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Take a tour of the famous red rocks and rejuvenating wellness spots with our photo guide to Sedona

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Sedona is made for outdoor adventures, with rugged terrain and expansive desert vistas just waiting to be explored. But that's not all. The city is also known for its spiritual vortex sites, beckoning visitors to explore a holistic journey of self-discovery through treatments at luxurious spa facilities.

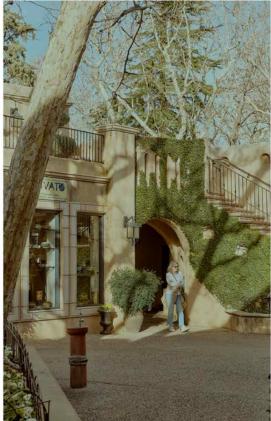


With four major vortex sites, Sedona is a spiritual wonderland for those seeking deeper meaning. Feel the healing energy of the city at the iconic Chapel of the Holy Cross, built into the stunning red rocks.













 $Built\ in\ the\ style\ of\ a\ Mexican\ Village, Thaquepaque\ Arts\ \&\ Shopping\ Village\ is\ a\ characterful\ place\ to\ shop\ for\ jewelry,\ art\ and\ traditional\ ceramics\ in\ charming\ shops\ linked\ by\ cobbled\ walkways\ and\ colonnades.$ 











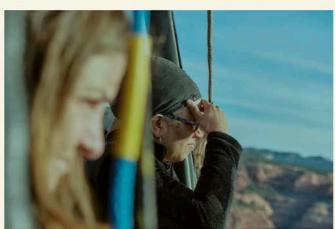


Local foodies head to Elote Cafe for its inventive, Mexico-meets-Arizona menu, which is crafted from local, organic produce. Highlights include the lamb adobo and the tomato and nopales salad.





For a bird's-eye view of Sedona's red rock formations, buttes, mountains and juniper forests, take a hot-air balloon ride with Red Rock Balloons. You'll have to rise before dawn to greet the sunrise from above, but the magnificent views are well worth the early morning wake-up call.























Dine at Mariposa Latin Inspired Grill — one of six restaurants owned by local chef and restaurateur Lisa Dahl — to enjoy the taste and intoxicating aroma of its central, wood-fired grill. You'll enjoy South American-inspired dishes, including ceviche and handmade empanadas, served with picture-perfect views across the desert.







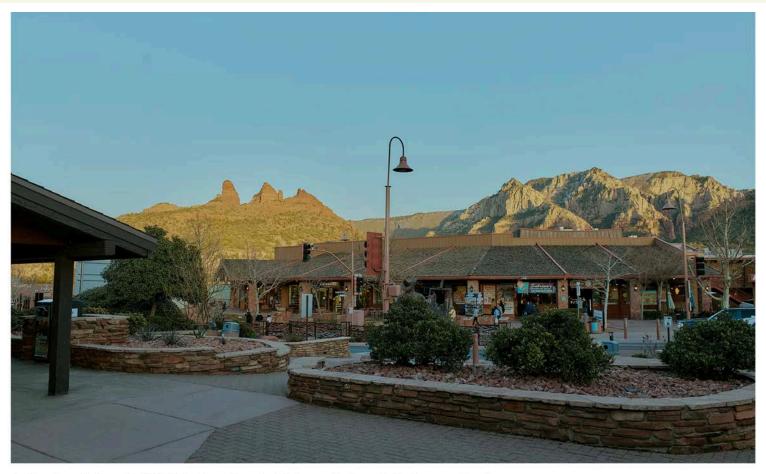
No Sedona vacation is complete without a tour around its red rock spires and arid desert landscapes. Chicken Point is a perfect spot to admire views of the area's two state parks and over 1.8 million acres (nearly 7,300 square kilometers) of national forest, meaning there's plenty to discover whether you hike, bike or kayak.







A yoga hike is a nourishing way to tap into the area's beauty and healing energy. Down Dog Sedona offers group and private tours, and will transport you to safe and scenic places to practice in some of the area's most beautiful spots.



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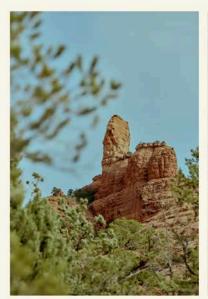


Sedona's creative atmosphere is a lure for artists and artisans, among them Michael Gibson, who opened Appaloosa Trading Co here in 2020. You can watch the leathersmith at work as he creates an array of belts, handbags and accessories, all made in the traditional styles of the American Southwest.















The Verde River is a wildlife paradise. Keep your eye out for local flora and fauna, including great blue herons, hawks, bald eagles and coyotes. Or cool off on the river by kayak, stand-up paddleboard or tube.

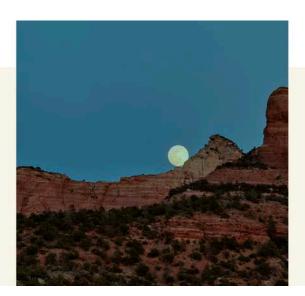






A winemaking region since the 17th century, Arizona's Verde Valley offers various estate vineyards and small production wineries for visitors to enjoy. The high altitude, volcanic soil and mild winters combine to help create impressive reds like syrah, merlot and cabernet. Take a wine tour and tasting at one of the vineyards like Page Springs Cellar where you can savor the region's terroir.

Don't miss the chance to be outside at dusk. There's something soulful and restoring about peacefully watching a luminous white moon rising serenely above Sedona's ethereal red-hued landscape.



## Where to Stay



## Ridge on Sedona, a Hilton Vacation Club

Discover the perfect escape at Ridge on Sedona, a Hilton Vacation Club, which offers dramatic views of the Southwestern landscape. This property provides an idyllic retreat with resort-style amenities — a luxe pool, fitness center and a nearby 18-hole golf course — as well as a comfortable base to explore the area. Studios have kitchenettes, while the 1- and 2-Bedroom Suites feature full kitchens and laundry facilities for your convenience. Set in the village of Oak Creek, a 15-minute drive from Sedona, it's an ideal choice for those seeking adventure or simply a relaxing wellness getaway.

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