of Madrid boasts a boisterous dining scene, thanks to the historic Mine Shaft Tavern, built in 1946. The excellent roadhouse cuisine includes the Mad Chile Burger, loaded with Hatch green chile that’s both battered and fried as well as roasted. The burger’s even better paired when you’re listening to live music from local and touring bands and musicians.
**dining northside**

**Arroyo Vino Restaurant & Wine Shop**  
218 Camino La Tierra  
Santa Fe, NM 87506  
505.983.2100  
arroyovino.com

**Cottonwood Kitchen at Tesuque Casino**  
7 Tesuque Hill Road  
Santa Fe, NM 87506  
800.462.2635  
tesuquecasino.com/dining

**El Nido**  
1577 Bishops Lodge Road  
Santa Fe, NM 87506  
505.954.1272  
elnidosantafe.com

**El Parasol (Pojoaque)**  
30 Cities of Gold Road  
Santa Fe, NM 87506  
505.455.7185  
elparasol.com/pojoaque

**Gabriel’s**  
Exit 176, Highway 285  
4 Banana Lane  
Santa Fe, NM 87506  
505.455.7000  
gabrielsofsantafe.com

**Izanami Restaurant at Ten Thousand Waves**  
21 Ten Thousand Waves Way  
Santa Fe, NM 87501  
505.982.9304  
tenthousandwaves.com

**Pizza 9 (Pojoaque)**  
68 Cities of Gold Road  
Santa Fe, NM 87506  
505.455.0999  
pizzanine.com/pojoaque

**Rancho de Chimayó Restaurante**  
300 Juan Medina Road  
Chimayó, NM 87522  
505.351.4444  
ranchodechimayo.com

**Red Sage at Hilton Santa Fe Buffalo Thunder**  
20 Buffalo Thunder Trail  
Santa Fe, NM 87506  
505.819.2056  
redrage-sf.com

**Roadrunner Café**  
43 Ogo Wii Road  
(off Hwy 285/84 in Pojoaque)  
Santa Fe, NM 87506  
505.455.3012  
roadrunnercafenm.com

**Skyfire at Bishop’s Lodge Auberge Resorts Collection—Santa Fe**  
1297 Bishop’s Lodge Road  
Santa Fe, NM 87506  
505.390.2323  
aubergeresorts.com/bishopslodge/dine

**Terra Restaurant at Four Seasons Resort Rancho Encantado Santa Fe**  
198 State Road 592  
Santa Fe, NM 87506  
505.946.5800  
fourseasons.com/santafe/dining

**Tesuque Village Market**  
138 Tesuque Village Road  
Santa Fe, NM 87506  
505.988.8848  
tesuquevillagemarket.com

**The Bar At Four Seasons Resort Rancho Encantado Santa Fe**  
198 State Road 592  
Santa Fe, NM 87506  
505.946.5800  
fourseasons.com/santafe/dining

**Tumbleroot Brewery and Distillery**  
2797 Agua Fria  
Santa Fe, NM 87507  
505.393.5135  
tumblerootbreweryanddistillery.com

**dining southside**

**Arable**  
7 Avenida Vista Grande, B6  
Santa Fe, NM 87508  
505.303.3816  
arablesantafe.com

**Beer Creek Brewing Company**  
3810 State Highway 14  
Santa Fe, NM 87508  
505.471.9271  
beercreekbrew.com

**Black Bird Saloon**  
28 Main Street  
Los Cerrillos, NM 87010  
505.438.1821  
blackbirdsaloon.com

**Blue Heron Restaurant at Ojo Santa Fe Spa Resort**  
242 Los Pinos Road  
Santa Fe, NM 87507  
877.977.8212  
ojosparesorts.com/ojo-santa-fe/restaurant/
Bourbon Grill at El Gancho
104 Old Las Vegas Hwy
Santa Fe, NM 87505
505.984.8000
bourbongrillsantafe.com

Cafe Fina
624 Old Las Vegas Highway
Santa Fe, NM 87505
505.466.3886
cafefinasantafe.com

El Parasol (Santa Fe South)
298 Dinosaur Trail
Santa Fe, NM 87508
505.995.8226
elparasol.com/santa-fe-south

Eldorado Coffee Corral
La Tienda Eldorado
7 Caliente Road, Unit A4
Santa Fe, NM 87508
505.466.3510
eldoradocoffecorral.com

Harry’s Roadhouse
96 B Old Las Vegas Hwy
Santa Fe, NM 87505
505.989.4629
harrysroadhousesantafe.com

Java Junction
2855 State Highway 14
Madrid, NM 87010
505.438.2772
java-junction.com

Jezebel Gallery, Soda Fountain and Cafe
2860 State Highway 14
Madrid, NM 87010
505.471.3915
jezebelgallery.com

Le Pommier Bistro
La Tienda at Eldorado
7 Caliente Road
Santa Fe, NM 87508
505.466.3235
lepommierbistro.com

Legal Tender Saloon and Eating House
151 Old Lamy Trail
Lamy, NM 87540
505.466.1650
legaltendersaloon.com

Pantry Dos
20 White Feather
(In Oshara Village)
Santa Fe, NM 87508
505.365.2859
thepantrydos.com

San Marcos Café
3877 State Highway 14
Santa Fe, NM 87508
505.471.9298
turquoisetrail.org

Shugarman’s Little Chocolate Shop
2842 State Highway 14
Madrid, NM 87010
505.474.9041
shugarmanschocolate.com

The Hollar
2849 State Highway 14 North
Madrid, NM 87010
505.471.4821
thehollar.com

The Mine Shaft Tavern
2846 State Highway 14 North
Madrid, NM 87010
505.473.0743
themineshafttavern.com

Upper Crust Pizza (Eldorado)
5 Colina Drive
Santa Fe, NM 87508
505.471.1111
uppercrustpizza.com/eldorado

breweries & distilleries

Santa Fe Brewing Company
(3 locations)
The Brewery, The Beer Hall at HQ and The Bridge
35 Fire Place
Santa Fe, NM 87508
505.424.3333
santafebrewing.com

The Eldorado Taphouse
7 Caliente Road
Santa Fe, NM 87508
505.466.6938

The Brakeroom
510 Galisteo
Santa Fe, NM 87501
505.780.8648

Tumbleroot Brewery and Distillery
(2 locations)
Distillery & Tasting Room
32 Bisbee Court
Santa Fe, NM 87508
505.393.5135
tumblerootbreweryanddistillery.com

Tasting Room, Stage & Marketplace
2791 Agua Fria Street
Santa Fe, NM 87507
505.393.5135
equestrian & event center

Stanley Cyclone Center
22 W. Kinsell Avenue
Stanley, NM 87056
505.417.9380
santafecountynm.gov/cyclone

outdoor outfitters

HORSES/HORSEBACK RIDING/EQUINE INTEGRATED LEARNING

Bishop's Lodge Auberge Resort Collection – Santa Fe
1297 Bishops Lodge Road
Santa Fe, NM 87506
888.741.0480
505.390.2323

Broken Saddle Riding Company
26 Vicksville Road
Los Cerrillos, NM 87010
505.424.7774
brokensaddle.com

Santa Fe Western Adventures
68 Bonanza Creek Road
Santa Fe, NM 87508
505.473.9384
santafewest.com

The Equus Experience
1.844.378.8773
equusinspired.com

fishing

High Desert Angler
460 Cerrillos Road
Santa Fe, NM 87501
505.988.7688
highdesertangler.com

The Reel Life
526 N Guadalupe Street
Santa Fe, NM 87501
505.995.8114
thereellife.com/flyguide

golfing

Black Mesa Golf Club
115 State Road 399
Española, NM 87532
505.367.4700
golfblackmesa.com

Cochiti Golf Club
5200 Cochiti Highway
Cochiti Lake, NM 87083
505.465.2230
cochitigolfclub.com

Marty Sanchez Links de Santa Fe
205 Caja del Rio Road
Santa Fe, NM 87507
505.955.4400
linksdesantafe.com

Towa Golf Club
40 Buffalo Thunder Trail
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87506
505.455.9000
hiltonbuffalothunder.com

skiing

Ski Santa Fe
1477 NM, NM-475
Santa Fe, NM 87501
505.982.4429
skisantafe.com

Santa Cruz Lake
off-road tours/adventure excursions

Adventure Center at Four Seasons Resort Rancho Encantado – Santa Fe
198 State Road 592
Santa Fe, NM 87506
505.946.5700
fourseasons.com/santafe/adventure-center/

Outspire Hiking & Snowshoeing
505.660.0394
www.outspire.com

Santa Fe Jeep Tours
500 Market St.
Santa Fe, NM 87501
505.428.9126
santafejeep tours.com

Santa Fe Mountain Adventures
Don Diego Ct.
Santa Fe, NM 87505
505.988.4000
santafemountain adventures.com

Santa Fe Mountain Bike Tours
santafemountain biketours.com/
505.570.0616

Sky Railway
Sky Railway Santa Fe Railyard
430 West Manhattan Ave.
Santa Fe, NM 87501
844.743.3759
skyrailway.com

helicopter tours

Gryphon Renaissance Helicopters
109 Aviation Drive
Santa Fe, NM 87507
505.670.0300
gryphonhelicopter tours.com

air tours and scenic flights

Southwest Safaris
505.988.4246; or
800.842.4246
southwestsafaris.com

rafting/kayaking/canoeing

Kokopelli Rafting Adventures
505.983.3734
www.kokopelliraft.com

Santa Fe Rafting
505.988.4914
www.santaferafting.com