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#### 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.

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Allan Houser Sculpture Park and Gallery

### galleries

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 oneof-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 17<sup>th</sup> 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 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.

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.



Allan Houser Sculpture Park and Gallery

Meow Wolf

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.

### museums

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 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> 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.

Or visit the Museum of Spanish Colonial Art that documents the history of a Spanish Colonial settlement established in 1740.



You can also tour **El Rancho de las Golondrinas**, a living history museum devoted to the heritage and culture of 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> 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

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

**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. 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.



**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/farmersmarkets.



### farmers' markets

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 yearround market held in the Santa Fe Railvard represents more than 130 farmers and producers in 15 northern New Mexico counties. This is where the community aathers 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.

### 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 allev into an immersive hands-on iourney 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, handson, 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.

Meon Wolf

### 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 brewerv'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 twolevel, 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.



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### 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.



### crafting ale & artisanal spirits

#### **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 awardwinning 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."

### world-class spas

Relax and rejuvenate your body, mind, and spirit with a getaway to one of Santa Fe County's worldclass 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.



Ojo Santa Fe Spa Resort

#### 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 turguoise trail

A drive along the 62-mile historic **Turguoise 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 saloonstyle 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." 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.

Madrid

#### A Living History Treasure

Heading back north on the Turguoise 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 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> centuries. Costumed docents and historic buildings showcase the region's rich past. Visit an 18<sup>th</sup>-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 vou'll join locals and visitors alike jubilantly celebrating New Mexico's rich past and vibrant present.



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.

Pecos National Historical Park

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.



**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.

#### **Glorieta Battlefield Trail**

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.



#### Nambé Falls and Lake Recreation Area

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 guarter-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 vou'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 13<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> 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, vet 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 vurt, 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 skiina.



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, iust 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 vears 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 18thcentury 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 junipercovered 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.

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**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 Chimavó red chile powder to use in your kitchen at the shops near El Santuario de Chimayó.

El Santuario de Chimayo

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 highcountry 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 19<sup>th</sup> 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 Chimavó. settled by the Spanish in the 17<sup>th</sup> century. Chimavó is a vibrant arts and crafts community where centuries-old traditions still thrive. Chimavó 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 Chimavó 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 placitas, orchards and chile fields is home to the renowned **El Santuario de Chimayó**, a 19<sup>th</sup> 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.





Lamy

**TODO LOCAL** In addition to hosting races, snowboard demo days and other ski events, Ski Santa Fe brings live music to the mountain during the ski season. Enjoy great local bands playing Americana, country, rock and many other music genres as you take a break from the slopes.

Ski Santa Fe

Ski Santa Fe

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.

### outdoor adventure

#### 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 15mile, 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 vour 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 Missina."

Diablo Canyon

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 singletrack 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.

### riding & roping

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 heartpounding 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.





# artist studio tours

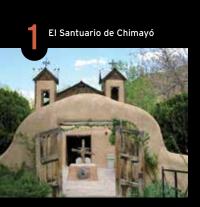
The annual Artist Studio Tours in Santa Fe County introduce you to painters, potters, jewelry makers and many other artists who you'll often find working in their studios. Learn about the

their studios. Learn ab 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.







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# 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 citvwide 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 ioin 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. Eniov 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 eniov 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, timehonored 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 worldclass event, offering five days and nights of 50 feature films, 75 indie films, parties, panels and other film fun. Festival quests 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, longdistanced 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 world wide 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 vour 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.



# lodging

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 aubergeresorts.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/ojosantafe

#### Rancho Jacona

A guest ranch on a 17<sup>th</sup> 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 ecoretreat 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 handbuilt 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 safaristyle 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 hook ups, 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/finda-park/hyde-memorialstate-park

KitFox



# 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 avocadobased 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 izakayainspired 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.

**INSIDER TIP** New Mexico's areen 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.

# 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





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 housemade 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 redsage-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

#### Sopaipilla Factory Restaurant

7 West Gutierrez Street Santa Fe, NM 87506 505.455.2855 sopaipillafactory restaurant.com

#### 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/

# Tumbleroot Brewery

#### and Distillery

santafe/dining

2797 Agua Fria Santa Fe, NM 87507 505.393.5135 tumblerootbreweryand distillery.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/ojosanta-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/santafe-south

#### Eldorado Coffee Corral

La Tienda Eldorado 7 Caliente Road, Unit A4 Santa Fe, NM 87508 505.466.3510 eldoradocoffeecorral.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 Iepommierbistro.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 turguoisetrail.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 Sana 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 tumblerootbrewery anddistillery.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

#### <mark>Santa Fe Western</mark> Adventures 68 Bonanza Creek Road

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







# 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 santafejeeptours.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

Gryphon Renaissance Helicopters

#### 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

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