

What Not To Miss In New Mexico

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- Memorial Day Pow WoW**— Pueblo of Jemez approximately 50 miles northwest of Albuquerque, at
- Pueblo of Jemez.** (505) 834-7235
www.jemezpuueblo.org
- Explora! Science Center & Children's Museum of Albuquerque**— Hands on exhibits, creative activities that encourage discovery in science, technology and art. 1701 Mountain Rd. Albuquerque. www.explora.mus.nm.us
- Cliff's Amusement Park**— Roller coasters, including N.M.'s first super coaster, children's rides, waterpark, games, gifts. Group and birthday rates. 4800 Osuna NE Albuquerque. www.cliffsamusementpark.com
- Old Town**— Historic district with gift shops, restaurants, galleries, San Felipe de Neri Church. South of I-40 from Rio Grand Blvd. Exit. 5 miles west of downtown Albuquerque. www.albuquerqueoldtown.com
- Lodestar Astronomy Center**— State of the art Planetarium, Virtual Voyages™ motion simulator, Observatory, exhibit galleries, and StarWorks™. In the New Mexico Museum of Natural History & Science in Albuquerque's Old Town.
- The Beach Waterpark**— 700,000 gallon wave pool, a quarter mile "Lazy River", a children's play area, two inner-tube slides and 5 body slides. In Albuquerque
- Sandia Peak Tramway**— 11,000 sq. mile panoramic view of NM form the World's longest Tramway. Albuquerque
- The Albuquerque Aquarium**— Moray eel cave, shark tank; exhibits trace Rio Grande water from Rockies to Gulf Coast. 2601 Central NW, Albuquerque. www.cabq.gov/biopark
- Hinkle Family Fun Center**: Laser tag, go-carts, miniature golf, virtual reality, bumper boats/cars, climbing wall, paintball, arcade, parties. 13931 Indian School NE Albuquerque. www.hinklefamilyfuncenter.com
- Hot Air Balloon Rides**— Professional pilots offering Balloon Rides. www.privateballoonflights.com
www.rainbowryders.com
www.bipsnm.com
- National Atomic Museum**— Atom bomb story, military exhibits, peaceful uses of technology. 1905 Mountain Rd. NW. Albuquerque. www.atomicmuseum.com
- Blue Hole**— Natural, 81 ft. deep, crystal clear artesian spring. Year-round scuba diving. In Santa Rosa. (505) 472-3370
- Cardinal Motor Speedway**— IMCA car racing, In Eunice, Sat nights, 8pm, April-Sept (505) 394-3203
www.cardinalmotorspeedway.com
- McCall's Pumpkin Patch**— Hayrides, pumpkin picking, corn maze, pony rides, pig race. Seasonal hours. 34 McCall's Lane. in Moriarty.
www.McCallPumpkinPatch.com
- Romero's Thunder Inc.**— Horseback riding lessons, trailrides to Sandia Mountains foothills, day rides to Cabezon Peak area, kids programs, multiday camps, overnight/daylong activities, arts and crafts. In Bernalillo. www.romerosthunder.com
- Badlands BMX**— Bicycle motocross. On Morris Rd. off N.M. 314 in Los Lunas.
- Sandia Man Cave**— Evidence of ancient man found here. Self guided hike. Off N.M 165 in Sandia Mountains east of Placitas.
- Folsom Museum**— Displays of Folsom Man (ca. 12,000 B.C.), replicas of Folsom spear points excavated in 1920's. Open Mon-Fri, Memorial Day thru Labor Day, weekends in May thru Sept, rest of the year by appointment. In Folsom, 10 miles north of Capulin (505) 2782122 or (505) 278-3616
www.folsommuseum.netfirms.com
- The Mandala Center**— Outdoor labyrinth, historic Shrine of San Lorenzo memorializes local homesteader; worldwide art, furnishings. Tours by appt. 2.5 miles west of Des Moines via U.S. 87/U.S. 64
www.mandaalacenter.org
- Elizabethtown**— Ghost town. Museum, is a original 1860's building. 5 miles north of Eagle Nest via N.M 38. (505) 377-3420
- Eagle Nest Marina & Mountain View Cabins**— Boat rentals, tackle, hunting/fishing licenses, guided ATV & snowmobile trips. www.cti-excursions.com
- Smokey Bear Historical Park**— Visitor center, Smokey's grave. 118 Smokey Bear Blvd. in Capitan. (505) 354-2748. www.smokeybearpark.com
- Trinity Site**— Site of first atomic explosion on July 16, 1945. Only open 1st sat. of April and Oct. 60 miles northwest of Alamogordo via U.S. 70 on White Sands Missile Range. Caravan, individual travel available. (800) 826-0294 or (505) 437-6120
- White Sands National Monument**— World's largest deposit of gypsum sand. 17 Miles southwest of Alamogordo via U.S. 70. Closed Christmas day. (505) 437-8284. www.nmparks.com
- N.M. Museum of Space History**— International Space Hall of Fame, Clyde W. Tombaugh IMAX Dome Theater/Planetarium, John P. Stapp Air/Space Park, Astronaut Memorial Garden, Hubbard Space Science Education Bldg., Shuttle Camp Program. Outdoor display of restored Daisy Track, once use to test human body's tolerant to G-forces with air gun, water brake, 4 original sleds. End of N.M. 2001 above college campus (east of Scenic Dr.) in Alamogordo (877) 333-6589, or (505) 437-2840. www.spacefame.org
www.nmspacemuseum.org
- Taos Ski Valley**— www.taosskivalley.com
- Carlsbad Caverns National Park**— World Heritage Site, one of largest caves in the world. Walking, caving, elevators, tours. Dusk bat flights, May—mid Oct. 27 miles south of Carlsbad on U.S. 60/180 (505) 785-2232. www.nps.gov/cave
- Ski Cloudcroft**— 2 miles east of Cloudcroft on U.S. 82 (505) 682-2333. www.couldcroft.net
- Casel-Land Fun Center**— Intersection of U.S. 60/84 and N.M 467 in Clovis (505) 742-1356
- Hillcrest Park/Zoo**— State's 2nd largest zoo. Tennis, basketball, volleyball, baseball, softball, soccer, picnicking, golf course. 10th and Sycamore in Clovis (505) 769-7873
- Billy the Kid Museum**— Historic relics, Kid Memorabilia. 1601 E Sumner Ave. Fort Sumner (505) 355-2380. www.billythekidmuseumfortsumner.com
- Blackwater Draw Archaeological Site**— First occupied by Clovis people about 11,000 years ago. Museum: 5 miles Northeast of Portales on U.S. 70 (505) 562-2202. Site: 5 miles north of Portales on N.M. 467. (505) 356-5235.
www.enmu.deu/academics/excellence/museums/natural-history/index.shtml
- Alien Zone**— Area 51 room with alien picture-taking props, blacklight space city, and gift shop. 216 N Main St. Roswell (505) 627-6982
- Zone II**— Hanger 84 (secret alien laboratory), alien merchandise. 106 S Main St. Roswell. (505) 627-6060
- Mescalero Sands North Dunes OHV Area**— Motorcycling, quad cycles. East of Roswell off U.S. 380. Information 2909 W. 2nd St. (505) 627-0272
- Roswell Live-A Musical Revue**— Based on 1947 UFO incident. Live production under stars, June—Sept. Outdoor amphitheater at Grand/E. College Blvd in Roswell. (505) 623-4056. www.jprog.com/roswell/
- Inn of the Mountain Gods Resort & Casino**— Las Vegas style gaming, golf, Mescalero-Apache guided big-game hunts, horseback riding, camping, hiking, fishing In Ruidoso. (505) 464-4100, (505) 464-4494, or (877) 277-5677. www.innofthemountainaingods.com
- Ski Apache**— 55 Runs, 11 chairlifts. Full-service ski school, lessons in Alpine skiing/snowboarding. Beginners ski free with purchase of lesson. At end of N.M. 532 near Ruidoso (505) 336-4356, snow phone: (505) 257-9001. www.skiapache.com
- Sertoma Auto Speedway**— Racing Friadays from April—Sept.; gates open at 6pm, racing begins at dusk. Motocross Sept-April, races 2nd Sun., practice 4th Sun., gates open at 6am, racing starts at 9am. 4 miles north of Tularosa (505) 585-8662
- Balloon Rides in Taos**— www.puebloballoon.com
www.taosballooning.com